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RE: Hardship Graduation, 08.1132
DATE: Wednesday, February 13, 2019

The Hardship Graduation Policy, 08.1132 was updated based on recent discussions between High School Principals and current Board Members to delineate between hardship and early graduation focused on student participation in school events. The updated policy has been reviewed by Buckman, Farris \& Mills Law Office.

## Hardship Graduation

## Hardship Requests

Students who experience extreme health or economic hardship may apply for assistance with graduation requirements for hardship reasons. In the case of extreme hardship, the District may provide alternative methods for the student to complete District graduation requirements which may allow for early graduation. Methods may include, but are not limited to, regular classroom instruction, alternative classroom instruction, online courses, performance-based opportunities, college programs, consideration of waiver of District requirements that exceed state minimums (the District cannot waive state minimums), or credit recovery.
Upon completion of the early graduation requirements referenced above, the graduating student shall no longer be permitted to participate in school or District events in the capacity as a student, including, but not limited to, extracurricular activities, clubs, sports, dances, and prom. However, when extraordinary cause is shown, the Superintendent, in his/her sole discretion, may permit participation in an event by the student on a case-by-case basis.

## REFERENCE:

704 KAR 3:305

## Related Policy:

08.113

