

CERTIFICATE OF PROFICIENCY/HIGH SCHOOL EQUIVALENCY

Note: The following Board policy is for use by districts that maintain grades 9-12.

The Governing Board desires that every student have the opportunity to earn a high school diploma through successful completion of ~~class work and examination~~. [district graduation requirements](#). However, when a student is unable to do so, the Board encourages completion of an alternative program that allows ~~him or her~~ [the student](#) to obtain an equivalent certificate.

(cf. 5147 - Dropout Prevention)

(cf. 6146.1 - High School Graduation Requirements)

~~(cf. 6162.52 - High School Exit Examination)~~

(cf. 6200 - Adult Education)

Eligible persons [who pass the California High School Proficiency Examination](#) may obtain a certificate of proficiency ~~or~~ [from the State Board of Education \(SBE\)](#). [Eligible persons who pass a general educational development test designated by the SBE may obtain](#) a high school equivalency certificate ~~in accordance with law, Board policy and administrative regulation~~ [from the testing service](#).

The Superintendent or designee shall make information available to interested persons regarding the eligibility and examination requirements of each program.

(cf. 6164.2 - Guidance/Counseling Services)

[Interested persons shall register for the test directly with the testing service and pay the applicable fee. However, the fee shall be waived for a homeless or foster youth who is under age 25 years, meets all other registration requirements, and submits certification of homeless or foster youth status. \(Education Code 48412; 5 CCR 11524-11526, 11533-11534.1\)](#)

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

48400-48403 Persons subject to compulsory continuation education

48410 Persons exempt from continuation classes

48412 Certificate of proficiency; examination fees

48413 Enrollment in continuation classes

48414 Reenrollment in district

51420-51427 High school equivalency certificate

[52052 Accountability; numerically significant student subgroups](#)

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

11520-11523 Proficiency examination and certificate

11530-11532 High school equivalency certificate ~~(GED)~~

Management Resources:

CDE PUBLICATIONS

Adult Education Handbook for California, 1997

WEB SITES

CDE, GED Office: <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ged>

CDE, California Department of Education, California High School Proficiency Examination:

<http://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/tg/sp>

California Department of Education, High School Equivalency Tests:

<http://www.cde.ca.gov/statetests/ta/tg/gd>

California High School Proficiency Examination: <http://www.chspe.net>

PERRIS UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

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