CERTIFICATE FOR COMPLETION OF PRESCRIBED PROGRAM

Students who are disabled shall be issued diplomas or certificates as follows:

- 1. For every student receiving special education services, there will be consideration, during the Individualized Education Plan (IEP) Review/Revision session prior to the student's entry into ninth grade, as to this student's possibilities for achieving sufficient Carnegie units to earn a regular diploma.
- 2. The core curriculum for students who are seeking basic education and life skills development, which be called the "life skills" curriculum and will include, along with appropriate academic instruction, vocational orientation and training and the development of social skills.
- The IEP for the student who is to pursue the life skills curriculum will reflect this; even though academic instruction will continue each year in accordance with his/her instructional level and rate of achievement, this instruction will be aimed toward individual and vocational needs.
- 4. If the student is to pursue a regular diploma, the IEP will reflect this and special educational services will be provided to assist the student in reaching this goal.
- 5. At intervals, but at least annually, the student's IEP will be reviewed and revised as his/her current achievement and needs dictate. The possibility for change from regular diploma to life skills curriculum or from life skills curriculum to regular diploma curriculum will remain open.
- 6. Every student who completes an approved course of study by or before age 21 will receive a diploma or certificate and will be permitted to participate in graduation exercises.
- 7. Every student receiving a diploma will have met requirements of the State Accreditation Commission and the school district.

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