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**Subject:** MODIFIED GRADUATION ELIGIBILITY UNDER AB 167/216, AB 1806 AND AB 2306

**Department and/or**

**Persons Concerned:** High School Administrators, Counselors and Registrars

**Explanation:**

Under the following Assembly Bills students in transition have special rights to help them remain on track for high school graduation:

- AB 167/216 students identified as foster youth
- AB 1806 students identified as living in homeless situations
- AB 2306 students transitioning from a juvenile court school

Students in transition (foster youth, students in homeless situations, and those transitioning from a juvenile court school) who transfer schools after their second year of high school may be eligible to graduate by completing the minimum California state graduation requirements if they are not reasonably able to complete all \_\_\_\_\_ School District graduation requirements by the end of their fourth year of high school. Completing second year of high school is defined as either a) completing two years of high school; or b) completing sufficient high school credits to be considered a high school junior or senior.

Students who graduate under AB 167/216, AB 1806, or AB 2306 do not have to complete additional \_\_\_\_\_ School District requirements.

Follow the steps below as outlined in the Modified Graduation Notification Letter to determine if a student is eligible for modified graduation under AB 167/216, AB 1806, or AB 2306:

1. Within 30 calendar days of student's enrollment, determine eligibility after careful review of student's education records. **Complete Part A of Modified Graduation Notification Letter.**
2. If student is eligible to meet modified graduation requirements under AB 167/216, AB 1806, or AB 2306, select graduation option. **Review Part B of the Modified Graduation Notification Letter:**
  - a. Attempt to graduate high school at the end of the fourth year by completing all school district graduation requirements. Students may attempt to accomplish this by concurrently enrolling in a community college, continuation school, or independent study program. Students may attempt to accomplish this by enrolling in district approved alternative methods for course completion.
  - b. Remain in high school for a fifth year, and complete all additional school district graduation requirements. The right to a fifth year of high school applies even if the student will be older than 18 years old during that additional school year. The student will be allowed to remain at the local high school and will not be required to transfer to a continuation school, independent study program, or adult school to complete the fifth year.
  - c. Graduate by completing California state requirements and accept AB 167/216, AB 1806, or AB 2306 eligibility. Please note that there are advantages and disadvantages to graduating under AB 167/216, AB 1806, or AB 2306. While a student may graduate with classmates and receive a regular high school diploma, they may sacrifice important learning opportunities that are necessary to succeed in high

education and employment. Students who graduate under AB 167/216, AB 1806, or AB 2306 are not eligible to apply directly to a California State University (CSU) or University of California (UC) school.  
\*Counselor/Registrar must complete Modified Graduation Academic Review if this option is selected.

3. Document selected graduation modification path by recording student and Educational Rights Holder's selection, signature, and initials on the Modified Graduation Notification Letter. **Complete Part C of the Modified Graduation Notification Letter.**
4. Provide the student with one copy of the Modified Graduation Notification Letter and Academic Review (if applicable) and place the original in the student's cumulative file.
5. Submit one copy of the completed document to \_\_\_\_\_ with the Modified Graduation Academic Review Worksheet (if applicable) within (5) business days of receiving signed form in order for correct information to appear on the student's transcript for graduation.

Should you have any questions concerning this information, please email \_\_\_\_\_ or call \_\_\_\_\_.

#### Attachments (2)

1. Modified Graduation Notification Letter
2. Modified Graduation Academic Review