

Required Notification regarding Algebra II In accordance with law, not later than September 1 of each year, the District will notify by regular mail or email the parents of or person standing in parental relation to each student enrolled in grade 9 or above that student is not required to complete the Algebra II to graduate under the foundation high school program.

Student Aid Application In accordance with law, each student prior to graduation will complete and submit a free application for federal student aid (FAFSA) or a Texas application for state financial aid (TASFA).

Alternative Local Graduation Requirements for Certain Individuals An individual who entered grade 9 before the 2011–12 school year and meets the requirements of Education Code 28.02541(a) [see EIF(LEGAL)] may be awarded a high school diploma if the local graduation committee determines that the individual has demonstrated proficiency in the content areas related to the assessments on which the individual has not performed satisfactorily.

Local Graduation Committee The local graduation committee for an eligible individual shall consist of the following:

1. The Associate Superintendent for Academics or designee;
2. A representative of the District with knowledge of the assessments on which the individual has not performed satisfactorily and the subject areas covered by such assessments; and
3. The individual or their representative seeking graduation under these provisions.

Alternative Requirements To be eligible to graduate and receive a high school diploma under these provisions, an eligible individual must demonstrate proficiency to the satisfaction of the local graduation committee in the content areas related to the assessments on which the individual has not performed satisfactorily.

As approved by the Board, proficiency must be established through one or more of the following factors:

1. The individual's grade in each course in the subject areas applicable to the assessments on which the individual has not performed satisfactorily;
2. The individual's score on each assessment instrument on which the individual has failed to perform satisfactorily;
3. The individual's performance on any projects or work samples in the subject areas applicable to the assessments on which the individual has not performed satisfactorily (including any projects or work samples identified and assigned by the local graduation committee to be completed by the individual);

4. The individual's participation in offered remediation;
5. The individual's school attendance rate;
6. The individual's transcript of course work;
7. The individual's completion of career and technical education program courses; or
8. Any other academic, work, or life experience determined to be relevant by the local graduation committee.

Finality of Decision

The decision of the local graduation committee regarding whether an individual qualifies to graduate and receive a high school diploma is final and may not be appealed. The decision of the local graduation committee must be unanimous in order for the individual to be eligible to receive a diploma.