## BOARD OF TRUSTEES CARSON CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

REGULATION No. 509.1 STUDENTS

## REQUEST FOR HIGH SCHOOL EQUIVALENCY ("HSE") TESTING

Nevada law requires enrollment in school until age 18. It is the responsibility of the schools, along with parents and guardians to encourage students to complete their educational program.

Further, it is the responsibility of the schools to assist students in reaching college and career goals and to inform them of various alternatives to withdrawing from school.

In addition to the comprehensive programs offered at Carson High School, the District offers additional alternative educational options at the Pioneer High School (PHS) campus. PHS utilizes classroom, online and flexible scheduling combinations. PHS also offers extracurricular options and a unique daily class schedule which is aimed to help students catch up on credits and graduate in a small high school environment. PHS students have the ability to earn a standard, advanced and honors diploma through an accredited high school. As an alternative high school, PHS can offer students who qualify an adult diploma.

Whenever a student wishes to withdraw from school (as opposed to transferring to another educational institution), the District will take the actions set forth in subparagraphs 1 through 6, inclusive, of Regulation 509.

If, notwithstanding the actions and counseling taken pursuant to Regulation 509, a student wishes to withdraw, the student may apply to the Board of Trustees for permission to take the HSE examination, provided the student:

- (a) Resides in the School District;
- (b) Is a least 16 years of age but less that 18 years of age;
- (c) Has not graduated from high school;
- (d) Is not currently enrolled in high school;
- (e) Submits a Request for Permission to take the HSE examination, the form of which Request is attached to this Regulation, which form is:
  - i. Signed by the student and his or her parent or guardian, and
  - ii. In the case of a student who is less than 17 years of age, sets forth good cause for granting the Request.

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If the Request is approved, the student will be withdrawn from high school and temporarily enrolled in the Carson City Adult High School program for the sole purpose of taking the HSE. Once the HSE testing is completed, the student will re-enroll into his or her high school, and the results of the HSE testing will be used to communicate to the student and his or her parents and guardians the options available to the student regarding the future educational and career opportunities available to the student.

Scores from HSE testing may not be applied towards credits required for a high school diploma until the student reaches the age of 18.

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