

StudentsGraduation Procedures and CeremoniesRequirements for Graduation from Paramount and Michelson High Schools

(Class of 1986)

1. Satisfactory completion of the District Proficiency Examination in the areas of Mathematics, Reading, and Composition (Written Expression)
2. Satisfactory completion of a minimum of 200 credits including the following specific requirements:

English	3 years	(30 credits)
Mathematics	1 year	(10 credits)
Science	1 semester	(5 credits)
Social Studies	3-1/2 years	(35 credits)
Physical Education	2 years	(20 credits)
Electives	-	(100 credits)

- a. Students may choose not to take an English class during the Senior Year only if the Reading and Composition sections of the Proficiency Examination have been satisfactorily completed.
- b. Students who have completed twenty (20) credits of Physical Education courses and have completed 10th grade are exempt from taking additional Physical Education classes.
- c. Students who have not satisfactorily completed the Computation section of the Proficiency Examination must remain enrolled in General Math or Consumer Math until such time as the Math section is passed or a waiver from further Math remediation is signed by the parent. Such students may not enroll in advanced Math courses unless a waiver is signed by the parent.
- d. Students who have not satisfactorily completed the Reading and/or Writing sections of the Proficiency Examinations must remain enrolled in Reading Development and/or Proficiency English until such time as the Reading and/or Writing sections are passed or a waiver from further Reading and/or Writing remediation is signed by the parent. Such students may not enroll in advanced English courses unless a waiver is signed by the parent.
- e. A maximum of forty (40) credits in any one subject area will be counted toward graduation. All courses taken in lieu of Physical Education will be considered Physical Education.

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- f. All students fulfilling all academic and citizenship requirements, who have no outstanding debts, and have submitted verified proof of completion of all requirements to the principal by 9:30 a.m. on the Friday prior to graduation will be able to participate in the commencement ceremony.

(Class of 1987)

- i. Satisfactory completion of a minimum of 210 credits including the following specific requirements:

English	3-1/2 years	(35 credits)
Mathematics	2 years	(20 credits)
Science	2 years	(20 credits)
Social Studies	3-1/2 years	(35 credits)
Physical Education	2 years	(20 credits)
Fine Arts/Foreign Language	1 year	(10 credits)
Electives		(70 credits)

- a. Students may choose not to take an English class during the second semester of the Senior Year only if the Reading and Composition sections of the Proficiency Examination have been satisfactorily completed.
- b. Students who have completed twenty (20) credits of Physical Education courses and have completed 10th grade are exempt from taking additional Physical Education classes. The 2nd year of Physical Education may be deferred until grade 11 or grade 12 with counselor approval.
- c. The Fine Arts/Foreign Language requirement may be met by taking either the (10) credits of Foreign Language or ten (10) credits in any of the following courses: any Music Dept. course, Photography, Architectural Drawing (Industrial Drawing III & IV), Drama, Art, Crafts, or Home Furnishings Home Arts.
- d. The Mathematics requirement may be met by completion of twenty (20) credits in Mathematics Dept. or by completion of ten (10) credits in the Mathematics Dept. and ten (10) credits in Accounting or Recordkeeping. Students who have not satisfactorily completed the Computation (Math) section of the Proficiency Examination must remain enrolled in General Math or Consumer Math until such time as the Math section is passed or a waiver from further math remediation is signed by the parent. Such students may not enroll in advanced math courses unless a waiver is signed by the parent.

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- e. Students who have not satisfactorily completed the Reading and/or Writing sections of the Proficiency Examinations must remain enrolled in Reading Development and/or Proficiency English until such time as the Reading and/or Writing Sections are passed or a waiver from further Reading and/or Writing remediation is signed by the parent. Such students may not enroll in advanced English courses unless a waiver is signed by the parent.
- f. A maximum of forty (40) credits in any one subject area will be counted toward graduation. All courses taken in lieu of Physical Education will be considered Physical Education.
- g. All students fulfilling all academic and citizenship requirements, who have no outstanding debts, and have submitted verified proof of completion of all requirements to the principal by 9:30 a.m. on the Friday prior to graduation will be able to participate in the commencement ceremony.

(Class of 1988 & Subsequent Classes)

1. Satisfactory completion of the District Proficiency Examination in the areas of Mathematics, Reading, and Composition (Written Expression).
2. Satisfactory completion of minimum of 220 credits including the following specific requirements:

English	3-1/2 years	(35 credits)
Mathematics	2 years	(20 credits)
Science	2 years	(20 credits)
Social Studies	3 years	(30 credits)
Physical Education	2 years	(20 credits)
Fine Arts/Foreign Language	1 year	(10 credits)
Electives		(85 credits)

- a. Students may choose not to take an English class during the second semester of the Senior Year only if the Reading and Composition sections of the Proficiency Examination have been satisfactorily completed.
- b. Students who have completed twenty (20) credits of Physical Education courses and have completed 10th grade are exempt from taking additional Physical Education classes.

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- c. The Fine Arts/Foreign Language requirement may be met by taking either ten (10) credits of Foreign Language or ten (10) credits in any of the following courses: any Music Department course, Photography, Architectural Drawing (Industrial Drawing III & IV), Drama, Art, Crafts, or Home Furnishings/Home Arts.
- d. The Mathematics requirement may be met by completion of twenty (20) credits in Mathematics Dept. or by completion of ten (10) credits in the Mathematics Dept. and ten (10) credits in Accounting or Recordkeeping. Students who have not satisfactorily completed the Computation (Math) section of the Proficiency Examination must remain enrolled in General Math or Consumer Math until such time as the Math section is passed or a waiver from further Math remediation is signed by the parent. Such students may not enroll in advanced math courses unless a waiver is signed by the parent.
- e. Students who have not satisfactorily completed the Reading and/or Writing sections of the Proficiency Examinations must remain enrolled in Reading Development and/or Proficiency English until such time as the Reading and/or Writing sections are passed or a waiver from further Reading and/or Writing remediation is signed by the parent. Such students may not enroll in advanced English courses unless a waiver is signed by the parent.
- f. A maximum of forty (40) credits in any one subject area will be counted toward graduation. All courses taken in lieu of Physical Education will be considered Physical Education.
- g. All students fulfilling all academic and citizenship requirements, who have no outstanding debts, and have submitted verified proof of completion of all requirements to the principal by 9:30 a.m. on the Friday prior to graduation will be able to participate in the commencement ceremony.

Temporary or Permanent Exemption From Physical Education

The governing board shall grant temporary exemption to a student from courses in Physical Education if the student is:

1. Ill or injured, and a modified program to meet the needs of the student cannot be provided: or

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2. Enrolled for one-half, or less, of the work normally required of full-time student.

The board shall grant permanent exemption from courses in Physical Education if the student:

1. Has satisfactorily completed 20 credits of Physical Education courses; and
2. Has completed the 10th grade; or
3. Is 16 years of age or older and has been enrolled in the 10th grade for one academic year or longer; or
4. Is enrolled as a postgraduate student.

All courses taken in lieu of Physical Education shall be counted as Physical Education credit. Physical Education courses shall not be taken to make up non-Physical Education courses.

No student exempted from Physical Education courses shall be permitted to attend fewer total hours of courses and classes if he elects not to enroll in a Physical Education course than he would have attended if he had elected to enroll in a Physical Education course.
(Ed. Code 51241)