GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Maxwell High School conducts an annual graduation ceremony for students who meet District and CA State graduation requirements. Only students who wish to participate in the program are obliged to do so; however, all students who participate must conform to school regulations. The graduation ceremony is a privilege, not a right. All students must be clothed in caps and gowns. All school, District, and state policies and laws apply to graduation ceremonies.

Eligible seniors must turn in all books, pay any financial obligations, complete any detention hours, and complete a clearance checkout in order to be eligible to participate in graduation ceremonies.

Seniors must maintain 95 percent attendance during their senior year in order to participate in graduation ceremonies. Both excused and unexcused absences will be considered. Seven period absences will be considered as one day of absence. Absences due to school sponsored trips and/or activities are not counted as absences toward the 95 percent attendance requirement. Students temporarily disabled by accident or by illness may receive individual home hospital instruction when a student is expected to be out of school for two weeks or longer. The independent study program may be used to accommodate students. Students who are below the 95 percent attendance requirement may attend an academic Saturday School program on an hour-for-hour seat-time basis. The option of Saturday School is at the discretion of the Superintendent and may not be offered.

Students who are suspended more than 5 days during their senior year, or who are suspended during the last two weeks of school, shall be ineligible to participate in graduation ceremonies. This includes in-school and out-of-school suspension.

Students must meet all academic requirements with respect of credits earned.

Students, who are denied graduation privileges, may appeal the decision to the Board of Trustees, provided the timeline allows for a Special Board Meeting.

Graduation Trip Requirements

Seniors must maintain the 95 percent attendance rate as listed in the graduation ceremony requirements above in order to participate in the senior graduation trip. Students who are suspended more than 5 days during their senior year, or who are suspended during the last two weeks leading up to the senior trip, will be ineligible to participate. This includes in-school and out-of-school suspension. Students must be on track as meeting all academic requirements with respect of credits earned for graduation. All assigned detentions must be completed in order to attend the senior trip.

Both the Student and the Parent/Guardian must read, sign and return this form.

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Parent/ Guardian	Student