

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Students graduating from Homewood High School shall meet the requirements for graduation prescribed by the State Legislature, the State Board of Education, and the Homewood Board of Education. In order to graduate from Homewood High School and earn a high school diploma, students must successfully complete any state required exam and earn the required credits as outlined for a Homewood High School Diploma or a Homewood High School Diploma with an Advanced Academic Endorsement. A Seal of Distinction will be awarded to those students receiving Carnegie Unit credit for at least 3 Advanced Placement courses and completing the Advanced Placement exams associated with those courses.

Student participation in graduation ceremonies and related graduation activities will be subject to the principal's approval and payment of outstanding financial obligations. Participation in a graduation-related ceremony may be prohibited by the principal if the student violates disciplinary standards or if, in the judgment of the principal, the student's participation could lead or contribute to disorder or disruption of the ceremony or activity.

A student must have completed all requirements for high school graduation or a certificate of completion in order to participate in the graduation ceremonies as a member of the graduating class.

NOTE:

For mathematics, minimum coursework is Algebra I, Geometry, and Algebra II. Algebra I taken in the eighth grade counts toward the Carnegie unit requirements for graduation but does not count in the student's GPA. A minimum of four (4) math courses must be taken in grades 9 through 12.

To earn a **Homewood High School Diploma with an Advanced Academic Endorsement**, a student must choose to take Algebra II with Trigonometry, two years of the same World Language, and earn one additional credit for a total of 25 credits.

To receive a **Seal of Distinction** student must earn Carnegie Unit credit for at least 3 Advanced Placement courses and complete the Advanced Placement exams associated with those courses.

Credit Recovery and Repeated Credits

The Superintendent will establish procedures to regulate credit recovery programs and the posting of repeated credits on high school transcripts.

Credit Advancement

The Superintendent will establish procedures for credit advancement based on demonstration of mastery.

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