

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; and (3) meet the requirements of at least one graduation pathway option 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.

Legal References:

RCW 28A.230.090 High school graduation requirements or equivalencies - High school and beyond plans - Career and college ready graduation requirements and waivers - Reevaluation of graduation requirements - Language requirements - Credit for courses taken before attending high school - Postsecondary credit equivalencies
RCW 28A.230.097 Career and technical high school course equivalencies
RCW 28A.230.120 High school diplomas - Issuance - Option to receive final transcripts - Notice
RCW 28A.230.122 International baccalaureate diplomas
RCW 28A.600.500 Graduation Ceremonies - Tribal Regalia
RCW 28A.600.300-400 Running start program - Definition
RCW 28A.635.060 Defacing or injuring school property - Liability of pupil, parent or guardian - Withholding diplomas - Suspension and restitution - Community Service program as alternative - Publication of information on withheld diplomas - Students rights protected
RCW 28A.655.250 Graduation pathway options
RCW 28A.655.260 Graduation pathway options - Review and monitoring - Participation data
WAC 180-51 High school graduation requirements
WAC 392-121-182 Alternative learning experience requirements
WAC 392-169 Special service programs - Running start program
WAC 392-348 Secondary education
WAC 392-410 Courses of study and equivalencies
WAC 392-410-350 Seal of Biliteracy
WAC 392-415-070 Mandatory high school transcript contents

RCW 28A.150.220 Basic education - Minimum instructional requirements - Program accessibility - Rules

RCW 28A.230.330 Inclusion of American Indian peoples culture in state history and government courses - Instruction in American sign language or American Indian languages satisfies language requirement.

RCW 28A.230.710 Graduation pathway options.

RCW 28A.230.700 Purpose of diploma - Elements of obtainment.

RCW 28A.230.212 High school and beyond plans - Substantive requirements

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