

OGDENSBURG CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
OGDENSBURG, NEW YORK

SUBJECT: Final Review and Adoption of New Board of Education Policy #7221: Participation in Graduation Ceremonies and Activities

DATE: October 15, 2018

REASON FOR BOARD CONSIDERATION:

The Board of Education must review and approve all policies and regulations of the Ogdensburg City School District.


FACTS AND ANALYSIS:

The District will permit any student appropriate opportunities to earn a diploma or other exiting commencement credential in accordance with Commissioner's Regulations. New York State Law Section 3204 was amended to add Section 4-b, which requires districts to permit any student who has been awarded a Skills and Achievement Commencement Credential or a Career Development and Occupational Studies (CDOS) Commencement Credential, but has not otherwise qualified for a Regents or local diploma, to participate in the graduation ceremony and all related graduation activities of his or her high school graduating class. The new policy outlines a district's responsibilities as specified in law, including the law's requirement that the districts provide annual written notice of the policy to all students and their parents.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Moved by _____ and supported by _____ that, having the approval of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education of the Ogdensburg City School District does hereby adopt the New Board of Education Policy #7221: Participation in Graduation Ceremonies and Activities, this 15th day of October, 2018.

APPROVED FOR PRESENTATION TO THE BOARD:



Superintendent

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Attachment

POLICY

2018

7221

Students

SUBJECT: PARTICIPATION IN GRADUATION CEREMONIES AND ACTIVITIES

Any student who has satisfactorily completed all graduation requirements will be permitted to participate in the graduation ceremony and all related graduation activities.

The District permits any student to participate in the graduation ceremony and all related graduation activities of his or her high school graduating class, if the student has been awarded a Skills and Achievement Commencement Credential or a Career Development and Occupational Studies (CDOS) Commencement Credential, but has not otherwise qualified to receive a Regents or local diploma. While permitted to participate, these students are not required to participate in the graduation ceremony or related graduation activities of his or her high school graduating class. For purposes of this policy, a student's high school graduating class is the twelfth grade class with which he or she entered into ninth grade.

The District will provide annual written notice of this policy and any related procedures to all students and their parents or guardians.

Education Law § 3204(4-b)

Adopted by the Ogdensburg City School District Board of Education on: October 15, 2018