

**CERTIFICATE OF PROFICIENCY/HIGH SCHOOL EQUIVALENCY**

The Board of Trustees desires that every student have the opportunity to earn a high school diploma through successful completion of class work and examination. However, when a student is unable to do so, the Board encourages completion of an alternative program that allows him/her to obtain an equivalent certificate.

*(cf. 5147 - Dropout Prevention)*  
*(cf. 6146.1 - High School Graduation Requirements)*  
*(cf. 6162.52 - High School Exit Examination)*  
*(cf. 6200 - Adult Education)*

Eligible persons may obtain a certificate of proficiency or a high school equivalency certificate in accordance with law, Board policy and administrative regulation.

The Superintendent or designee shall make information available to interested persons regarding the eligibility and examination requirements of each program.

*(cf. 6164.2 - Guidance/Counseling Services)*

*Legal Reference:*

- EDUCATION CODE
- 48400-48403 *Persons subject to compulsory continuation education*
- 48410 *Persons exempt from continuation classes*
- 48412 *Certificate of proficiency; examination fees*
- 48413 *Enrollment in continuation classes*
- 48414 *Reenrollment in district*
- 51420-51427 *High school equivalency certificate*
- CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5
- 11520-11523 *Proficiency examination and certificate*
- 11530-11532 *High school equivalency certificate (GED)*

*Management Resources:*

- CDE PUBLICATIONS
- Adult Education Handbook for California, 1997*
- WEB SITES
- CDE, GED Office: <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ged>*
- CDE, High School Proficiency: <http://www.cde.ca.gov/statetests/chspe>*