

Introduction

Redmond School District offers a variety of diploma options to graduating students upon completion of one of five prescribed credit programs. These include the Standard, University, Modified, Extended, and International Baccalaureate (IB) Diplomas. All five diplomas represent satisfactory completion of a valid and accredited program.

-Four-year colleges and universities accept the Standard, University, and IB diplomas. An appeal may be considered by some four-year universities for Modified Diplomas. Extended Diplomas are not accepted.

-Community Colleges accept the Standard, University, IB, and Modified Diplomas. Extended Diplomas are not accepted.

-Modified Diploma graduates are not eligible to receive FAFSA—Free Application for Federal Student Aid.

-The Military accepts the Standard, University, and IB Diplomas. Some branches may accept the Modified Diploma. Extended Diplomas are not accepted.

-Refer to the Diploma Options Chart in this brochure to see what classes are required to fulfill each diploma option. Students completing any of the diploma options are eligible for graduation exercises. Please contact the counselor, resource teacher, or assistant principal at your student's school for questions regarding graduation requirements and diploma options.

Diploma Options

There are a variety of diploma options to fit the needs of all students. Within this brochure are descriptions of the requirements for meeting the criteria of each option. Choosing the right option for you or your student will have life-long implications. It is essential to be well-informed.

The Advanced Diploma option is also available for students who meet University and Standard Diploma requirements and who complete the Advanced Diploma process. Students that select this option are eligible to attend one year (beginning fall term after high school graduation) at a community college in Oregon with tuition and books being paid by Redmond School District.



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Diploma Options Information

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IB Diploma*

An IB Diploma is awarded to each student who has completed all state and local requirements for 26 total credits. Please see the chart within this brochure for specific credit/course requirements.

University Diploma*

A University Diploma is awarded to each student who has completed all state and local requirements for 26 total credits.

Standard Diploma*

A 24-credit Standard Diploma may be granted to students who have been academically successful and who are presently achieving school success or to students transferring to Redmond as seniors who are unable to meet the requirements of a 26-credit University Diploma.

*For students eligible for special education, an IB, University, or Standard Diploma may be granted according to the following guidelines:

1. Approval by a building review team that considers each case on an individual basis. Team minimally consists of: assigned school counselor, case manager, other school personnel as deemed appropriate, parent/guardian, and the student.
2. Approval may not be made by the building review team earlier than the completion of a student's fifth semester.
3. Once approved for an IB, University, or Standard Diploma, a student must pass a minimum of four approved classes per trimester. Exceptions shall be considered by the building review team on their individual merit.
4. If an approved student who is not in a Special Education Program fails to meet the IB, University, or Standard Diploma requirements, community programs shall be recommended for High School completion. In exceptional situations where a return to High School is most appropriate, the building review team shall assess the case and formulate a graduation plan.

Modified Diploma

A 24-credit Modified Diploma is awarded to a student who, under modified conditions and curricula, has completed all of the state requirements. Decisions about awarding this diploma are made through a building review team process. The team shall minimally include school personnel most knowledgeable about a student's academic performance and needs, the assigned school counselor, other school personnel as deemed appropriate, parent/guardian and the student.

A Modified Diploma is subject to limitations of the guidelines below:

1. Documented history of the student's inability to maintain grade-level achievement due to significant learning and instructional barriers, or achievement barriers due to medical condition.
2. Building review team decides whether the student should work toward a modified diploma no earlier than the end of sixth grade and no later than two

years before the student's anticipated exit from High School, extenuating circumstances notwithstanding.

3. Building review team establishes modified curriculum and it is noted as such on transcripts.
4. Building review team may formally decide to revise a modified diploma decision, but requires course credits that were modified must be retaken without modifications.
5. Any modifications in demonstrating proficiencies in Essential Skills, Career-related Learning Standards, Career-related Learning Experiences, Education Plan & Profile, and Extended Application places the student on a modified track.
6. Students currently engaged in the use of illegal drugs and/or alcohol are not eligible for a modified diploma if the significant learning and instructional barriers are due to the use of illegal drugs and/or alcohol. Students who are in, have completed a supervised drug or alcohol rehabilitation program or have been rehabilitated and are no longer using illegal drugs or alcohol, may be eligible for a modified diploma.

Extended Diploma

A Extended Diploma may be awarded only through the Individualized Education Plan (IEP) team process and only to students on IEPs who complete the required 12 units of credit.

The diploma is subject to limitations identified in the guidelines listed below:

1. A student will be considered a candidate for the Extended Diploma if s/he cannot meet the full set of academic content standards for University, Standard, or Modified Diploma with reasonable accommodations and modifications. In addition, the student must meet the following eligibility criteria:
 - A. Documented history of the inability to maintain grade-level achievement due to significant learning and instructional barriers inherent in the student or documented history of a medical condition that creates a barrier to achievement, and
 - B. Participation in an alternate state assessment beginning no later than grade six and lasting for two or more assessment cycles or a serious injury that occurs after grade 8 and that changes the student's ability to participate in grade-level activities and that results in the student participating in alternate assessments.

Alternate Certificate

An Alternate Certificate may be earned by students if they are unable to meet the requirements for any other diploma option.

Graduation Exercises

Only students in good standing who have successfully completed the requirements for an IB, University, Standard, Modified, Extended Diploma, or Alternate Certificate may participate in graduation exercises.

	Standard Diploma	University Diploma	Modified Diploma	Extended Diploma	Alternate Certificate	International Baccalaureate (IB) Track
Eligible Students	All	All	Requires approval of a Modified Diploma Committee	Special Education Students	Students unable to satisfy diploma requirements	All
Required Content Area Credits	<p>24 Total Credits</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 4.0 English 3.0 Math * 3.0 Science 3.0 Social Studies 1.0 PE 1.0 Health 3.0 Second Language/Art/Career Tech 6.0 Other/Elective Credits (.5 credit to be awarded upon completion of Personal Portfolio) <p>* 3.0 credits at or above Algebra 1 starting with Class of 2014</p>	<p>26 Total Credits</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 4.0 English 4.0 Math * 4.0 Science 3.0 Social Studies 2.0 Second Language 1.0 PE 1.0 Health 2.0 Art/Career Tech 5.0 Other/Elective Credits (.5 credit to be awarded upon completion of Personal Portfolio) <p>* 3.0 credits at or above Algebra 1 starting with Class of 2014</p>	<p>24 Total Credits</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 3.0 English 2.0 Math 2.0 Science 2.0 Social Studies 1.0 PE 1.0 Health 1.0 Second Language/Art/Career Tech 12.0 Other/Elective Credits (.5 credit to be awarded upon completion of Personal Portfolio) <p>* Additional courses may be determined by school team</p>	<p>12 Total Credits*</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2.0 English 2.0 Math 2.0 Science 3.0 Social Studies 1.0 Health 1.0 PE 1.0 Second Language/Art/Career Tech <p>Students must participate in the Extended Measures Assessment</p> <p>*No more than 6 of the 12 credits may be earned in a self-contained special education class</p>	Determined by School District	<p>26 Total Credits</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 4.5 English 3.5 Math 3.5 Science 4.0 Social Studies 3.0 Second Language 1.0 PE 1.0 Health 0.5 CAS 0.5 TOK (Jr. Yr.) 1.0 Tech 1.0 Fine/Performing Arts 1.0 IB Core* 1.5 Electives <p>*including 1.0 credit from: MYP PP (.5), Sr TOK (.5), or EE (.5)</p>
Essential Skills	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reading Class of 2012 Reading & Writing Class of 2013 Reading, Writing, and Math Class of 2014 and beyond <p>To Be Determined: Speaking, Critical Thinking, Technology Use, Civic & Community Engagement, Global Literacy</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reading Class of 2012 Reading & Writing Class of 2013 Reading, Writing, and Math Class of 2014 and beyond <p>To Be Determined: Speaking, Critical Thinking, Technology Use, Civic & Community Engagement, Global Literacy</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reading Class of 2012 Reading & Writing Class of 2013 Reading, Writing, and Math Class of 2014 and beyond <p>To Be Determined: Speaking, Critical Thinking, Technology Use, Civic & Community Engagement, Global Literacy</p>	To be determined by IEP team	Determined by School District	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reading Class of 2012 Reading & Writing Class of 2013 Reading, Writing, and Math Class of 2014 and beyond <p>To Be Determined: Speaking, Critical Thinking, Technology Use, Civic & Community Engagement, Global Literacy</p>
Special Education Services	No special education services are provided by the school district beyond high school	No special education services are provided by the school district beyond high school	May be provided through the school year in which the student turns 21 or until the student receives a standard diploma or higher	May be provided through the school year in which the student turns 21 or until the student receives a standard diploma or higher	May be provided through the school year in which the student turns 21 or until the student receives a standard diploma or higher	No special education services are provided by the school district beyond high school
Community College/Vocational Schools	Accepted	Accepted	Accepted at some but students may find it difficult to meet entrance criteria—may need to complete additional requirements	Students will find it difficult to meet entrance criteria—may need to complete additional requirements	Not Accepted	Accepted
4-year Colleges and Universities	Accepted with 2 years of Foreign Language. Not accepted without 2 years of Foreign Language, but appeals may be considered	Accepted	Possibly accepted with a waiver or after the successful completion of an associate degree	Four year colleges and universities do not accept Extended Diploma. Students who receive Extended Diploma will find it difficult to meet entrance criteria required by colleges.	Not Accepted	Accepted
Federal Student Aid	Meets Eligibility	Meets Eligibility	Does not meet eligibility criteria	Does not meet eligibility criteria	Does not meet eligibility criteria	Meets Eligibility
Military	May qualify to enlist in any branch of military with qualifying ASVAB score	May qualify to enlist in any branch of military with qualifying ASVAB score	Students must check with military branches to determine eligibility	Students must check with military branches to determine eligibility	Students must check with military branches to determine eligibility	May qualify to enlist in any branch of military with qualifying ASVAB score