

Amity School District 4J

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Graduation Exercises

The Board believes that completion of the requirements for a diploma, a modified diploma, an extended diploma or an alternative certificate from public schools is an achievement that improves the community as well as the individual. The Board wishes to recognize this achievement in a publicly celebrated graduation exercise.

Accordingly, appropriate graduation programs may be planned by the building principal on the date selected by the Board.

The district's valedictorian(s), salutatorian(s) or others, at the discretion of the building principal or designee, may be permitted to speak as part of the district's planned graduation program. All speeches will be reviewed and approved in advance by the building principal or designee.

All students in good standing ¹who have successfully completed the requirements for a middle school or high school diploma or qualifies to receive or receives a modified diploma, an extended diploma or an alternative certificate, including a student with disabilities receiving a document certifying successful completion of program requirements, shall have the option to participate in graduation exercises.

A student shall be allowed to wear a dress uniform issued to the student by a branch of the U.S. Armed Forces if the student:

1. Qualifies to receive a high school diploma, a modified diploma, an extended diploma or an alternative certificate, and
2. Has completed basic training for, and is an active member of, a branch of the U.S. Armed Forces.

Graduating students will be allowed to wear items of cultural significance, in accordance with consistently-enforced rules established by the principal or designee.

END OF POLICY

Legal Reference(s):

[ORS 329.035](#)
[ORS 329.465](#)
[ORS 332.105](#)
[ORS 332.107](#)
[ORS 343.295](#)

[OAR 581-021-0071](#)
[OAR 581-022-2000](#)
[OAR 581-022-2505](#)

[OAR 581-022 2015](#)
[OAR 581-022 2010](#)
[OAR 581-022 2020](#)

¹A student may be denied participation in graduation exercises for conduct that violates board policy, administrative regulation and/or code of conduct provisions.

31 Op Atty Gen 428 (1964).

Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, 20 U.S.C. Sections 1681-1683; (2017); Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Sex in Education Programs or Activities Receiving Federal Financial Assistance 34 CFR Part 106 (2017).

Kay v. David Douglas School District No. 40, 1987; cert. den., 484 U.S. 1032 (1988).

Doe v. Madison School District No. 321 177 F3d 789 (9th Cir 1999).

Lee v. Weisman, 505 U.S. 577 (1992).

Hazelwood Sch. Dist. v. Kuhlmeier, 484 U.S. 260 (1988)