

## **B. Graduation Requirements GDA**

- 4 units of English
- 3 units of Mathematics
- 3 units of Social Studies including 1 unit POD, 1 unit U.S. History, 1 unit of a Social Studies elective
- 3 units of Science including Physical Science and Biology
- 3 units of: 1) Foreign Languages; 2) Fine Arts; or 3) Career and Technical Education Courses
- One unit of Physical Education or ½ unit of PE and ½ unit of Health
- Any 5 additional units
- A total of at least 22 units
- Must be ND Choice Ready\* as Defined by the North Dakota Department of Public Instruction (starting with the Class of 2025)
- All requirements for graduation must be completed before the date of graduation in order for a student to participate in the graduation exercises.

Any senior involved with a correspondence class must complete the course or courses by May 15 to count for graduation.

All students must attend eight (8) semesters of school in grades 9-12 before graduating. Exceptions must be approved by the Montpelier School Board after being requested by the student and the student's parent(s).

Any student that will not be ND Choice Ready by the date of graduation can apply for an exemption to the requirement by petitioning the high school principal. The request will be heard by a staff committee consisting of 4 teachers and the high school principal. The committee will consider the student's dedication and ability to achieve ND Choice Ready standards when deciding to approve or deny the request.

An IEP may lessen graduation requirements provided the student still meets North Dakota State requirements.

\*ND Choice Ready information is found at the following address:

<https://www.nd.gov/dpi/districtschools/essa/elements/choice-ready>

**End Montpelier Public School District Graduation Requirements .....Amended: 9-14-2022**