

Instruction**BP 6162.52 (a)****HIGH SCHOOL EXIT EXAMINATION**

The Governing Board desires to ensure that district students who graduate from high school can demonstrate grade-level competency in reading, writing and mathematics and are given the opportunity to learn the subjects covered in the high school exit examination.

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that district programs and services, including but not limited to instructional materials, staff development and remediation programs, are aligned with the exit exam.

The Superintendent or designee shall administer the exit exam as required by law for high school graduation. (Education Code 60850)

(cf. 6146.1 - High School Graduation Requirements)

(cf. 6162.5 - Student Assessment)

(cf. 6162.54 - Test Integrity/Test Preparation)

Students who do not demonstrate sufficient progress toward passing the exit exam shall be provided necessary supplemental instruction necessary to assist the students to succeed on the exam. (Education Code 60851)

(cf. 6177 - Summer School)

(cf. 6179 - Supplemental Instruction)

Accommodations for Students with Disabilities

A student with a disability shall be permitted to take the exit exam with any accommodations or modifications provided for testing as specified in his/her individualized education program (IEP) adopted pursuant to the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act or Section 504 plan adopted pursuant to the Rehabilitation Act of 1973. (Education Code 60850)

(cf. 6146.4 - Differential Graduation and Competency Standards for Students with Disabilities)

(cf. 6159 - Individualized Education Program)

(cf. 6164.6 - Identification and Education under Section 504)

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At the parent/guardian's request, the principal shall submit to the Board a request for a waiver of the requirement to successfully pass the exit exam for a student with a disability who has taken the exit exam with modifications that alter what the test measures and has received the equivalent of a passing score on one or more subject matter parts of the exam. The Board may waive the requirement for such a student if the principal certifies that the student has all of the following: (Education Code 60851)

1. An IEP or 504 plan in place that requires the accommodations or modifications to be provided to the student when taking the exit exam
2. Sufficient high school level coursework either satisfactorily completed or in progress in the district's high school level curriculum sufficient to have attained the skills and knowledge otherwise needed to pass the exit exam
3. An individual score report for the student showing that the student has received the equivalent of a passing score on the exam while using a modification that fundamentally alters what the exit exam measures as determined by the State Board of Education. A "modification" is defined as any variation in the assessment environment or process that fundamentally alters what the test measures or affects the comparability of scores.

Upon receiving the certification from the principal, the Board shall consider the waiver request in a timely manner.

(cf. 9321 - Closed Session Purposes and Agendas)

(cf. 9321.1 - Closed Session Actions and Reports)

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that English language learners are evaluated to determine if they possess sufficient English language skills at the time of the exam to be assessed with the test. (5 CCR 1217.5)

If a student does not possess sufficient English language skills to be assessed on the exam, the Superintendent or designee may defer the exam requirement for a period of up to 24 calendar months of enrollment in the California public school system until the student has completed six months of instruction in reading, writing and comprehension in the English language. (Education Code 60852)

Instruction**BP 6162.52 (c)**

HIGH SCHOOL EXIT EXAMINATION (continued)*Legal Reference:**EDUCATION CODE**35146 Closed sessions**37252 Summer school**51041 Evaluation of educational program**56101 Waiver of code or regulation**60810 Assessment of language development**60850-60859 Exit examination**CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5**1200-1220 High School Exit Examination**UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20**1400-1487 Individuals with Disabilities Education Act**UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 29**794 Rehabilitation Act of 1973 Section 504**COURT DECISIONS**Chapman v. California Department of Education, (2002, Northern. Dist. Of CA) No. C-01-1780 CRB**Management Resources:**STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION POLICY**#01-07 California High School Exit Examination: Waiver of Test Passage for Specific Special Education Students, December 2001**U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, OFFICE FOR CIVIL RIGHTS PUBLICATIONS**The Use of Tests as Part of High-Stakes Decision-Making for Students: A Resource Guide for Educators and Policy-Makers, December 2001*

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