



## **EARLY GRADUATION POLICY**

Students considering early graduation (completion of all graduation requirements at the end of the first semester of twelfth grade) should schedule a consult with their counselor during their junior year or no later than the last day of the first month of school of their senior year. Approval will be based on the following:

- A. The student must declare the intent to graduate early, by the beginning of his/her senior year, but not later than the last work day in the first month of school.
- B. The student must have accumulated 24 required credits by the Alabama State Department of Education by the start of their senior year.
- C. The student must have the 28 district required credits for graduation by the end of the first semester of his/her senior year.
- D. The student must earn a score at the Silver Level or higher on the fall administration of the ACT Work Keys Assessment.
- E. The request for early graduation must have an approval by parents, the principal, and superintendent of Selma City Schools.
- F. Students transferring into Selma High School at the beginning of their senior year would be eligible to apply for early graduation upon entrance but no later than the last work day in the first month of school.
- G. Students with unusual circumstances will be considered on an individual basis, through application to the principal and an approval by parents and the superintendent of Selma City Schools.
- H. Students who are chronically absent during their junior year may not be eligible for early graduation.
- I. Students apply and submit evidence of employment and/or college acceptance.
- J. Early graduates are no longer enrolled at Selma City Schools and therefore may not participate in sports or other activities but may return and participate in spring graduation.
- K. Dual enrollment student are not eligible for early graduation.
- L. The superintendent will establish an Early Graduation Review Board, procedures and an application process for approval of early graduation.