

Obion County Board of Education

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1 To meet the requirements for graduation, a student shall have attained an approved attendance, conduct
2 and subject matter record which covers a planned program of education, and such record shall be kept
3 on file in the high school.

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5 The program of studies shall include areas and content in these areas within State Board of Education
6 Regulations and shall be flexible enough to facilitate progress from one stage of development to another,
7 thus providing for more effective student adjustment.

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9 The pattern of courses which shall be required of all students in grades nine (9) through twelve (12)
10 shall be in accordance with the Rules and Regulations of the State Board of Education and the Board
11 of Education.

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13 Before graduation, every student shall [1] achieve specified units of credit; [2] pass the required com-
14 petency tests or make passing scores on the required gateway tests (English II, Algebra I and Biology);¹
15 and [3] an opportunity to take an exit exam to assess readiness for the work place or higher education.
16 (ACT, SAT or Work Keys) ²

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18 Special education students who successfully complete their Individualized Educational Program (IEP) and
19 pass the required competency test or the required gateway tests shall be awarded a regular diploma. If
20 the student does not attain a minimum score on the competency or gateway test, he/she shall be awarded
21 a special education diploma upon graduation.³

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23 Students who have completed all graduation requirements will be awarded a regular diploma; students
24 who complete all graduation requirements but who have not passed the proficiency test will be awarded
25 a certificate of attendance.³

26 STUDENT LOAD

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28 All students in grades nine (9) through twelve (12) shall be enrolled each semester in subjects that will
29 produce a minimum of three (3) units toward graduation requirements. Hardships, including "career"
30 athletes, or gifted cases may be appealed by the student to the director of schools with further appeal
31 to the Board.⁴

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33 Credits required for graduation shall be as follows:

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35 For the 2009-2010 school year, 23 credits shall be required to receive a diploma.
36 For the 2010-2011 school year, 24 credits shall be required to receive a diploma.
37 For the 2011-2012 school year, 25 credits shall be required to receive a diploma.
38 For the 2012-2013 school year and thereafter, 26 credits shall be required to receive a diploma.

39 Legal References:

- 40 1. TCA 49-6-6001;TRR/MS 0520-1-3-.06
41 2. TRR/MS0520-1-3-.06(3)
42 3. TRR/MS 0520-1-3-.06(1)(d)
4. TRR/MS 0520-1-3-.03(6)

Cross References:

- Basic Curriculum Program 4.201
Class Ranking 4.602