Sparta Area School District

Article 430 – Commencement

The date of the Sparta High School graduation ceremony will be determined annually by the Board of Education. Commencement for Sparta High Point Charter School and SAILS Charter School will be held separately and determined by their governing boards.

A student who qualifies as a graduating senior in more than one Sparta Area District school will be required to designate by April 15 which diploma and corresponding commencement program in which they will participate.

Students who do not meet the academic requirements needed to graduate, prior to the date of graduation, will not be allowed to participate in the graduation ceremony, unless specified otherwise in their IEP.

Students who have not made up class time due to unexcused tardies and absences, prior to the date of graduation, will not be allowed to participate in the graduation ceremony, unless specified otherwise in their IEP.

Students who have outstanding school fees or fines which have not been paid prior to the date of graduation will not be allowed to participate in the graduation ceremony.

Students must attend and finish the scheduled commencement practice in good standing in order to have the privilege of participating in the commencement program. Students unable to make the practice must contact the High School Main Office prior to one hour after the practice has started with a valid reason for missing the practice. Students who are feeling ill must present a doctor's excuse prior to participating in the graduation ceremony.

Students having irresponsible, uncooperative, and/or gross misbehavior as evaluated by the administration, may have the privilege of participating in commencement exercises denied.

In order to participate in the annual 8th grade celebration ceremony students must finish the year in good standing, have no outstanding detention time, and no outstanding school fees or fines (including technology deductibles, book fines or other fees).

Legal Reference:

Cross Reference: Article 401 – Graduation Requirements
Article 404 – Procedures for Senior Failures

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