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Plan to Transform New York State's Graduation Requirements



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Plan to Transform Education in New York

2019 - 2023

NYS establishes the Blue Ribbon Commission (BRC) to rethink NYS graduation requirements with a focus on:

- Program Requirements
- Learning Experiences
- Measurements & Assessments

November 12, 2023

State Ed. Dept. presents BRC Recommendations to the Board of Regents

12 total recommendations

June 10, 2024

State Ed. Dept. Presents [Vision to Transform New York State's Graduation Requirements](#) (Based on BRC Recommendations)

November 4, 2024

State Ed Dept. Presents [Timeline to Implement the BRC Recommendations on Graduation Measures](#)



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NYS Proposed Transformations



Adopt a NYS
Portrait of a
Graduate



Move to One NYS
High School
Diploma

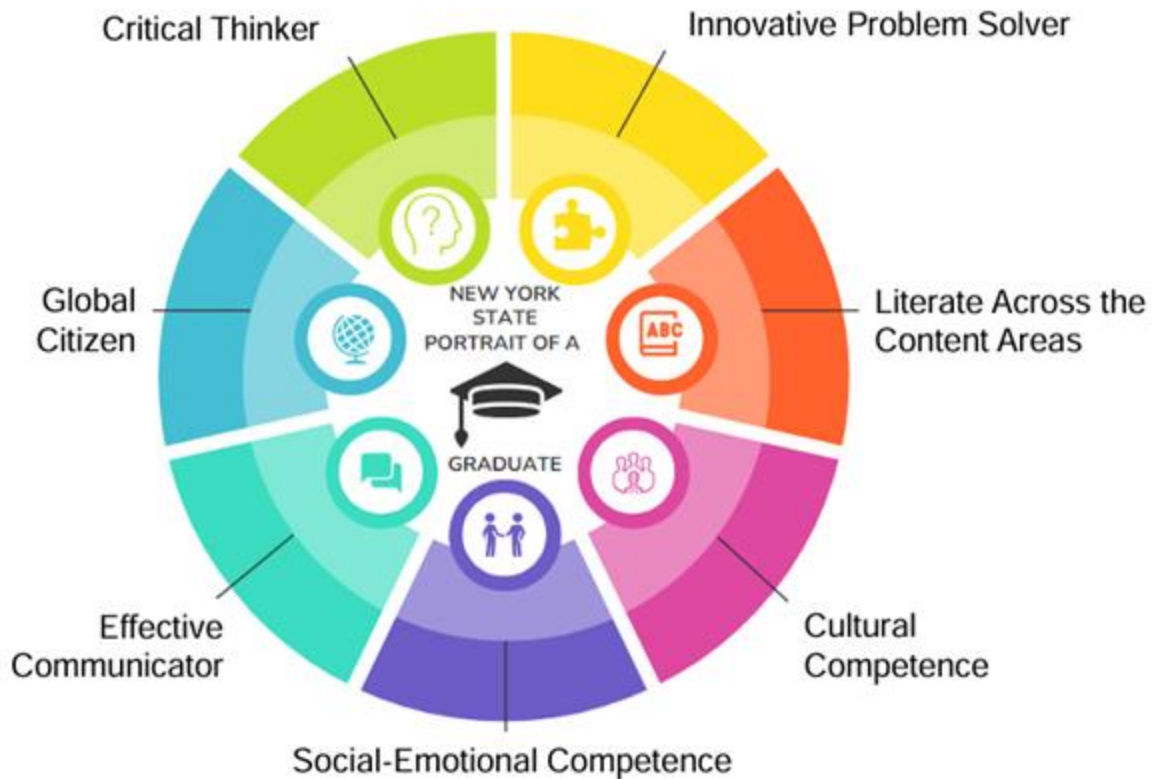


Sunset
Diploma Assessment
Requirements



Redefine Credits and
Learning
Experiences

NYS Portrait of A Graduate



Current Model



Three diploma types

Advanced designation is one



Twofold system

Credit Requirements, primarily earned through units of study
Assessment Requirements



Districts can add local requirements and withhold diplomas from students who do not meet those requirements.

Credit Requirements

- *22 credits earned through units of study*

Assessment Requirements

Regents and Local Diploma

- *Pass 5 Regents exams or*
- *Pass 4 Regents exams and complete 1 pathway*

Regents Diploma with Advanced Designation

- *Pass 8 Regents exams or*
- *Pass 7 Regents and complete 1 pathway*

Proposed Transformational Model



One diploma

Advanced designation becomes seal or endorsement



Evidence-based system

Multiple means for demonstrating student proficiency
Eliminates assessment requirements



Districts must confer diplomas to students who satisfy the State's requirements.

Changes to Assessments Requirement

- The Regents exams are no longer mandatory for graduation but will remain on the student transcript
- Students must take the Regents exams per Federal requirements

One High School Diploma

- **Districts can add, not mandate, additional seals or endorsements**
 - *Locally developed endorsements*
 - *Skills-based micro-credentials*
- **Advanced designation would become a seal or endorsement**

NYS currently has the following endorsements:

- With Honors
- Mastery in Mathematics
- Mastery in Science
- Technical

NYS currently has the following seals:

- Seal of Biliteracy
- Seal of Civic Readiness

One High School Diploma - Syosset Adds Value



Seal of Biliteracy



SYO + Pathways Endorsements



Seal of Civic Readiness



Skills-Based Micro-Credentials

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Credited Internships



Credited Work-Based Learning

Sunset Diploma Requirements

- Students will no longer need to “pass the Regents” or a +1 Pathway Assessment to graduate.
- State assessments will continue to be administered per federal ESSA requirements.

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Redefining Credit & Learning Experiences

Students may provide evidence of their proficiency in the learning standards and the components of the Portrait of a Graduate in a variety of ways.



Approved Work-Based
or Service-Based
Learning Experiences



Capstone
Learning
Experiences



Early College High
School / PTECH



Earning NYS
Credentials or Seals



High School Courses



NYSED-
Approved CTE
Programs



Participation in
the Arts



Passing
Approved
Assessments



Redefining Credit & Learning Experiences

Multiple Means for Demonstrating Proficiency

Earned the Seal of Biliteracy

Successfully completed a locally-developed Capstone Project

Successfully completed an English Composition course



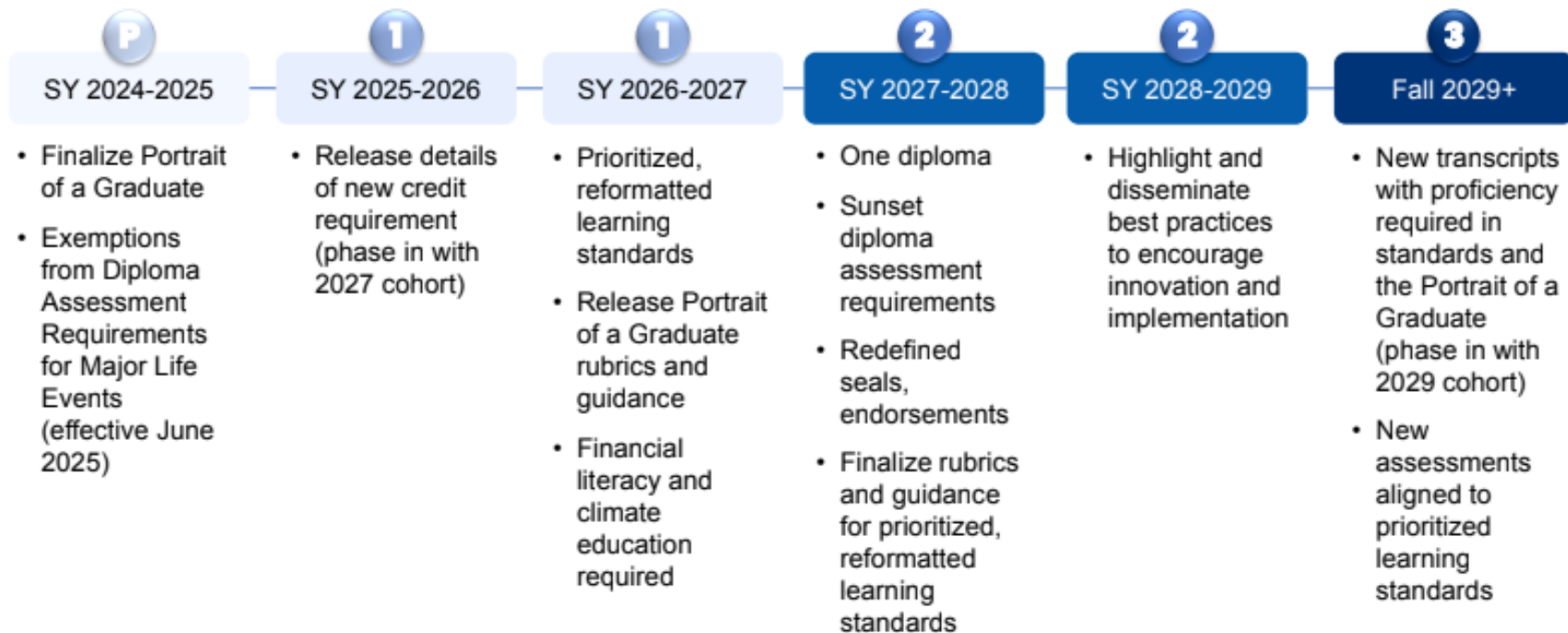
New York State graduates are effective communicators.

Successfully completed Digital Media Communications CTE Program

Passed the State Exam in English Language Arts

Completed a summer internship for the community newspaper

Phased Implementation of Transformations



Diploma Requirements by Cohort

A cohort consists of all students who first entered grade 9 in a particular school year.





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Thank you!



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