High School Graduation Competencies

Course credit will be awarded through the demonstration of a student's evidencing of the competencies of the course. Grades and credit granted through demonstration of competence will be included in the student's grade point average. Students must be enrolled in the particular course in order to receive course credit.

"Competencies" means student learning targets that represent key content-specific concepts, skills, and knowledge applied within or across content domains. Specific and required types of competencies include district competencies and graduation competencies.

Students who are involved in an approved extended learning opportunity to satisfy course requirements in whole or in part shall demonstrate mastery through a method or methods as approved by the course instructor, as specified in Policy IHBH.

The Superintendent shall establish rules for implementing this policy in cooperation with the high school Principal and shall be responsible for ensuring that all high school courses include appropriate competency assessments. Competency Assessments will be selected, conducted, and reviewed in conjunction with the provisions of Policy ILBA.

Assessments shall be aligned with clearly defined educational standards that specify what students should know and be able to do. The assessment items and tasks shall be valid and appropriate representations of the standards students are expected to achieve.

Legal References:

Ed 306.02(d), Competencies Ed 306.02(g), District competencies

Ed 306.02(j), Graduation competencies

Ed 306.02(1), Mastery

Ed 306.04(a)(16), Tracking Achievement of Graduation Competencies

Ed 306.04(a)(25), (26), Graduation competencies

Ed 306.141(a)(6), Achievement of District and Graduation Competencies