

### **Alternative Credits Toward Graduation**

In order to meet individual student needs and encourage all students to complete their high school education, the Governing Board desires to provide flexibility in the completion of prescribed courses in accordance with law.

(cf. 6146.1 - High School Graduation Requirements)

(cf. 6146.3 - Reciprocity on Standards of Proficiency/Graduation Requirements)

As an alternative to completing the course requirements for high school graduation, students may fulfill one or more of the course requirements through:

1. Challenge Examinations.

(cf. 6155 - Challenging Courses by Examinations)

2. Supervised work experience up to 40 semester periods in accordance with 5 CCR 1635, or other outside school experience.

(cf. 6178.1 - Work Experience Education)

3. Vocational education classes offered in high schools.

(cf. 6178 - Vocational Education)

4. Courses offered by regional occupational centers or programs.

5. Interdisciplinary study.

6. Independent study

(cf. 6158 - Independent Study)

7. Credit earned at a postsecondary institution.

8. Military service and training in accordance with 5 CCR 1634.

9. Correspondence instruction from a an accredited California university/college.

10. The district shall accept for credit any coursework satisfactorily completed by students while detained in a juvenile court school or county or state-operated institution. District students who successfully complete district graduation requirements while so detained shall receive a diploma from the school they last attended. (Education Code 48645.5)

(cf. 5121 - Grades/Evaluation of Student Achievement)

(cf. 6142.7 - Physical Education)

(cf. 6145.2 - Athletic Competition)

The Superintendent or designee shall determine whether a student has satisfactorily met course requirements through any of the above alternative means.

Legal Reference:

#### EDUCATION CODE

35160 Authority of governing boards

35160.1 Broad authority of school districts

48645.5 Course credit, juvenile court schools

48800-48802 Attendance at community college; advanced education

51220 Areas of study; grades 7-12

51225.3 Requirements for graduation

51241-51246 Exemptions from requirements

51740-51741 Authority to provide instruction by correspondence

51938 Parental excuse from sexual education or HIV/AIDS prevention education

#### CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

1600-1635 Alternative credit

Management Resources:

#### CDE PROGRAM ADVISORIES

0418.89 Physical Education, April 18, 1989

0615.89 Granting credit for passing GED, SPB:88/89-11

#### WEB SITES

CDE: <http://www.cde.ca.gov>

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