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DISTRICT GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Students graduating from District high schools shall have earned 26 credits to participate in graduation ceremonies. To receive a diploma, the students have passed all portions of the Texas Assessment of Academic Skills in addition to the credit requirements. Those students who have completed the credit requirements but have not passed the TAAS requirement shall receive a Certificate of Coursework Completion.

Students enrolled in the AIM high school program may graduate under the requirements of the ECISD Graduation Program or other graduation programs of the District and shall have accumulated at least 23 credits if graduating prior to December, 1999. Students enrolled in the School-Within-A School program at the two high schools prior to December 31, 1997, shall graduate with 23 credits. Beginning January 1, 2000, graduating students from the District's Graduation Program shall have accumulated at least 26 credits.

Students graduating from District high schools shall earn the required credits for graduation as specified in EIF (EXHIBIT C) and meet the state-mandated testing requirement. All high school students enrolled in the District are expected to fulfill graduation requirements through completion of the Recommended Program or the Distinguished Achievement Program. Graduation under the Minimum High School Program will be granted in exceptional cases and will require a meeting of the parent/guardian, counselor, and principal. [See EJ (LEGAL) and EJ (LOCAL)]

CERTIFICATE OF COURSEWORK COMPLETION

Students who have completed credit requirements but have not passed all portions of the exit-level state-mandated test shall receive a Certificate of Coursework Completion and will be allowed to participate in graduation ceremonies.

ECISD REQUIRED GRADUATION PROGRAM-

Students enrolled in the high schools and Career Center programs shall all meet the requirements as outlined in EIF (EXHIBITS A-F).

SOPHOMORE CLASS-OF 1995-96

Students graduating in the District graduation program who received credit for informal geometry as sophomores during the 1995-96 school year may use the credit to satisfy one of the three mathematics credits required for graduation. This regulation provides an exception in mathematics courses required for graduation and applies only to the 1995-96 sophomore class.

RECOMMENDED HIGH-SCHOOL PROGRAM

Beginning with the graduation class of 1999-2000, students will be eligible for the Recommended High School program which requires a minimum of 26 credits. [See EIF (EXHIBIT B)]

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In addition, the Advanced High School Program and the Advanced

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High School Program with Honors will be replaced by the

Distinguished Achievement Program. Students choosing to follow
the Distinguished Achievement Program shall complete a minimum
of 26 credits. In addition, the students must complete advanced
measures approved by the State Board of Education. [See EIF
(EXHIBITS A-F)]