

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Students starting with class of 2028 will have new state mandated graduation requirements that are detailed below the current graduation requirements of classes through 2027. Those new requirements (2028) are in bold below the current requirements.

Students will be certified for graduation from Pratt High School upon completion of the following requirements:

- I. With a 7 period schedule a student can earn as many as 29 credits over the course of four years (7.25 per year). All students need to earn 24 credits, including the state required credit components to graduate from Pratt High School.
 - A. Credits earned during summer school may not be used to satisfy the graduation credit requirements, except to make up credits lost due to failure, sickness, or new students moving into the district with less than posted PHS requirements.
- II. Satisfactory completion in the following areas:
 - A. Four (4) units of English Language Arts, which shall include:
 - *One (1) English I credit
 - *One (1) English II credit (Adv. English students must substitute 1 credit of English Electives)
 - *One (1) English III credit
 - *One-half (.5) Composition credit
 - *One-half (.5) Literature credit
 - B. Mathematics requirements: Three (3) Mathematics credits.
 - C. One (1) unit of Physical Education.
 - D. Science Requirements: Three (3) credits of Science.
 - E. Three (3) units of Social Science in the following areas:
 1. One (1) unit of American History
 2. One-half (.5) unit of American Government
 3. One-half (.5) unit of World History
 4. One-half (.5) of Economics
 5. One-half (.5) of Geography
 - F. One-half (.5) unit of Computer Studies (Transitions will fulfill this requirement).
 - G. One (1) Fine Arts credit from the following list:
 1. Any Art Course
 2. Any Music or Band Course
 3. Forensics
 4. Multimedia
 5. Architectural Drawing
 - H. Eight (8.5) elective credits.

New Graduation Requirements for Class of 2028

4 credits are still required in English, but .5 must be in Communications (speech, debate, forensics, journalism, public speaking,)

There is a change from one full credit of P.E. to .5 credit of P.E. and .5 credit of Health.

Must have .5 credit in Financial Literacy

Must have 1.0 credit in a STEM elective (Technical or Application level CTE courses, Physics, Calculus, College Algebra, Advanced Level Math/Science 4th yr only.)

Must complete 2 Postsecondary Assets:

Youth Apprenticeships

40 or more Community Service hours

Client-centered Projects

Workplace learning experience directly related to a student IPS

Industry-Recognized Certifications

Seal of Biliteracy

ACT Composite (Score of 21 or higher)

WorkKeys Level (Silver or higher) KSDE

9+ College hours

State Assessment scores of 3 or 4 for Math, ELA, Science (demonstrating College Readiness)

ASVAB per requirements of military branch selected

SAT score (1200 or higher)

Completing Board of Regents Curriculum

Advanced Placement Exam (3+)

CTE Scholar

Eagle Scout or Gold Scout

4-H Kansas Key Award

Two or more high school athletics/activities (counts as one)

90% attendance in high school

Senior Exit Interview/Senior Projects

- III. To participate in graduation exercises a student must have completed all graduation requirements by 4pm on the last day for seniors to attend. Additionally, the student must have paid all fines, fees and any other financial obligations to the district or school also, by 4pm on the last day for seniors to attend to participate in commencement. The student must not be under suspension or expulsion at the time of graduation. Students must be in good standing and not owe any time from detention, AHD or any other form of discipline consequence to take part in the graduation ceremony.
- IV. Students transferring to Pratt High from a school not accredited by the state of Kansas, or the student's respective home state (e.g. Home-School, On-Line School, etc), must complete 13 credits through Pratt High (Including two credits of math, two credits of English/Language Arts, one credit of science and one credit of social science including government) AND provide appropriate transcript documentation of said unaccredited work (samples or test outs may be required for proof of coverage) covering the other credit requirements to graduate with a Pratt High Diploma. To be considered for top 10 percent of class and/or Valedictorian/ Salutatorian honors, all 24 credits must be from an accredited source. **Starting with the class of 2030 the Valedictorian/Salutatorian must meet the requirements for the Greenback Scholars Diploma, if there are no candidates meeting that then the Val/Sal will come from the Honors Diploma, if none meet that then the Traditional Diploma.**

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