

## WAIVER OF HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION CREDITS

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The board is committed to ensuring that all students have the opportunity to complete their high school graduation requirements without discrimination and without disparate impact on groups of students. However, the board recognizes that unusual circumstances may prevent a student from earning the required twenty-four (24) credits necessary for graduation.

Unusual circumstances may include, but are not limited to:

- Homelessness;
- A health condition preventing class attendance;
- Limited English proficiency;
- Disability, regardless of whether the student has an IEP or a 504 plan;
- Denial of an opportunity to retake or enroll in remedial classes free of charge within the first four years of high school;
- Transfer during the last two years of high school from a school with different graduation requirements;
- Institutionalization or release from an institutional education facility;
- Other significant circumstances (e.g., trauma, emergency, natural disaster, personal/family crisis) that directly impact a student's ability to learn.

The board delegates to the superintendent or their designee the authority to grant a waiver of up to two elective credits required for graduation under these circumstances. The waiver request must be submitted using the district's **Credit Waiver Application Form (2418F)** and must be received by the superintendent's office no later than 30 days prior to the student's scheduled graduation date.

In order to graduate, students granted a waiver must still earn the required 17 core subject credits (4 English, 3 Math, 3 Science, 3 Social Studies, 2 Health and Fitness, 1 Arts, 1 Career and Technical Education) through satisfactory completion or demonstration of competency as provided by WAC 180-51-050.

### **Cross References**

2410 - High School Graduation Requirements

### **Legal References**

RCW 28A.345.080

WAC 180-51-068

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