5465 EARLY GRADUATION (M)

The Board of Education shall award a State-endorsed high school diploma to any currently enrolled student in accordance with the provisions of N.J.A.C. 6A:8-5.2 (e) who has not completed the twelfth (12^{th}) grade.

In accordance with the provisions of N.J.A.C. 6A:8-5.2(e), a State-endorsed high school diploma will be awarded early by the Board of Education to any currently enrolled student who:

- 1. Has performed at a proficient or advanced proficient level of achievement in all sections of the HSPA or applicable High School Competency Assessments;
- Has presented official transcripts showing at least thirty (30) general education credits leading to a degree at an accredited institution of higher education; and
- 3. Has formally requested an early award of a State-endorsed high school diploma.

The diploma will bear the date of its issuance. The student may be permitted to participate in graduation ceremonies with his/her classmates without formal readmission to the school district on application to and approval of the high school Principal.

N.J.S.A. 18A:7C-1 et seq. N.J.A.C. 6A:8-5.1 et seq.; 6A:8-5.2 et seq.

Adopted: