Veterans Diploma Program

A person may be awarded a diploma under this policy even though he or she has not satisfied the diploma or graduation requirements of the district.

In order to be considered for a full high school diploma, a person must complete an application for a "WW II Veterans" high school diploma and submit a copy of his or her honorable discharge papers attached to the application to the Division of Human Resources. Such person may submit any other information relating to his or her academic performance and community service in the district or elsewhere that may aid the district administrator and school board in considering this request.

To be eligible to receive a high school diploma under this policy:

- A. The person must either:
 - 1. Have attended the secondary school or attended a secondary school in the geographic area now served by the secondary school; or
 - 2. Currently reside in the geographic area served by the secondary school.
- B. The person must have:
 - 1. Served honorably on active duty in the U.S. armed forces during World War II between September 16, 1940, and December 31, 1946, and did not graduate from high school.
 - 2. Attended high school ranging from 1937-1946 with graduation class years of 1941-1950.

The Executive Director of Human Resources shall inform the superintendent as to whether a person requesting a diploma under this policy has satisfied the criteria. The board will consider a request for a diploma under this policy from any person who has been determined by the superintendent to satisfy the criteria. The board may also review and consider any information submitted by the person and any information in district records or public record relating to the person in deciding whether to grant a high school diploma under this policy.

Those qualifying veterans who have earned a GED are eligible for a high school diploma.

The diploma can be awarded posthumously.

The diploma shall be awarded to qualifying persons at the regular graduation ceremony for Dolores High School, the regularly scheduled board of education meeting closest to Veterans Day, or in a private manner, at the person's or family's choice.

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