

# Santa Barbara Unified School District

## Administrative Regulation

**Instruction**

**AR 6146.1**

### **HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS**

#### **Notifications**

Requirements for graduation and specified alternative means for completing the prescribed course of study shall be made available to students, parents/guardians, and the public. (Education Code 51225.3)

*(cf. 6146.11 - Alternative Credits Toward Graduation)*

*(cf. 6145.6 - International Exchange)*

*(cf. 6146.2 - Certificate of Proficiency/High School Equivalency)*

In the annual notification sent to parents/guardians pursuant to Education Code 48980, the Superintendent or designee shall include the following: (Education Code 48980)

1. Information about district high school graduation requirements and how each requirement satisfies or does not satisfy the subject matter requirements for admission to the California State University and the University of California
2. A complete list of career technical education courses offered by the district that satisfy the subject matter requirements for admission to the California State University and the University of California, and which of the specific college admission requirements these courses satisfy

Specific course descriptions and alternative courses to complete subject requirements are available in the District's High School Information Handbook and Course Catalog.

*(cf. 5145.6 - Parental Notifications)*

*(cf. 6143 - Courses of Study)*

*(cf. 6146.11 - Alternative Credits Toward Graduation)*

*(cf. 6178 - Career Technical Education)*

*(cf. 6178.2 - Regional Occupational Center/Program)*

#### **Alternative School Students**

Students who enroll in district alternative schools such as the independent study school or the continuation school for credit recovery, and wish to graduate from the high school they attended prior to the alternative school, must transfer and complete the semester of graduation at that high school.

#### **Alternative Means of Completing Algebra Requirements**

California Education Code 51225.3 and 51224.5 establish that the adopted course of study for grades 7 through 12 shall include Algebra as part of the mathematics area of study. These sections of the California Education Code specify the minimum set of courses required for high school graduation, including one-year completion of coursework that meets or exceeds the academic content standards for Algebra 1.

1. Practical demonstration of skill and competencies,
2. Supervised work experience or other outside school experience,
3. Career technical education classes offered in high schools,

4. Courses offered by regional occupational centers or programs,
5. Interdisciplinary study,
6. Independent study, and
7. Credit earned at postsecondary institution.

Completion of Algebra I content standards for a student with an Individual Education Plan (IEP) or a 504 accommodation plan shall be verified by the IEP/504 team and approved by the Superintendent or his/her designee, in accordance with the student's specially designed instructional program. For all other students, completion of the Algebra I coursework requirements shall be verified and approved by the Superintendent or his/her designee.

*(cf. 6011 – Academic Standards)*

*(cf. 6142.92 – Mathematics Instruction)*

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