

5.0210.30 Honorary Diplomas

Existing Policy	Recommended Policy
None	<p data-bbox="370 338 764 373">5.0210.30 Honorary Diplomas</p> <p data-bbox="370 449 1515 636">Duchesne County Board of Education may choose on a case-by-case basis to award an honorary diploma to citizens of Duchesne County who did not graduate from District high schools. This may include veterans of World War II, the Korean War, and the Vietnam War. Because veterans of more recent conflicts were required to have a high school diploma in order to enter the military, they are not addressed in Utah legislation.</p> <p data-bbox="370 674 1495 821">Individuals, their family members, or representatives who are interested in receiving an honorary diploma, for themselves or someone else, shall request an honorary diploma from a school or district official. In addition to information identifying the individual, the school/district may require:</p> <ol data-bbox="418 856 1498 1199" style="list-style-type: none"><li data-bbox="418 856 1455 930">1. A brief biographical sketch of the nominee including their education, service, career, accomplishments, and awards.<li data-bbox="418 936 1498 1010">2. A brief summary listing how the nominee has met the requirements specified by Utah Code.<li data-bbox="418 1016 1490 1199">3. If applicable, verification from the Department of Veterans and Military Affairs certifying that the nominee served in the armed forces of the United States during the period of World War II, the Korean War, or the Vietnam War and that the nominee was honorably discharged; or was released from active duty because of a service-related disability. <p data-bbox="370 1241 1458 1314">Honorary diplomas may be awarded as part of the yearly graduation ceremonies for District high schools or at other times as decided by school/district officials.</p> <p data-bbox="370 1352 1495 1499">On a case-by-case basis the Duchesne County Board of Education can choose to award an honorary diploma to other citizens of Duchesne County who did not graduate from district high schools. The Board or a designee will determine the criteria for awarding honorary diplomas but may consider these:</p> <ul data-bbox="418 1535 1498 1759" style="list-style-type: none"><li data-bbox="418 1535 1498 1608">● An individual who has made a notable contribution of time, talents, or resources to an individual school or the community.<li data-bbox="418 1614 1369 1650">● An individual who inspires and encourages current and past students.<li data-bbox="418 1656 1325 1692">● A community member who achieves state or national prominence.<li data-bbox="418 1698 1430 1759">● A member of the business, civic, health, education, or philanthropic community that has made a significant contribution to the local community. <p data-bbox="370 1797 716 1833">Legal Reference Synopsis</p> <p data-bbox="370 1839 1336 1875">Utah Code 53A-3-427 Honorary High School Diploma for Certain Veterans</p>