

iLEAD Agua Dulce Graduation Policy

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HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA

The term "regular high school diploma" is defined as a diploma fully aligned to grade-level standards. Students typically complete mandated academic courses to receive a standard high school diploma. California Education Code 51225.3 defines the mandated high school courses needed to earn a regular high school diploma.

iLEAD Agua Dulce has chosen to provide differentiated diploma options. These alternatives not only address the mandated high school courses needed to earn a regular high school diploma, but also offer a diploma based on A-G requirements that provide greater access to college and exceed the state's minimum requirements. IB diploma programme requirements will be adjusted as dictated by IB.

iLEAD Agua Dulce Graduation Requirements

High School Subject Area	Basic Instruction: Graduation Requirements	CSU/UC Graduation Requirements	IB Diploma Program Path Graduation Requirements	Certificate of Completion (EC Section 56390)
English	3 Years (30cr)	4 Years (40cr)	4 Years (40cr)	award a learner with a disability a COC if the following requirements, (a),(b), or (c) are met. a. The learner has satisfactorily completed a prescribed alternative course of study approved by the governing board of iLEAD Agua Dulce b. The learner has satisfactorily met his or her IEP goals and objectives during high school as determined by the IEP program team. c. The learner has satisfactorily attended high school, participated in the instruction under his or her IEP, and has met the objectives of the statement of
Math	2 Years (20cr) Algebra 1 required	3 Years (30cr) Geometry or Integrated Math 2 required	4 Years (40cr) Including Math Analysis and Approaches, SL Year 1 and SL Year 2 (may be 5 years if used Integrated Math 1)	
Science	2 Years (20cr) Biological Sci lab recommended (10cr) Physical Sci (10cr)	2 Years required (3 recommended) Biological Science with lab(10cr) Physical Science with lab(10cr)	4 Years (40cr) Including Biology SL or Physics SL Year 1 and 2	
History/Soc Studies	3 Years (30cr) World History (10cr) U.S. History (10cr) American Govt (5cr) And Economics (5cr)	3 Years (30cr) World History (10cr) U.S. History (10cr) American Govt (5cr) And Economics (5cr)	4 Years (40cr) World History/Modern Civ; IB History of The Americas Yr 1 and Yr 2 (HL); U.S. Government (5cr); Economics (5cr)	
Language other than English	1 Year (10cr)	2 Years (3 recommended) must be in the same language (20cr)	4 Years (40cr) Including SL Year 1 and Year 2	transition services.
Visual and Performing	OR	1 Year (10cr) VAPA Options: dance,	4 Years (40cr) Including HL Year 1 and HL	

Arts/ CTE Physical Education	1 Year (10 cr) 1 Year (10 cr)	drama/theater, music,visual arts (same VAPA 10cr) 1 Year (10cr)	Year 2 1 Year (10cr)	
Electives	Various Electives College and Career Prep (60cr)	A-G Electives (10cr) Various Electives College and Career (70cr)	Required for IB Diploma Candidates (20cr): Creative Action Service (CAS) Extended Essay (EE) Theory of Knowledge (TOK)	
			Various Electives College and Career Prep (10cr)	
Total Credits	180 Credits	240 Credits	280 Credits	

GRADUATION REQUIREMENT EXEMPTION

Under Ed. Code 51225.1, the following learners may be exempted from iLEAD Agua Dulce's graduation requirements under specific circumstances:

- Foster Youth
- Homeless Youth
- Former Juvenile Court Youth

- Children of Military Families
- Migrant Youth
- Newcomer Youth

Should a learner in one of the above groups meet the requirements under EC 51225.1, school counselor will work with the learners who will either choose to:

- Complete a 5th year at iLEAD Agua Dulce in order to meet iLEAD Agua Dulce diploma requirements, OR
- Complete the iLEAD Agua Dulce Graduation Requirement Exemption waiver to become eligible for a diploma under California's minimum graduation requirements.

iLEAD Agua Dulce shall ensure a learner who meets the criteria under EC 51225.1, shall be eligible to participate in any graduation ceremony and any school activity related to graduation in which a graduating learner of a similar age would be eligible to participate.

CERTIFICATE OF COMPLETION (COC)

The COC option is available to learners who cannot complete the requirements for a regular high school diploma that iLEAD Agua Dulce offers. These learners are eligible for educational placement and services under their IEP. The COC option **does not** equal a regular high school diploma. The graduation option that the IEP team chooses shall be documented clearly as part of the Transition Plan, as well as marked on the IEP's offer of Free and Appropriate Public Education (FAPE)/Educational Settings page.

IEP teams can waive academic courses the learner attempted prior to being identified as progressing towards a COC. Conversely, while a learner is progressing towards a COC, IEP teams should convene to analyze factors preventing a learner from successfully completing a required academic course. The IEP team should evaluate if the IEP goals, services, and supports are reasonably calculated, and if the learner will receive further educational benefit through repeating a specific course. While learners may have access to the general education curriculum, most learners receiving a COC participate in California's Alternate Assessment testing system, which is documented on the IEP's Statewide

Assessment page.

A learner with a disability who has satisfied the following three requirements, but who has not satisfied the requirements for a diploma, may receive a COC:

- Satisfactory completion of a prescribed alternative course of study as identified on the student's IEP; or
- Satisfactory achievement of the student's IEP goals and objectives during high school as determined by the IEP team; or
- Satisfactory high school attendance, participation in the instruction prescribed in the student's IEP, and achievement of the objectives stated in the transition plan.

iLEAD Agua Dulce shall ensure a learner with disabilities who meets the criteria specified above shall be eligible to participate in any graduation ceremony and any school activity related to graduation in which a graduating learner of a similar age without disabilities would be eligible to participate. In addition, iLEAD Agua Dulce shall ensure that the learner will continue to have access to special education and related supports and services until the learner meets iLEAD Agua Dulce's criteria to receive a high school diploma or until age 22.