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**New York State Education Department
2020 Emergency Regulations in Response to COVID-19**

2020 Regents Exams and Graduation Requirements

Regents Exam Exemptions

In order to qualify for the **exemption**, students must meet **ONE** of the following eligibility requirements

Scenario 1:

The student is **currently enrolled** in a course of study culminating in a Regents Examination and **will have earned credit** in such course of study by the end of the 2019-20 school year.

Implication:

If you are sitting in a Regents Class and pass it at the end of the year, **you will automatically be granted the Regents credit.**

In order to qualify for the **exemption**, students must meet **ONE** of the following eligibility requirements

Scenario 2

The student is currently in **grade 8**, in a course of study culminating in a Regents Examination and will have passed such course of study by the end of the 2019-20 school year

Implication:

Students who passed either Living Environment or Earth Science will be placed in the next Regents Science course.

Students who passed Algebra, their placement will be determined either by a local assessment and/or recommendation by the eighth grade math teacher.

In order to qualify for the **exemption**, students must meet **ONE** of the following eligibility requirements

Scenario 3

The student is **currently enrolled** in a course of study culminating in a Regents Examination and has **FAILED to earn credit** by the end of the school year. Such student **returns for summer instruction** to make up the failed course credit and is subsequently **granted diploma credit in August 2020**

Implication:

You are sitting in a Regents course and fail it. You re-take the course in Summer School and pass it and earn Regents Credit. **You graduate in August.**

In order to qualify for the **exemption**, students must meet **ONE** of the following eligibility requirements

Scenario 4

The student was **previously enrolled** in the course of study leading to an applicable Regents Examination, **has achieved course credit, and has not yet passed the associated Regents Examination** but was **intending to take the test in June 2020** to achieve a passing score

Implication:

You've already taken the Regents course and passed, but not the Exam. How do we know you **"intended to take the exam"** in June?

Students can apply the **“intended to take a Regents Examination”** eligibility requirement under **ONE** of the following circumstances

- The student informed the school that s/he wished to retake the examination
- or**
- The student was receiving academic intervention, supplemental instruction or tutoring of some kind in preparation to take the examination
- or**
- The student took the examination in June 2019, August 2019, or January 2020 in an attempt to pass or better his/her score

Do I still need **1,200 minutes of science lab time** to be exempted from a **Science Regents**?

No. Hands on laboratory experiences missed because of a school closure does **NOT** eliminate the student from being exempt for the corresponding Science Regents Examination

What about an
Advanced Diploma,
or **Diploma with**
Distinction?

LOTE Checkpoint B

Districts may exempt the requirement of passing the LOTE Checkpoint B in order to meet the requirements for an Advanced Diploma, provided that they would have earned at least 3 credits in the subject prior to the end of the 2019-20 school year.

What about an Advanced Diploma, or Diploma with Distinction?

Mastery, Honors, Seal of Bi-Literacy

Examinations from which students have been given an exemption shall be **excluded** from any calculation used for determining eligibility for an Honors or Mastery endorsement on a diploma.

The Department of Education will issue separate guidance to address flexibility for fulfilling unfinished requirements for the Seal of Bi-Literacy

What will it say on my transcript?

The NY State Department of Education will let us know how to record exemptions in PowerSchool.

Student transcripts will not reflect an examination score for any examination for which the student is exempted.

**What about
summer school
Regents Exams?**

NYS Education Department has not made a decision about the August 2020 administration of Regents Examinations.

As stated before, any student who enrolls in summer school to make up a failed course leading to a Regents Examination shall be exempt from the culminating exam.

Earning Course Credit

How will I get
credit for a
course that I
needed to pass
this year?

In the event that extended closure interferes with a school's ability to provide the full unit of study (180 minutes per week) by the end of the school year, either face-to-face instruction or through other methods, the student should be granted the credit as long as the student has met the standards assessed in the provided coursework

Implication:

**YOU MUST COMPLETE THE WORK
YOUR TEACHERS ARE PROVIDING,
SO THEY CAN JUSTIFY GIVING YOU
CREDIT FOR THE COURSE.**

12th Grade Assistant Principal and 12th Grade School Counselors

Gorton High School	Jamie Morales	Assistant Principal
Gorton High School	Gracy Gonzalez	Counselor
Lincoln High School	Adam Kaufman	Assistant Principal
Lincoln High School	Justina Rodriguez-Defucci	Counselor
Palisade Preparatory School	Kim Urban	Assistant Principal
Palisade Preparatory School	Jessica Striano	Counselor
Riverside High School	Darryl Mack	Assistant Principal
Riverside High School	Scott Silverman	Counselor
Roosevelt High School-Early Colle Studies	Elizabeth Asencio	Assistant Principal
Roosevelt High School-Early Colle Studies	Gail Zerafa	Counselor
Saunders Trades & Technical High School	Tanya Tolbert	Assistant Principal
Saunders Trades & Technical High School	Celeste Griffin	Counselor
Yonkers Montessori Academy	Donald DeMatteo	Assistant Principal (Gr. 11 & 12)
Yonkers Montessori Academy	Claudia Campa	Counselor (Gr. 11 & 12)
Yonkers Middle High School	Yamile Leon	Assistant Principal
Yonkers Middle High School	Andrea Fortino	Counselor
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