

School District of Lodi  
**Graduation Requirements**

**No. 345.6**

- (A) 12-12-83
- (R) 7-10-89
- (R) 1-14-91
- (R) 12-14-92
- (R) 10-10-94
- (R) 1-8-96
- (R) 5-19-97
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- (R) 7-14-03
- (R) 2-9-04
- (R) 7-26-05
- (R) 4-11-11
- (R) 9-10-12
- (R) 12-8-14
- (R) 2-8-16

A. **Graduation Requirements**

Total credits to graduate .....24.0

B. Credits earned through educational options other than attendance in Lodi Schools will be applicable as outlined in Policy No. 343.42, 420 and 424 (i.e., Post-Secondary options, alternative programs and/or home-based education programs).

C. In order to receive a Lodi High School diploma a student must take and pass the State Mandated Civics Exam prior to graduation. Special education students must take the exam, but are exempt from this requirement if they do not pass.

D. **Academic Requirements**

Academic requirements shall be:

1. 4.0 credits of social studies
  - 1.0 credit Human Geography
  - 1.0 credit World History
  - 1.0 credit U.S. History
  - 0.5 credit Government and Social Issues
  - 0.5 credit Social Studies Electives
  
2. 4.0 credits of Integrated Language Arts
  - 1.0 credit English 9
  - 1.0 credit English 10
  - 1.0 credit English 11 or American Literature 11
  - 0.5 Oral Communications
  - 0.5 Language Arts Elective

3. 3.0 credits of science
  - 1.0 credit Science 9
  - 1.0 credit Biology
  - 0.5 Chemistry
4. 3.0 credits of math
5. 0.5 credit health
6. 1.5 credits physical education (elective credit may be substituted for physical education if the student has been medically excused by a physician)

PE 9 and two distinct PE courses must be taken over the course of three separate school years.
7. 0.5 credit Vocational Education
8. 0.5 credit Fine Arts
9. 7.0 credits in electives (electives must be in more than one department)

E.. Class Membership

All students enter ninth grade as members of a class. They remain members of that class for three years from the freshman to junior years. At the end of the junior year, only those students who have earned a minimum of 18 credits are considered members of the senior class. Students who have been enrolled for three or more years and who have not earned 18 credits are considered members of the junior class for the purposes of class activities such as Prom and Homecoming. Only those seniors who meet all graduation requirements by the end of their senior year are eligible for graduation ceremonies, including Senior Class Night.

F. Early Graduation

Students who have fulfilled all graduation requirements may be eligible to graduate early if they:

- a. have met with counselor and followed application procedures
- b. have accumulated 24.0 credits
- c. have demonstrated definite purposes and goals, such as:
  - a. Entrance into Armed Forces
  - b. Entrance into college or technical school
  - c. A full-time job which is in line with the student's abilities, skills and life goals

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