

High School Graduation Requirements for Students with Disabilities**Exemption from requirement to pass the California High School Exit Examination for specified students with disabilities. (Reference Education Code 60852.4)**

Commencing with the 2009-10 school year, the Board of Education shall grant a high school diploma to a pupil with a disability, who has not passed the high school exit examination if all of the following criteria exist:

1. The pupil has been provided over an extended time an individualized education program adopted pursuant to the federal Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (20 U.S.C. Sec. 1400 et seq.) or under a plan adopted pursuant to Section 504 of the federal Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. Sec. 794 (a)) and the student on a 504 or an IEP has a disability that directly relates to their inability to pass the California State High School Exit Examination
2. According to the individualized education program or the Section 504 plan of the pupil, the pupil is scheduled to receive a high school diploma.
3. The principal certifies that the pupil has satisfied or will satisfy all other state and local requirements for the receipt of a high school diploma, on or after July 1, 2009.
4. The pupil has attempted both sections of CAHSEE high school exit examination on multiple occasions as offered during their enrollment except where otherwise successfully passed, with the accommodations or modifications, if any, specified in the individualized education program or the Section 504 plan of the pupil.
5. No later than 30 days after the receipt of the diploma, the pupil, or the parent or legal guardian of the pupil if the pupil is a minor, has been notified in writing that the pupil is entitled to receive free appropriate public education up to and including the academic year during which the pupil reaches 22 years of age, or until they receive a passing score on the high school exit examination.