4.20.045-AD Graduation – Exchange Students

(1) International Students Here.

- (a) Students with a J-1 Visa (exchange visitor, student) are accepted as students for one school year as a cultural exchange.
- (b) If a student desires a district diploma, a counselor, when the student enrolls, shall assist in detailed planning for earning the diploma. To earn a diploma, the student must:
 - (A) Be a participant in any one of the district approved international student exchange programs or pay full tuition;
 - (B) Qualify for admission to the senior class;
 - (C) Continue in attendance throughout the academic year;
 - (D) Complete the usual senior course requirements; i.e., English, the American government equivalent and a yearlong class in U.S. History.
- (c) International students not earning a diploma may participate in commencement ceremonies if they qualify as senior students.

(2) Portland Student Abroad.

(a) If a student wishes to graduate locally after spending his/her senior year abroad, timely and adequate preplanning is necessary to comply with Board Policy 4.20.040, Graduation and Promotional Exercises.

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