

Series 6000 - Curricular & Academic Matters
Academic Credits and Graduation

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Graduation from Holt County School District No. 7 will be made on the recommendations of the principal and superintendent of schools, provided the student has attended an accredited or approved high school (grades 10-12), for a minimum of two years with the final semesters's credit being earned in this school district and passed all the required subjects. Any exceptions to this policy must be brought before the board of education for special consideration.

The following credits are required for graduation beginning with the Class of 2023-2024

Activity	5 credits
Computer Applications	5 credits
Electives	90 credits
English	40 credits
Financial Literacy (Personal Finance)	5 credits
Mathematics	30 credits
Physical Education	10 credits
Science	30 credits
Speech	5 credits
Social Science*	30 credits

**which must include: World History; 19th Century U.S History;
20th Century U.S. History/Am. Gov't.*

Total Credits needed for Graduation 250 credits

The following credits are required for graduation beginning with the Class of 2025-2026

Activity	5 credits
Computer Science	5 credits
Electives	90 credits
English	40 credits
Financial Literacy (Personal Finance)	5 credits
Mathematics	30 credits
Physical Education	10 credits
Science	30 credits
Speech	5 credits
Social Science*	30 credits

**which must include: World History; 19th Century U.S History;
20th Century U.S. History/Am. Gov't.*

Total Credits needed for Graduation 250 credits

A student who wishes to graduate early must meet all graduation requirements applicable to their school program, and shall file a written request, which includes written parental approval, with school officials. The student will meet with the superintendent of school and the secondary principal to discuss his or her reasons for requesting to graduate early, the advantages and disadvantages, and the school's policies affecting early graduation. (The parents or a guardian are encouraged to attend this meeting.) At the discretion of school administration, students aged 18 or older may not be required to obtain parental permission for early graduation.

If all graduation requirements have been met, the superintendent will forward the student's written request and if appropriate the parental approval to the board of education for the board's approval.

A student who graduates early from the Regular High School Program will be given his or her diploma at the January meeting of the board of education and will not participate in any further school activities, including prom (unless attending as a date or a currently enrolled student eligible to attend prom) or commencement exercise held for his or her classmates.

Graduation Requirements - Early Graduation

Alternative Education Program Course Requirements

Computer Science	5 credits
Electives	60 credits
English	40 credits
Financial Literacy (Personal Finance)	5 credits
Mathematics	30 credits
Physical Education	10 credits
Science	30 credits
Speech	5 credits
Social Science*	30 credits

*which must include: World History; 19th Century U.S History;
20th Century U.S. History/Am. Gov't.

Total Credits Needed for Graduation 215

A student attending the Alternative Education Program may discontinue attendance upon completion of all required credits for graduation, unless they want to participate in commencement exercises with their class. In that case, they must continue attendance at the Alternative Education Program until the commencement exercises. Those not wanting to go through commencement exercises with their class will be issued their diploma at the January or May meeting of the board of education and will not participate in any further school activities, including but not limited to, the prom or commencement exercise held for his or her classmates.