



CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT OF ALBANY GRADUATION AND PARTICIPATION IN GRADUATION CEREMONIES

In order to graduate from the City School District of the City of Albany, a student must complete or may exceed the requirements set forth in Part 100 of the Commissioner of Education Regulations. The Board of Education reserves the right to establish requirements for graduation, which exceed the minimum standards as defined by the Board of Regents.

In order to participate in graduation ceremonies, the building principal must certify that the student has met the requirements for a Regents Diploma, a local diploma, an IEP diploma or an IEP Certificate. For the 1999-2000 school year only, students who have completed all but one (1) credit or a fraction thereof of the total number of credits necessary for graduation or students who have completed all course requirements for graduation and all but one (10) New York State exit examination (required Regents examinations or Regents Competency Tests) will be permitted to participate in the graduation ceremony if the credit or fraction thereof or exit examination may be completed through a pre-approved summer school program. Effective in the 2000-2001 school year and in each school year thereafter, only those students who have successfully completed all graduation requirements prior to the graduation ceremony may participate in the ceremony.

Beginning with the 2001-2003 school year, the school district may hold additional graduation ceremonies in August and January in addition to the June graduation ceremony. The superintendent of schools, in consultation with the high school principal, shall determine if such additional ceremonies are needed on a yearly basis. Upon completion of the graduation requirements, a student may choose to participate in an August or January graduation ceremony, if such ceremony is to be held during that particular school year.

An official school diploma shall only be issued based upon the completion of the Regents or local diploma requirements.