

Eugene School District 4J

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Graduation Requirements

The district will establish graduation requirements that meet or exceed state requirements for the awarding of a high school diploma, a modified diploma and an extended diploma. The district also will establish criteria for an alternative certificate. The superintendent is responsible for establishing requirements and procedures to implement this policy.

Diploma

A standard diploma will be awarded to students who complete state and district graduation requirements, including credits, essential skills and personalized learning requirements.

Modified Diploma

A modified diploma will be awarded to students who have met state and district requirements for a modified diploma and have demonstrated an inability to meet the full set of academic standards for a high school diploma even with reasonable modifications and accommodations. To be eligible for a modified diploma, a student must have a documented history of an inability to maintain grade level achievement due to significant learning and instructional barriers, or have a documented history of a medical condition that creates a barrier to achievement. A modified diploma may only be awarded to a student with the approval of appropriate school and district personnel and the consent of the student's parent or guardian or of the student if 18 years of age or older. A student receiving a modified diploma is eligible to participate in graduation ceremonies.

Extended Diploma

An extended diploma will be awarded to students who have met state and district requirements for an extended diploma and have demonstrated an inability to meet the full set of academic standards for a high school diploma even with reasonable modifications and accommodations. To be eligible for an extended diploma, a student must have a documented history of an inability to maintain grade level achievement due to significant learning and instructional barriers, or have a documented history of a medical condition that creates a barrier to achievement. An extended diploma may only be awarded to a student with the approval of appropriate school and district personnel and the consent of the student's parent or guardian or of the student if 18 years of age or older. A student receiving an extended diploma is eligible to participate in graduation ceremonies.

Alternative Certificate

An alternative certificate will be awarded to students who have met state and district requirements for an alternative certificate and have demonstrated an inability to meet the requirements for a diploma, modified diploma or extended diploma even with reasonable accommodations and modifications. An alternative

certificate may be awarded to a regular education student, a student on an IEP, or a student on a 504 plan who meets these requirements. A decision for a student to receive an alternative certificate will be made by appropriate school and district personnel in consultation with the student's school team, which will include the parent/guardian. A student receiving an alternative certificate is eligible to participate in graduation ceremonies.

Early or Delayed Graduation

A student may satisfy graduation requirements in less than four years. A student who wishes to graduate from high school in less time than the usual grade 9-12 sequence may request permission to complete graduation requirements on an altered schedule. The student and his/her parents will consult with high school guidance personnel to develop a graduation plan. Their intention to accomplish this plan will be stated in writing to and approved by the school principal and district administration.

The district will award a diploma to a student who has fulfilled graduation requirements in less than four years upon the student's request and with the consent of the student's parent or guardian, if the student is under 18 years of age.

A student who has not fulfilled graduation requirements in four years of high school and is under 21 years of age will be provided an opportunity to complete requirements in a comprehensive high school or an approved alternative program.

Armed Forces

The district will issue a high school diploma, upon request, to a person who attended high school in the district but did not graduate due to service in the United States Armed Forces under circumstances specified in Oregon law, and who has met other requirements established in Oregon law, ORS 332.114.

END OF POLICY

Legal Reference(s):

[ORS 329.035](#)
[ORS 329.095](#)
[ORS 329.451](#)
[ORS 332.107](#)
[ORS 332.114](#)
[ORS 343.295](#)

[OAR 581-022-0615](#)
[OAR 581-022-0617](#)
[OAR 581-022-1130](#)
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TEST ADMINISTRATION MANUAL, APPENDIX L-REQUIREMENTS FOR ASSESSMENT OF ESSENTIAL SKILLS.