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The Board of Education shall award a State-endorsed high school diploma to any currently enrolled a pupil in accordance with the provisions of N.J.A.C. 6A:8-52 (e) who has not completed the twelfth grade.

In accordance with the provisions of N.J.A.C. 6A:8-5.2(e), a State-endorsed high school diploma will be awarded early by the Board of Education to any currently enrolled pupil who:

- 1. Has performed at a proficient or advanced proficient level of achievement in all sections of the HSPA or applicable High School Competency Assessments achieved proficiency, in accordance with the cutoff score as determined by the state, on the required state assessment or its approved substitute assessment;
- 2. Has presented official transcripts showing at least thirty general education credits leading to a degree at an accredited institution of higher education; and
- 3. Has formally requested an early award of a State-endorsed high school diploma.

The diploma will bear the date of its issuance. The pupil may be permitted to participate in graduation ceremonies with his/her classmates without formal readmission to the school district on application to and approval of the high school Principal.

N.J.S.A. 18A:7C-1 et seq.

N.J.A.C. 6A:8-5.1 et seg.; 6A:8-5.2 et seg.

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