

1 **Browning Public Schools**

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3 Policy # 4520

4 Policy Name: Receipt of Diploma

5 **Regulation:** -----

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7 The Board of Trustees shall recognize the accomplishments of students by awarding a diploma to
8 each student who has successfully completed an instructional program that meets the District
9 standards and /or the requirements identified in the student’s individual education plan or 504 plan.

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11 **Ceremony Participation**

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13 Students and parents or guardians of students at risk for failing to complete high requirements for
14 participation in graduation will be notified at the end of the student’s junior year. Additional
15 notification will also take place at the end of the semester prior to the anticipated graduation date. It
16 is the responsibility of the high school principal to ensure that the required documentation for
17 graduation is culminated and that the student and their parent have received multiple notification of
18 risk for failure to graduate and the final determination.

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20 Students who complete their graduation requirements after the deadline will not be allowed to
21 participate in the ceremony. However, the Superintendent and/or the High School principal shall
22 meet with the student at an approved time and present the student with their diploma.

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24 **Diploma Differentiation**

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26 All students graduating with honors or demonstrating having mastered academically challenging
27 curriculum according to standards established by the high school principal, will be presented with a
28 diploma affixed with a gold seal to indicate recognition for the student’s strong academic effort.

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30 ~~Students with disabilities that have resulted in the student completing his or her high school course~~
31 ~~work based on significant variations in the core high school curriculum as mandated by an individual~~
32 ~~education plan will receive a diploma. A minor language variation from a standard diploma will~~
33 ~~occur noting that the Board recognizes that the student has achieved the educational goals identified~~
34 ~~to address the individual educational needs.~~

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38 **Cross Reference:** #4500 Graduation
39 #4510 Early Graduation
40 Former Policy #710.5

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42 **Legal Reference:** 20-5-201 Duties and Sanctions

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45 **Policy History:**

46 Adopted on: 8/28/96

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