



## INSTRUCTION

### High School Graduation Requirements

The board will establish graduation requirements which, at a minimum, satisfy those established by the State Board of Education. The board will approve additional graduation requirements as recommended by the superintendent or designee. Graduation requirements in effect when a student first enrolls in high school will remain in effect until that student graduates. The board will award a regular high school diploma to every student enrolled in the district who meets the requirements established by the district. Only one diploma will be awarded with no distinctions being made between the various programs of instruction that may be pursued.

### I. REQUIREMENTS FOR GRADUATING

Each student must meet the following requirements to graduate from high school: (1) complete the credit requirements specified in the procedure accompanying this policy; (2) pass the necessary state assessments or a state-approved alternative assessment; and (3) complete a high school and beyond plan.

### II. IMPLEMENTATION

The superintendent or designee will develop procedures for implementing this policy according to applicable state law.

Cross References:     2418   Waiver of High School Graduation Credits  
                           3110   Qualifications of Attendance and Placement  
                           3241   Student Discipline  
                           3520   Student Fees, Fines, Charges

Legal References:    RCW28A.230.090 High school graduation requirements or equivalencies—Reevaluation and report by state board of education—Credit for courses taken before attending high school—Postsecondary credit equivalencies  
                           RCW28A.230.097 Career and technical high school course equivalencies  
                           RCW28A.230.120 High school diplomas – Issuance – Option to receive final transcripts—Notice  
                           RCW28A.230.122 International baccalaureate diplomas  
                           RCW 28A.600.500 Graduation Ceremonies – Tribal Regalia  
                           RCW28A.600.300-400 Running start program  
                           RCW28A.635.060 Defacing or injuring school property--Liability of parent or guardian-Withholding grades, diploma, or transcripts – Suspension and restitution – voluntary work program as alternative – Rights protected  
                           RCW28A.655.061 High school assessment system-certificate of achievement-exemptions-options to retake high school assessment-objective alternative assessment-student learning plans  
                           Chapter 180-51WAC High school graduation requirements  
                           WAC 392-121-182 Alternative Learning Experience  
                           Chapter 392-169 WAC Special service programs running start program

Chapter -410 WAC Courses of studies and equivalencies  
WAC 392-410-350 Seal of Biliteracy  
WAC 392-415-070 Mandatory high school transcript contents

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