

Wilson County Board of Education

Policy Description:

Early Graduation from High School

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1 A student who meets all graduation requirements as established by the State of Tennessee and the Wilson
2 County School Board may graduate early (fewer than eight (8) terms in attendance) by meeting the guidelines
3 for early exit to post-secondary or early exit through hardship.

4 5 **THE CRITERIA FOR EARLY EXIT TO POST-SECONDARY EDUCATION**

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7 1. A student must complete a "Declaration of Early Graduation" form prior to his/her final year. It shall be
8 signed by the student, parent/guardian, counselor, and principal and returned to the guidance office by
9 May 1st of said year.
- 10 2. The student must have a minimum unweighted GPA of 3.5.
- 11 3. The student must have taken the ACT and have a minimum score of 25 prior to submitting the
12 "Declaration of Early Graduation form. The student must complete four (4) units of math prior to
13 graduation.
- 14 4. The student must meet one (1) of the following:
- 15 • Be enrolled in a college or university with no deficiencies, or
 - 16 • Be enrolled in a full time certificate program at a community college/technical school, or
 - 17 • Be accepted into a full time Department of Labor approved apprenticeship program.

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19 The student must complete all class work and exams on the regular high school schedule. NOTE: The student
20 and parent/guardian must make arrangements with the college/university if terms overlap.

21 22 **THE CRITERIA FOR EARLY EXIT THROUGH HARDSHIP**

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24 To comply with the Early Exit Through Hardship option, the student must submit a request in writing and provide
25 the requested documentation to a review team for approval. The review team will consist of a high school
26 principal/assistant principal, a high school counselor, a high school teacher (selected by the home school
27 principal), and a secondary supervisor.

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EARLY GRADUATION DETAILS

1. The student's official date of graduation will be the last day of the term in which he/she meets all graduation requirements.
2. As a graduate, he/she will forfeit the right to participate in student activities (i.e., sports, prom (except as a guest of a full time student), etc.).
3. The students will be permitted to participate in graduation ceremonies at the end of the school year provided that he/she participates in practice activities as required by the school.



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