

HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA AND CERTIFICATE OF COMPLETION

Each principal shall forward to the Superintendent a complete list of prospective candidates for a high school diploma, certificate of achievement, and/or certificate of completion.

In order for a student to participate in the graduation ceremonies, the student shall be authorized to receive a high school diploma, certificate of achievement, or certificate of completion by the Board of Trustees. In order to earn a high school diploma, a student shall satisfactorily meet the minimum graduation requirements of the District at the time of the scheduled ceremonies.

A student with learning disabilities and a current IEP or Section 504 plan in place may be awarded a high school diploma if the student has met all of the following requirements:

1. Satisfactorily met the goals and objectives during high school as identified in the student's Individual Education Program (IEP) or 504 Plan;
2. Satisfactorily attended high school, participated in the instruction as prescribed in the IEP or Section 504 Plan, and met the objectives of the statement of transition services;
- ~~3.~~ Satisfactorily meet the minimum graduation requirements of the District.

A student with learning disabilities and a current IEP or Section 504 Plan in place may be awarded a certificate of completion instead of a high school diploma if the student has met all of the following requirements:

1. Satisfactorily completed a life skills/community-based skills curriculum and satisfactorily met the goals and objectives during high school as prescribed in the student's IEP or Section 504 Plan;
2. Satisfactorily attended high school, participated in the instruction as prescribed in the IEP or Section 504 Plan, and met the objectives of the statement of transition services;
3. Taken the California Alternative Performance Assessment in lieu of the California High School Exit Exam unless the parent requests and the student is granted an exemption.

In accordance with Education Code 56391, a student with disabilities who meets the criteria specified above shall be eligible to participate in any graduation ceremony and any school activity related to graduation in which a graduating student of similar age without disabilities would be eligible to participate.

Fullerton Joint Union High School District
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Reference: Education Code Sections 35160.5, 48980, 51215, 56000, 56341, 56345, 56390-56393, 60852.3, and 60850-60856; Code of Regulations, Title 5, 3070; United States Code, Title 20, 1412; Code of Federal Regulations, Title 34, 300.1-300.756

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