GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

In order to graduate from Hull High School, students must earn a minimum of 140 credits. In addition, the following subjects must be completed with at lease a passing mark:

- 1. English four (4) full year courses;
- 2. Mathematics four (4) full year courses;
- 3. Science four (4) full year courses;
- 4. Social studies four (4) full year courses; and
- 5. Physical Education four (4) semesters of Wellness.

Other requirements may be established by the school administration in relation to the particular program, otherwise the additional credits needed for a graduation may be selected from among elective courses.

<u>Credit for Foreign Study</u>: Students who are away for a term or year to participate in a student exchange program or otherwise study abroad may receive credits toward high school graduation when (1) study plans are approved by the school administration in advance; and (2) the institution where the study occurred submits a record of the student's work. In these instances, the principal and student's guidance counselor will evaluate the work and assign credit for it according to standards prevailing in Hull High School.

<u>Graduation Ceremonies (Participation)</u>: The School Committee believes that completion of the requirements for a diploma from the Hull Public Schools is an achievement that improves the community as well as the individual. Therefore, the School Committee wishes to recognize that achievement annually in a publicly held graduation ceremony.

Only students who have successfully completed all requirements and obligations prescribed by Hull School Committee policy and the school administration (to include book fines and detentions) will be eligible to participate in the graduation. Exceptions are provided below:

A student who is within one full-year course (6 credits) of meeting graduation requirements by the end of the school year may be eligible to participate in the graduation ceremonies providing he/she has made arrangements with the school administration to complete the owed credit. His/her diploma will be awarded when the requirement has been met. Additional exceptions may be approved by the School Committee in unusual circumstances, upon recommendation of the school administration.

The school administration shall notify all students of the requirements and obligations that must be met in order to participate in the graduation exercises. Individual students who are not or may not be eligible to participate in the graduation ceremonies, and their parent(s)/guardian(s), shall be notified by certified mail no later than two (2) weeks after completion of the first semester of their senior year.

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