

High School Graduation Requirements

Public Act No. 24-45, Sections 9 and 10

Mastery-Based Diploma Assessment

Beginning with the graduating class of 2027, the Act <u>eliminates the option</u> for BOEs to require a one-credit mastery-based diploma assessment in order to graduate from high school.

Personal Financial Management and Financial Literacy

Under existing law, beginning with the graduating class of 2027, students are required to complete a one-half credit in personal financial management and financial literacy, which could count toward the students' humanities or elective credits. This personal finance requirement can now count towards students' STEM credit requirement.



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Community Service

Under existing law, BOEs may offer one-half credit in community service which, if satisfactorily completed under certain conditions, qualifies for high school graduation credit. Partisan political activities may now qualify as community service.

Physical Education

A <u>physician's assistant</u>, in addition to a physician or APRN, may now write a certificate to excuse a student from participation in physical education if it is medically contraindicated by the student's physical condition.



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FAFSA

Each student in the graduating class of 2027, <u>rather than the class of 2025</u>, must complete (1) a FAFSA or (2) a waiver for such requirement in order to graduate.

In addition, students who (1) are enrolled in an incorporated or endowed high school or academy and (2) hold an F-1 visa are exempt from this requirement.

