

Implementation Timeline and Next Steps

PHASE 1 Installation

Fall 2025 – Summer 2027

Includes
Portrait of a
Graduate
adoption

PHASE 2 Initial Implementation

Fall 2027 – Summer 2029

Includes diploma
and assessment
transformations

Students graduating 2027-2028 school year or later will earn one NYS diploma without separate diploma assessment requirements

Department staff will move forward immediately with regulatory and implementation steps upon approval.

Ongoing guidance and public sharing of local assessment strategies during the 2027-28 school year.

Continued resource support to ensure successful and sustained implementation.

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Diploma Requirements by Cohort (Entering Grade 9)

COHORT 2023 AND PRIOR

Current diploma requirements* leading to one of three diplomas (Local, Regents, or Regents with Advanced Designation)

**eligible students may request an exemption due to major life events*

COHORTS 2024-2026

- One diploma
- Current credit requirements
- Diploma assessment requirements decoupled for the 2027-2028 School Year; students assessed according to local assessment strategies

COHORTS 2027-2028

- One Diploma
- Redefined learning experiences
- Local assessment strategies refined

COHORT 2029 +

- Full implementation of NY Inspires, including statewide transcript

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