

Instruction

CERTIFICATE OF PROFICIENCY/ HIGH SCHOOL EQUIVALENCY

BP 6146.2

The Governing Board desires that every student have the opportunity to earn a high school diploma through successful completion of district graduation requirements. However, when a student is unable to do so, the Board encourages completion of an alternative program that allows the student to obtain an equivalent certificate.

(cf. 5147 - Dropout Prevention)

(cf. 6146.1 - High School Graduation Requirements)

(cf. 6200 - Adult Education)

Eligible persons who pass the California High School Proficiency Examination may obtain a certificate of proficiency from the State Board of Education (SBE). Eligible persons who pass a general educational development test designated by the SBE may obtain a high school equivalency certificate from the testing service.

The Superintendent or designee shall make information available to interested persons regarding the eligibility and examination requirements of each program.

(cf. 6164.2 - Guidance/Counseling Services)

Interested persons shall register for the test directly with the testing service and pay the applicable fee. However, the fee shall be waived for a homeless or foster youth who is under age 25 years, meets all other registration requirements, and submits certification of homeless or foster youth status. (Education Code 48412; 5 CCR 11524-11526, 11533-11534.1)

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

48400-48403 - Persons subject to compulsory continuation education

48410 - Persons exempt from continuation classes

48412 - Certificate of proficiency; examination fees

48413 - Enrollment in continuation classes

48414 - Reenrollment in district

51420-51427 - High school equivalency certificate

52052 - Accountability; numerically significant student subgroups

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

11520-11523 - Proficiency examination and certificate

11530-11532 - High school equivalency certificate

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Management Resources:

WEB SITES

California Department of Education, California High School Proficiency Examination: <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/tg/sp>

California Department of Education, High School Equivalency Tests: <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/tg/gd>

California High School Proficiency Examination: <http://www.chspe.net>

General Educational Development Test: <http://ged.com>

High School Equivalency Test: <http://hiset.ets.org>

Policy

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