

Through the passage of Act 155, the South Carolina General Assembly approved the removal of the exit exam as a requirement for graduation beginning with the graduating class of 2015. The elimination of the exit exam (BSAP/HSAP) requirement is retroactive to the graduating class of 1990.

A person no longer enrolled in a public school who was denied graduation solely for failing to meet the exit exam requirement may petition the local school board of trustees to determine his or her eligibility to receive a high school diploma.

If you believe this legislation applies to you, please contact your high school guidance department as follows:

T. L. Hanna High School

Robin Cathey
(864) 260-5248

Westside High School

Kristie Hill
(864) 260-5823

Counselors will pull records to verify that all graduation requirements were met with the exception of the exit examination. If this is the case, the school will submit your name to the school board to request that you be issued a high school diploma. Please also ensure that the guidance department has accurate contact information for you so that you can be contacted when the diploma is issued.

This process takes three to four weeks after the school board approves the petition.

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