

LCB File No. R118-07

PROPOSED REGULATION OF THE
STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

ADULT HIGH SCHOOL PROGRAMS

NAC 387.190 - Has been aligned with changes made for SB 535. And Supt. of Public Instruction decisions 7/3/07.

NAC 387.190 Adult high school ~~[diploma]~~ program for part-time enrollment of person withdrawn from high school. (NRS 385.080, 387.123)

1. A person who:

- (a) Is at least ~~[17]~~ 18 years of age *or meets the requirements of NAC 388.676 (3) (a)*;
- (b) Has not received his high school diploma; and
- (c) Is not currently enrolled in a high school,

↳ may be enrolled as a pupil in an adult high school ~~[diploma]~~ program designed to enable him to obtain a diploma.

2. A person who is 17 years of age but less than 18 years of age may enroll in an Adult High School program with permission from the Board of Trustees of the school district.

3. Before commencing a ~~[class within such a]~~ program, a school district must apply to the Department for permission to conduct the ~~[class]~~ program. The application must be made on a form provided by the Department and include:

- (a) the name(s) of the course(s) to be taught,
- (b) *and* the proposed beginning and ending dates for ~~[the]~~ each class. ~~[and the hours of instruction scheduled for the class.]~~

4. Applications will be approved or denied by the Superintendent of Public Instruction. The board of trustees of a school district may appeal to the State Board if their application for an adult program is denied, in whole or in part, by the Superintendent of Public Instruction.

5. A class may begin or end at any time during the school year.

6. ~~[A but the entire schedule of the class, reflecting all the days and hours of instruction, must be entered on the application]. An approved application will be in effect for a five (5) year period. The board of trustees of a school district must update the approved plan on an annual basis if any substantive changes are made within the program.~~

7. A school district that offers an adult high school ~~[diploma]~~ program shall offer a sufficient number of required and elective courses for a pupil enrolled in the program to obtain the credits necessary to receive an adult standard diploma. Such required and elective courses must include the content identified in the school district's approved curriculum.

NAC 389.688 Requirements for adult standard diploma. (NRS 385.080, 385.110)

1. A school district may award an adult standard diploma to a person who:

- (a) Withdrew from high school before his graduation and was not eligible to graduate with his class, or participated in an alternative program for the education of pupils at risk of dropping out of high school established by a school district pursuant to NRS 388.537;

(b) Has passed the proficiency examination which is administered to high school pupils pursuant to NRS 389.015;

(c) Has earned, in high school, *an adult high school program*, or in an alternative program for the education of pupils at risk of dropping out of high school established by a school district pursuant to NRS 388.537, or waived, the units of credit required in subsection 2; and

(d) Is ~~17~~ 18 years of age or older at the time of the award, *or 17 years of age with approval of the Board of Trustees.*

2. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, the units of credit which a person must have earned or waived to be qualified to receive an adult standard diploma are a total of 13 units for required courses and a total of 7 1/2 units for elective courses. The person must have earned or waived his units for the required courses in accordance with the following table:

Required Course	Minimum Number of Units	
American government.....	1	
American history.....	1	
Arts and humanities or occupational education.....	1	
English.....	4	
Health education.....	1/2	
Mathematics.....	3	
Science.....	2	
Use of computers.....	1/2	
TOTAL:		13

3. If a person demonstrates a competency in the use of computers, he is not required to complete the course in the use of computers and must earn or waive a total of 12 1/2 units in required courses.

NAC 389.690 Credit received for adult education applicable toward adult standard diploma. (NRS 385.080, 385.110)

1. Units of credit earned by a person through a program of adult education may be applied toward meeting the requirements for an adult standard diploma only if the course in which the units were earned was:

- (a) Taught in a school district of this State; or
- (b) Equivalent to a regular course offered in the high school where the diploma will be issued, and the course is approved by the principal of the high school for that purpose.

2. As used in this section, “adult education” means instruction or training provided at or below the level of a secondary school for persons who are:

- (a) Over ~~17~~ 18 years of age, *or 17 years of age with Board of Trustees permission and* who have not completed high school.
- (b) Sixteen years of age and authorized to attend a program of adult education pursuant to NAC 389.695.

NAC 389.694 Waiver of credits for adult standard diploma. (NRS 385.080, 385.448)

1. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, a person who is ~~17~~ **18** years of age or older, *or 17 years of age with permission from the Board of Trustees*, and who seeks an adult standard diploma may waive units of credit for English, mathematics, science and social studies by taking tests of his general educational development in these subjects. A person who seeks an adult standard diploma and who is enrolled in an alternative program for the education of pupils at risk of dropping out of high school established by a school district pursuant to NRS 388.537 may not waive any units of credit pursuant to this section.

2. The maximum number of credits which may be waived in the areas of English, mathematics and science must be based on the number of credits previously earned which meet the minimum requirements for course content outlined in NAC 389.450 to 389.511, inclusive, and the credits waived upon the completion of the General Educational Development Test.

3. Credits in elective courses may be waived only in the area of social studies. The maximum number of credits which may be waived in the area of social studies must be based on the General Educational Development Test.

4. The following table sets forth the scores which a person must achieve on the tests to waive credits in required and elective courses and the corresponding number of units which may be waived:

Subject	Designation of Test	Maximum Number of Units	
		For Score of 450 to 499.9	For Score of 500 or higher
English	I and IV (average)	2	4
Mathematics	V	1	3
Science	III	1	2
Social Studies	II	1	2