

Lame Deer High School - Graduation Overview

Welcome to Lame Deer High School. To help you have a successful experience at our school and graduate in a timely manner, we have provided this guide to help you plan your next four years.

You will need to accumulate **23 credits to graduate**. Each class is worth .5 (½) credit, a grade of a “D” or better is passing to earn credit. LDHS has 7 periods; in one semester you will earn 3.5 credits. In one year (two semesters) you will earn 7.0 credits.

Here is a breakdown of how many credits you need to pass to the next grade level. Just coming to school for a year doesn't make you a sophomore the next year, you have to earn a specific amount of credits for each grade level. If you dropout of school before the end of the semester, you will not receive any credit for that semester, so please do everything you can to stay in school.

Reminder: Students who are Career & College Ready will graduate with extra credits - especially in Math, Science, Social Studies and Dual College Credits.

Class Standing:

10th grade	2.0 credits
11th grade	9.0 credits
12th grade	16.0 credits

The classes that you take are assigned to a *credit group* (Fine Art, Vocational Art, Core Classes, PE/Health, World/Foreign Language, Cultural, Electives). You will need to pass a specific amount of credits in each group toward graduation requirements. Some of these requirements are set up by the state and others by our local school board policy. If you fail to meet any of the requirements, you will not earn a high school diploma. These are the minimum requirements for graduation. Some colleges, Armed Services, training programs will have additional requirements for admission. For example, LDHS requires 2 credits in science, universities require 3-4 credits in science, etc (see LDHS Graduation Requirements - MT University System Graduation Requirements).

VALEDICTORIAN AND SALUTATORIAN

Valedictorian and Salutatorian will be awarded on the basis of the student's class rank. Class rank is calculated by your **GPA** (Grade Point Average). The student with the highest GPA is the Valedictorian and the Salutatorian is the student with the second highest GPA. Your GPA is determined by the following:

A+ = 4.0 C+ = 2.333 F = 0.00

A = 4.0 C = 2.0

A- = 3.67 C- = 1.667

B+ = 3.333 D+ = 1.333

B = 3.0 D = 1.0

B- = 2.67 D- = 0.67

*GPA = Sum of points from each course / divided by # of classes

*Cumulative GPA is a result of each semester GPA averaged into the current GPA.

Uniform Grading Scale

A 90% - 100%

B 80% - 89%

C 70% - 79%

D 60% - 69%

F 0% - 59%

NC No Credit

I Incomplete

NG No Grade

P Passing

