

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF NEW LONDON

ADMINISTRATIVE GUIDELINE 345.61 - EARLY GRADUATION

In order for a student to be eligible for early graduation, he/she must follow the stated guidelines and meet the stipulations indicated:

1. A student must meet with a counselor and submit the official Student Request for Early Graduation form by October 1 of the year the student intends to graduate. Post-secondary plans must be included in the request.
2. If the student is a minor, the student's parent(s)/guardian(s) must also sign the Student Request for Early Graduation form.
3. The request must be approved by the principal of the high school and the Board of Education.
4. All financial obligations owed to the school must be met.
5. All schedule changes needed to accommodate early graduation need to be approved by the high school principal/designee.
6. Students approved for early graduation will be considered for any state scholarships or those granted by the School District of New London for which they are eligible under the following guidelines:
 - a. Scholarship money awarded will not be made available until the successful completion of the first semester and proof of enrollment for second semester in a post-high school institution.
 - b. Students are responsible for contacting the school for any or all scholarship information and applications.
 - c. Students wishing to be considered for scholarship money must complete each application following the guidelines as established for that scholarship.

The early graduate will receive a transcript that indicates all requirements for a high school diploma have been satisfied for the purpose of enrolling in a post-secondary educational program. If the early graduate wants to participate in the spring commencement ceremony, they must so inform the principal. All diplomas will be issued at that time.

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CROSS-REFERENCE: Policy 345.61 Early Graduation
Exhibit 1 Student Request for Early Graduation
Policy 345.6 High School Graduation

LEGAL REFERENCE: Section 118.33 Wisconsin Statutes
Section 121.02 (1) (p) Wisconsin Statutes
PI 18, Wisconsin Administrative Code