

**High School Exit Examination**

Parent/Guardian Request For Waiver Of The Requirement To Successfully Pass The High School Exit Examination For A Student With Disabilities

Please return the completed form to the principal of your child's high school.

My child \_\_\_\_\_ [name] \_\_\_\_\_ is a student with disabilities attending \_\_\_\_\_ [name of high school] \_\_\_\_\_. He/she has taken the high school exit examination with modifications that alter what the test measures and has received the equivalent of a passing score on one or more parts of the exam.

I hereby request that the principal submit a request to the Governing Board for a waiver of the requirement that my child successfully pass the exit examination in order to receive a high school diploma.

I understand that, in order to receive such a waiver, state law requires that my child possess all of the following:

1. An individualized education program (IEP) adopted pursuant to the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act or a plan adopted pursuant to Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 that requires the modification to be provided when taking the high school exit exam
2. Sufficient high school level course work 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 showing that my child 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

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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HIGH SCHOOL EXIT EXAMINATION

Principal's Certification and Request For The Governing Board

To Waive The Requirement To Successfully Pass

The High School Exit Examination

For A Student With Disabilities

Pursuant To Education Code 60851

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Number (for use on open session agenda): \_\_\_\_\_

The parent/guardian of \_\_\_\_\_ [student's name] \_\_\_\_\_, a child with disabilities, has requested that the Governing Board waive the requirement that his/her child successfully pass the high school exit examination in order to receive a diploma from \_\_\_\_\_ (name of high school) \_\_\_\_\_. His/her child has taken the high school exit examination with a modification, as determined by the State Board of Education, that fundamentally alters what the test measures and has achieved the equivalent of a passing score on one or both parts of the exam.

I certify that the student qualifies for a waiver because he/she satisfies all of the following conditions:

1. Has an individualized education program (IEP) adopted pursuant to the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act or Section 504 plan that requires the modification to be provided to the student when taking the high school exit examination. (Attach the IEP or 504 plan that indicates the modification needed to participate and access the high school exit exam.)

a. Describe the nature of the student's disability as identified on the IEP or 504 plan:

b. Describe the modification used on the English/language arts section of the exam and/or the math section of the exam:

c. List the rationale as to why the modification used was necessary to allow the student to access the test:

2. Has sufficient high school level course work either satisfactorily completed or in progress in the \_\_\_\_\_ (name of high school) \_\_\_\_\_ curriculum sufficient to have attained the skill and knowledge otherwise needed to pass the high school exit examination. (Attach transcript showing course work completed.)

a. Summarize the student's academic preparation and performance that demonstrates high school level achievement:

3. Has an individual score report showing that he/she has achieved the equivalent of a passing score on the exit exam (350 or more points) using a modification that fundamentally alters what the exam measures. (Attach a copy of the exit exam Student and Parent Report showing "equivalent of a passing score" in either the English/language arts/and/or math portion of the exam.)

Certified by, Principal signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Exhibit FRESNO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

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