

5.0210.30 Honorary Diplomas

Existing Policy	Recommended Policy
None	<p data-bbox="375 338 764 373">5.0210.30 Honorary Diplomas</p> <p data-bbox="375 449 1511 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="375 674 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="423 858 1495 1199" style="list-style-type: none"><li data-bbox="423 858 1455 926">1. A brief biographical sketch of the nominee including their education, service, career, accomplishments, and awards.<li data-bbox="423 936 1495 1003">2. A brief summary listing how the nominee has met the requirements specified by Utah Code.<li data-bbox="423 1014 1487 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="375 1236 1455 1304">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="375 1341 1495 1493">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="423 1530 1495 1755" style="list-style-type: none"><li data-bbox="423 1530 1495 1598">• An individual who has made a notable contribution of time, talents, or resources to an individual school or the community.<li data-bbox="423 1608 1365 1644">• An individual who inspires and encourages current and past students.<li data-bbox="423 1654 1325 1690">• A community member who achieves state or national prominence.<li data-bbox="423 1692 1430 1755">• A member of the business, civic, health, education, or philanthropic community that has made a significant contribution to the local community. <p data-bbox="375 1793 716 1829">Legal Reference Synopsis</p> <p data-bbox="375 1835 1333 1871">Utah Code 53A-3-427 Honorary High School Diploma for Certain Veterans</p>