Notice to California Youth Authority or Division of Juvenile Justice commitments between January 1, 2003 and December 31, 2015

SUSPENSION OF THE CALIFORNIA HIGH SCHOOL EXIT EXAMINATION

Senate Bill (SB) 172 (Liu) was signed by Governor Brown on October 7, 2015. This law suspends the administration of the California High School Exit Examination (CAHSEE) and the requirement that students completing grade twelve successfully pass the high school exit examination as a condition of receiving a diploma of graduation from high school for the 2015–16, 2016–17, and 2017–18 school years. The law also requires local educational agencies (LEAs) to grant a diploma to any student who completed grade twelve in the 2003–04 school year, or a subsequent school year, and has met all applicable graduation requirements other than passage of the high school exit examination. The law will not take effect until January 1, 2016, at which time LEAs shall be permitted to issue diplomas to eligible students.

SB 725 (Hancock), which was enacted on August 26, 2015, allows for students who completed grade twelve in 2015, who have met all other high school graduation requirements, to receive a diploma of graduation from their high school without meeting the exit examination requirement. Because this was urgency legislation, the law took effect immediately upon being enacted, allowing LEAs to immediately issue diplomas to eligible students from the class of 2015.

A completed transcript and diploma request form must be submitted by mail or fax and must have the former student’s signature. Requests are not accepted by telephone or e-mail. All transcripts are certified copies and will be sealed. Normal processing time is approximately ten (10) business days after receipt of the request.

Mail request to:

CDCR – Division of Juvenile Justice
California Education Authority
P.O. Box 588501
Elk Grove, CA. 95758-8501

Fax request to:

(916) 683-7769