

Procedure for Early Graduation from High School
Franklin Community School Corporation
(as found in the FCHS Handbook)

EARLY GRADUATION (JUNIORS) / MID-YEAR GRADUATION (SENIORS)

Juniors and Seniors who have earned the required number of credits and who have completed all of the required classes may be graduated after six or seven semesters (respectively).

These procedures shall be followed by all planning early/mid-year graduation.

1. Students should apply for early/mid-year graduation at the time that scheduling takes place, but no later than the first week of school in the fall.
2. The student shall file with the counselor a completed application, properly signed by the student and the parent or guardian.
3. The student shall have a grade point average of 1.6 or above.
4. Early / mid-year graduates are considered completed with their high school program are no longer considered students. Early / mid-year graduates are not permitted to participate in any extracurricular activities (athletics, clubs, dances, prom, etc.). If these students wish to attend a dance or prom they may attend with a current student as a guest following FCHS visitor procedures.
5. Early / mid-year graduates are permitted, and encouraged, to participate in the graduation commencement ceremony.
6. Students who are scheduled as mid-year graduates will have the lowest priority for any full year courses when enrollment in these courses exceeds the number of available places for students.
7. By electing to be an early /mid-year graduate, juniors / seniors accept the responsibility to keep themselves informed of all school deadlines that may apply to them. Announcements concerning graduation announcements, graduation practice, cap and gown pick-up, etc. are not necessarily mailed home. Early / mid-year graduates must meet all announced deadlines. "Not knowing" will not be an acceptable excuse.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS (cont)

1. Students shall attend a minimum of six full semesters. Summer school does not count when the number of semesters attended is considered. Students who wish to graduate in six or seven semesters should talk with their guidance counselor by the end of their freshman year in order to develop a plan to accomplish this goal.
2. The Franklin Community High School diploma will be granted when the principal has determined that the candidate has satisfied the basic graduation requirements.