

Graduation and Special Education – Fall 2018



How can a student with a disability earn a diploma in Texas? The table below is an overview of the requirements outlined in [Commissioner’s Rule 89.1070](#) for students who entered grade 9 in or after 2014-15.

For text of the rule as effective February 2018 and other links and resources for graduation, see the Region 13 Leaving a Clear Trail LiveBinder: www.bit.ly/cleartrail

Level of support needed for the student to access the curriculum		
<p>Demonstrate mastery of the required state standards (TEKS) applicable to students in general education 89.1070 (b)(1) [accommodations only]</p> <p>1. Satisfactory performance on required state assessments (pass all EOCs)</p> <p>2. Failed no more than 2 required state assessments 89.1070 (d)</p> <p>Assessment options: <input type="checkbox"/> STAAR</p>	<p>Demonstrate mastery of the required state standards (TEKS) applicable to students in general education 89.1070 (b)(1) [accommodations only]</p> <p>Failed more than 2 required state assessments and the ARD committee determines satisfactory performance on the required state assessments is not necessary for graduation 89.1070 (b)(1)</p> <p>Assessment options: <input type="checkbox"/> STAAR</p>	<p>Demonstrate mastery of the required state standards (TEKS), one or more of which contain modified curriculum that is aligned to the standards applicable to students in general education 89.1070 (b)(2)</p> <p>1. Satisfactory performance on required state assessments (pass all EOCs)</p> <p>2. Failed no more than 2 required state assessments</p> <p>3. Failed more than 2 EOCs and the ARD committee determines satisfactory performance on the required state assessments is not necessary for graduation 89.1070 (b)(2)</p> <p><i>NOTE: Participation requirements for STAAR Alternate-2 indicate “intensive supports and modifications to the curriculum to access the Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills (TEKS) through prerequisite skills that are significantly below grade-level instruction.” A student who is eligible to take STAAR Alternate-2 would not be able to meet the requirements in TAC §89.1070 (c)(2) for an endorsement.</i></p> <p>Assessment options: <input type="checkbox"/> STAAR <input type="checkbox"/> STAAR Alternate - 2</p>
<p>Full time job [89.1070 (b)(2)(A)] and Employability/self-help skills [89.1070 (b)(2)(B)] contribute points toward College, Career, Military Readiness (CCMR) rates in state accountability. See PEIMS TSDS code table C062 (graduation-type) for corresponding codes.</p>		<p>+ Meet the requirements in their IEP</p> <p>+ Meet 1 of 4 conditions [89.1070 (b)(2)(A), (B), (C), or (D)]:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Full-time job <input type="checkbox"/> Employability/self-help skills</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Access to agency <input type="checkbox"/> Age 22</p> <p><i>NOTE: This student is eligible to continue for special education services beyond meeting credit/assessment requirements (18+)</i></p>
<p>Student can earn: <input type="checkbox"/> Foundation <i>only</i> <input type="checkbox"/> Foundation + Endorsements</p> <p>PEIMS TSDS code table C062: ➔ Graduation-type code 34</p>	<p>Student can earn: <input type="checkbox"/> Foundation <i>only</i></p> <div style="border: 1px dashed black; padding: 5px;"> <p>To earn an Endorsement, the student must meet <u>all</u> of the following requirements:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Earn credits required through TAC 74.12 and 74.13 (e) with or without modifications Earn credits required through TAC 74.13 (f) with NO modifications Pass the required state assessments or fail no more than 2 required state assessments 89.1070 (c), (d), and (e) </div> <p>➔ Graduation-type code 35</p>	<p>Student can earn: <input type="checkbox"/> Foundation <i>only</i> <input type="checkbox"/> Foundation + Endorsements (see box below)</p> <div style="border: 1px dashed black; padding: 5px;"> <p>To earn an Endorsement, the student must meet <u>all</u> of the following requirements:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Earn credits required through TAC 74.12 and 74.13 (e) with or without modifications Earn credits required through TAC 74.13 (f) with NO modifications Pass the required state assessments or fail no more than 2 required state assessments 89.1070 (c), (d), and (e) </div> <p>➔ Graduation-type codes 54, 55, 56, or 57</p>

Graduation options and requirements

About Individual Graduation Committees (IGC) and Special Education

“A student receiving special education services is not subject to the individual graduation committee requirements.” TAC §74.1025(n)
ARD committees should use TAC §89.1070 (d) for decisions about endorsements for students who *failed no more than 2* EOCs.

