

## **1105.05**

# **COMMENCEMENT ACTIVITIES**

The Mingo County Board of Education believes that commencement activities are an honor restricted to high school seniors.

## **OBJECTIVES**

Students will complete the courses within their selected pathway and the adopted program of studies.

Students will earn the appropriate number of credits in compliance with state and county policies.

## **HIGH SCHOOL PROCEDURES (Grades 9-12)**

- Commencement activities are to be held at the school site or in a public facility. Where seating facilities are limited, tickets are to be used to equalize the seating facilities among parents, relatives, and friends of the graduating seniors and the faculty.
- Class Day or a Senior Assembly will be conducted after the final day for graduating seniors.
- Seniors will be dismissed no more than five (5) school days before the dismissal date for all students. The early release of seniors is to permit ample time for record completion prior to graduation ceremonies.

## MIDDLE SCHOOL PROCEDURES (GRADES 5-8)

- An awards or recognition assembly can be held at the end of the eighth grade year. The awards or recognition assembly will be held during the school day, if school “bank time” is available.
- A special school paper, dedicated to the eighth grade class, can be published.
- No social affair, that resembles a graduation exercise, can be held. No class rings, pins, or other class jewelry which gives special identification to the eighth (8<sup>th</sup>) grade class or school, will be sponsored by a middle school.
- No “prom,” sponsored by the school, will be held in a middle school.
- No middle school class will be dismissed prior to the conclusion of the school term.

## ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PROCEDURES (Grades Pre K-4)

- An awards or recognition assembly can be held at the end of the Pre K, Kindergarten, and Fourth grade year. The awards or recognition assembly will be held during the school day, if school “bank time” is available.
- A special school paper, dedicated to the Pre K, Kindergarten, and Fourth grade classes, can be published.
- No social affair, that resembles a graduation exercise, can be held. No class rings, pins, or other class jewelry, which gives special identification to the Pre K, Kindergarten, and Fourth (4<sup>th</sup>) grade classes or school, will be sponsored by an elementary school.

- No elementary school class will be dismissed prior to the conclusion of the school term.

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