

Waiver of High School Graduation Credits Policy 2418

The board seeks to provide all students with the opportunity to complete graduation requirements without discrimination and without disparate impact on groups of students. In so doing, the board acknowledges that unusual circumstances may arise that prevent a student from earning all twenty-six credits required for high school graduation. Such circumstances may include, but are not limited to, the following:

- A. Homelessness;
- B. A health condition resulting in an inability to attend class;
- C. Limited English proficiency;
- D. Disability, regardless of whether the student has an individualized education program or a plan under Section 504 of the federal Rehabilitation Act of 1973;
- E. Denial of an opportunity to retake classes or enroll in remedial classes free of charge during the first four years of high school;
- F. Transfer during the last two years of high school from a school with different graduation requirements
- G. Other circumstance(s) (e.g., emergency, natural disaster, trauma, personal or family crisis) that directly compromised a student's ability to learn.

The board delegates to the superintendent or his/her designee discretion to grant a waiver of credits required for graduation. A student's parent/guardian or an adult student must file the district's required paperwork with the building principal prior to the superintendent approval 30 days before graduation. In order to graduate, students must apply for a waiver to be approved for the state minimum 24 credit graduation diploma per WAC 180.51.068. Additional waivers, must be submitted to building principal and superintendent.

Students must still fulfill all other graduation requirements, including Assessments and Non-Credit Requirements referenced in Policy 2410, High School Graduation Requirements.

Cross References: 2410 High School Graduation
Requirements

Legal References: RCW 28A.230.090 High school graduation
requirements or equivalencies-
High school graduation
requirements and waivers –
Reevaluation of graduation
requirements – Language
requirements – Credit for courses
taken before attending high school

	RCW 28A.345.080	Model policy and procedure for granting waivers of credit for high school graduation.
	WAC 180-51-068	State subject and credit requirements for high school graduation – Students entering
Management Resources:	WAC 180-51-050 2019 – July Issue 2015 – April Issue	High school credit – Definition.

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