

**REVISED PROPOSED REGULATION OF THE
STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION**

LCB File No. R036-15

August 5, 2015

EXPLANATION – Matter in *italics* is new; matter in brackets ~~omitted material~~ is material to be omitted.

AUTHORITY: §§1-4, NRS 385.080 and 389.805.

A REGULATION relating to education; revising provisions relating to end-of-course examinations; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

Existing law requires a pupil to pass at least four end-of-course examinations in courses of study prescribed by the State Board of Education as a condition to receiving a high school diploma. (NRS 389.805) Existing regulations prescribe the end-of-course examinations for pupils scheduled to graduate at the end of the 2016-2017 school year and thereafter. (Sections 10 and 52 of LCB File No. R061-14) **Section 1** of this regulation removes the requirement that a pupil in the graduating cohort of 2019 pass one comprehensive end-of-course examination in English Language Arts in order to receive a standard high school diploma and instead requires such a pupil to pass end-of-course examinations in English Language Arts I and II. **Section 1** also removes the requirement that, in order to receive a standard high school diploma, such a pupil must pass end-of-course examinations in science and any additional subject area for which the State Board has adopted the common core standards and instead makes those end-of-course examinations a requirement for a pupil in the graduating cohort of 2020 or any year thereafter.

Existing regulations provide that a pupil who has enrolled in or has completed each course for which an end-of-course examination is approved is eligible to take the examination after entering grade 7. (Section 12 of LCB File No. R061-14) **Section 2** of this regulation revises this requirement to provide that such a pupil is eligible to take an end-of-course examination after entering grade 6.

Section 1. Section 10 of LCB File No. R061-14 is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 10. 1. A pupil in the graduating cohort of 2017 or 2018 must not be given a standard high school diploma until the pupil has passed:

(a) The Nevada End-Of-Course Examination in Mathematics I;

- (b) The Nevada End-Of-Course Examination in Mathematics II;
- (c) The Nevada End-Of-Course Examination in English Language Arts I; and
- (d) The Nevada End-Of-Course Examination in English Language Arts II.

2. For the purposes of subsection 1, a pupil shall be deemed to have passed an end-of-course examination if the pupil obtains at least the passing score published for the examination by the Department or:

- (a) Passes the course with which the examination is aligned, in accordance with any established grading policy of the school district or charter school, as applicable; and
- (b) Takes and makes a reasonable attempt to complete the examination.

3. A pupil in the graduating cohort of 2019 ~~for any year thereafter~~ must not be given a standard high school diploma until the pupil has passed:

- (a) The Nevada End-Of-Course Examination in Mathematics I;
- (b) The Nevada End-Of-Course Examination in Mathematics II;
- (c) The Nevada End-Of-Course Examination in English Language Arts ~~I~~ **I; and**
- (d) The Nevada End-Of-Course Examination in English Language Arts II.**

4. A pupil in the graduating cohort of 2020 or any year thereafter must not be given a standard high school diploma until the pupil has passed:

- (a) The Nevada End-Of-Course Examination in Mathematics I;**
- (b) The Nevada End-of-Course Examination in Mathematics II;**
- (c) The Nevada End-Of-Course Examination in English Language Arts;**
- (d) The Nevada End-Of-Course Examination in Science; and
- (e) ~~The~~ **Any other** end-of-course examination ~~in each additional subject area for which~~ **required by** the State Board ~~has adopted the common core standards.~~

~~—4.1~~ *which is applicable to a graduating cohort.*

5. Each edition of an end-of-course examination must be based upon the standards of content and performance established for the applicable course of study pursuant to NRS 389.520.

Sec. 2. Section 12 of LCB File No. R061-14 is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 12. After entering grade ~~7.1~~ 6, a pupil who is enrolled in or has completed each course for which an end-of-course examination is approved pursuant to section 11 of this regulation is eligible to take the examination.

Sec. 3. Section 55 of LCB File No. R061-14 is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 55. 1. This section and sections 1, 3, 4, 6 to 18, inclusive, 20, 22, 24, 27, 29, 31, 33, 36, 38 to 41, inclusive, 43, 44, 46, 48 and 50 and subsection 1 of section 54 of this regulation become effective on December 22, 2014.

2. Section 53 of this regulation becomes effective on January 1, 2015.

3. Sections 2, 5, 19, 21, 23, 25, 26, 28, 30, 32, 34, 35, 37, 42, 45, 47, 49 ~~4.1~~ and 51 ~~{and 52}~~ and subsection 2 of section 54 of this regulation become effective on the date on which the high school proficiency examination is no longer administered pursuant to sections 44 and 44.3 of Assembly Bill No. 288, chapter 506, Statutes of Nevada 2013, at page 3296.

Sec. 4. Section 52 of LCB File No. R061-14 is hereby repealed.

TEXT OF REPEALED SECTION

Sec. 52. Section 10 of LCB File No. R061-14 is hereby amended to read as follows:

- Sec. 10. 1. ~~[A pupil in the graduating cohort of 2017 or 2018 must not be given a standard high school diploma until the pupil has passed:~~
- ~~—(a) The Nevada End-Of-Course Examination in Mathematics I;~~
 - ~~—(b) The Nevada End-Of-Course Examination in Mathematics II;~~
 - ~~—(c) The Nevada End-Of-Course Examination in English Language Arts I; and~~
 - ~~—(d) The Nevada End-Of-Course Examination in English Language Arts II.~~
- ~~—2. For the purposes of subsection 1, a pupil shall be deemed to have passed an end-of-course examination if the pupil obtains at least the passing score published for the examination by the Department or:~~
- ~~—(a) Passes the course with which the examination is aligned, in accordance with any established grading policy of the school district or charter school, as applicable; and~~
 - ~~—(b) Takes and makes a reasonable attempt to complete the examination.~~
- ~~—3.]~~ A pupil ~~[in the graduating cohort of 2019 or any year thereafter]~~ must not be given a standard high school diploma until the pupil has passed:
- (a) The Nevada End-Of-Course Examination in Mathematics I;
 - (b) The Nevada End-Of-Course Examination in Mathematics II;
 - (c) The Nevada End-Of-Course Examination in English Language Arts;

(d) The Nevada End-Of-Course Examination in Science; and

(e) The end-of-course examination in each additional subject area for which the State

Board has adopted the common core standards.

~~4.1~~ 2. Each edition of an end-of-course examination must be based upon the standards of content and performance established for the applicable course of study pursuant to NRS 389.520.