

**HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS****Notifications**

Requirements for graduation and specified alternative means for completing the prescribed course of study shall be made available to students, parents/guardians, and the public. (Education Code 51225.3) **(See attached Exhibit of diploma options for the Class of 2019.)**

*(cf. 6146.11 - Alternative Credits Toward Graduation)*

*(cf. 6145.6 - International Exchange)*

*(cf. 6146.2 - Certificate of Proficiency/High School Equivalency)*

In the annual notification sent to parents/guardians pursuant to Education Code 48980, the Superintendent or designee shall include the following:  
(Education Code 48980)

1. Information about district high school graduation requirements and how each requirement satisfies or does not satisfy the subject matter requirements for admission to the California State University and the University of California
2. A complete list of career technical education courses offered by the district that satisfy the subject matter requirements for admission to the California State University and the University of California, and which of the specific college admission requirements these courses satisfy

*(cf. 5145.6 - Parental Notifications)*

*(cf. 6143 - Courses of Study)*

*(cf. 6178 - Career Technical Education)*

*(cf. 6178.2 - Regional Occupational Center/Program)*

**Special Issuance of Diplomas**

**Students who complete Pasadena Unified School District graduation requirements while enrolled in the District home/hospital teaching program shall be granted a diploma from their Pasadena Unified School District high school of residence. Students enrolled in a state-certified special education nonpublic school shall be granted a diploma from the District.**

**Students who successfully complete the district's graduation requirements while attending a juvenile court school shall be issued a diploma from the school the student last attended or, in the alternative, the county superintendent of schools may issue the diploma. (Education Code 48645.5)**

**HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS****Attendance and Diploma Provisions for Non-Graduating Students**

Students continually enrolled but not graduating with their class have until the summer of that year to complete their credits in summer school or adult school to receive their diploma from their high school.

Students who have completed their 8th semester of high school without completing the high school graduation requirements of courses/credits may continue attending Pasadena Unified for two more semesters. Students who complete high school in summer school immediately following their 8<sup>th</sup> semester will receive a diploma from their high school.

Students who enroll in the alternative high school for the academic year following their 8<sup>th</sup> semester will receive their diploma from the alternative high school.

A student who does not graduate with his/her class will be placed at the alternative high school program unless it is determined by the principal that an placement in the home school would be in the student's best interest.

Students will need to submit a request in writing to their principal in order to continue. Principals will consider the following criteria for acceptance and placement:

1. Number of credits remaining to be fulfilled
2. Student citizenship, discipline and attendance record of 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> semesters of high school
3. Whether the student lives in the PUSD attendance area

Students who are accepted for an extended high school opportunity are expected to complete graduation requirements in effect for their original graduating class.

The Board of Education will be provided an annual update of all students returning for the 5<sup>th</sup> year high school, where they attend, and their completion details.

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