

Graduation Requirements

A diploma will be awarded to high school students in Platte County School District #2 once they have met the requirements as specified in this policy meaning they have earned the number of high school credits needed for completion of the high school curriculum.

A student must demonstrate proficiency in the following courses to earn credit. Proficiency in PCSD#2 is based on successful performance on an outcome, including but not limited to a standard grade based upon the current grading scale and or the demonstration of proficiency in the subject area priority standards as defined by the curriculum and state standards.

Students who have not met requirements for graduation as listed in this policy, but who have attended school regularly and have worked diligently may upon recommendation of the principal be granted a Certificate of Attendance.

Students who do not meet the district's requirements for graduation due to a program modification outlined in a resource program IEP will receive the Platte County School District #2 diploma which stipulates that they have completed an alternative course of study, provided all the requirements of the modified program have been met.

A completed graduation plan will be designed to achieve the student's goals and will receive input from the student, the students' parents/guardians and the school staff. Plans will be reviewed annually. Plans may be altered if a student is not on track to graduate or at the request of the student, and or parent/guardian if approved by the school administration.

1. All students must carry at least seven (7) classes per semester and be in attendance eight (8) semesters. Exceptions to these requirements may be made by the Board of Trustees upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools.

*Any student meeting the requirements of the **Hathaway Honors Scholarship** will be awarded an Honors Diploma.

Below are the minimum credit requirements for graduation from PCSD #2:

| Credit Requirements | The following courses meet credit requirements. (alternate courses, which meet the same standards, and have been approved by the Board, may be substituted) |
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| 4 English | Eng. 1/Eng.2/Eng. 3/ Eng. 4 and or College English 1010,2020 |
| 3 Math | Alg. 1, Geometry, Algebra 2, Precalculus, Calculus, College Math 920/930, College Math 1400 |
| 3 Science (1 must be life science and 1 must be physical science) | Biology, Physical Science, Anatomy Physiology, Biology2, Physics |
| 3 Social Studies (1 must be American History and 1 must be Government/Economics) | World History, American History, Government/Economics |
| 1 Physical Education | PE, Weights, Lifetime Sports, etc. |
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| Electives: 12 credits of unspecified electives | |
| 26 Credits Total | |
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- Transfer students must have completed all the requirements above and must have been in attendance at Guernsey-Sunrise High School for at least one full semester prior to graduation.

These changes are in effect for the class of 2021 as per state statute.

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