

**Tumwater School District
Board Policy**

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) demonstrate career and college readiness by completing a high school and beyond plan; (3) meet the requirements of at least one graduation pathway option described in the procedure accompanying this policy; and (4) complete a Senior Culminating Project as described in the procedure accompanying this policy.

II. IMPLEMENTATION

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

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| Legal References | RCW 28A.230.090 | High school graduation requirements or equivalencies — Reevaluation of graduation requirements — Review and authorization of proposed changes — Credit for courses taken before attending high school — Postsecondary credit equivalencies |
| | RCW 28A.230.120 | High school diplomas — Issuance — Option to receive final transcripts — Notice |
| | RCW 28A.600.300-400 | Running Start program |
| | RCW 28A.635.060 | Defacing or injuring school property — Liability of pupil, parent or guardian — Withholding grades, diploma, or transcripts — Suspension and restitution |

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| WAC 180-51 | — Voluntary work program as alternative — Rights protected |
| WAC 392-121-182 | High school graduation requirements |
| | Alternative Learning Experience Requirements |
| WAC 392-169 | Special service programs running start program |
| WAC 392-348 | Secondary Education |
| WAC 392-410 | Courses of studies and equivalencies |

Management Resources:

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| <i>Policy News</i> , 4-2012 | State Board of Education revises credit requirements for graduation |
| <i>Policy News</i> , 10-2011 | Policy manual revisions |
| <i>Policy News</i> , 6-2010 | High school proficiency examination |
| <i>Policy News</i> , 4-2009 | High school graduation requirements (Class of 2009) |
| <i>Policy News</i> , 2-2009 | High School Graduation Requirements |
| <i>Policy News</i> , 8-2007 | Graduation Requirements Modified by Legislature |
| <i>Policy News</i> , 10-2004 | Graduation Requirements: High School and Beyond Plans |
| <i>Policy News</i> , 2-2004 | High School Graduation Requirements |
| <i>Policy News</i> , 12-2000 | 2004 High School Graduation Requirements Adopted |
| <i>Policy News</i> , 4-1999 | Variations Complicate College Credit Equivalencies |

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