

# Appendix I: OAR 589-007-0600 AHSD Program

*Note: The following amended Oregon Administrative Rule (OAR) for the Adult High School Diploma Program was approved by the State Board of Education on April 12, 2013, and will go into effect on July 1, 2013. The public can access the official amended OAR after July 1, 2013, on the Secretary of State's website, [http://arcweb.sos.state.or.us/pages/rules/oars\\_500/oar\\_589/589\\_tofc.html](http://arcweb.sos.state.or.us/pages/rules/oars_500/oar_589/589_tofc.html). The language of the official version of the OAR will remain the same. The only modification will be to the historical data that appear below the rule.*

## **OAR 589-007-0600 Adult High School Diploma Program**

The purpose of the Adult High School Diploma program is to provide an opportunity for persons with an exemption from compulsory attendance to earn an Oregon diploma.

(1) Definitions. As used in this rule:

(a) "Adult High School Diploma" or "AHSD" means a diploma that fulfills all state requirements as provided in OAR 581-022-1130 and the community college program requirements as defined in the approved program plan, and is issued by a community college with an approved program plan on file at the Department of Community College and Workforce Development (CCWD).

(b) "Adult high school diploma credit" means credit earned by the student prior to enrolling in or earned outside of the AHSD program for academic coursework, as well as credit awarded by the community college for proficiency and life experience, but does not include credit awarded for challengetests.

(c) "Adult high school diploma academic credit" means credit earned by the student at the community college for academic coursework, from either secondary level or community college courses.

(2) The State Board of Education (SBE) shall oversee the AHSD as provided in ORS 326.051 and ORS 339.505(1) and approve AHSD programs of the community colleges. The SBE delegates administrative responsibilities to the Commissioner to review and make a recommendation to the SBE regarding program approval.

(3) CCWD shall administer the statewide AHSD program as provided in ORS 341.425 and establish policies and procedures for the approval and monitoring of AHSD programs.

(4) Community colleges are authorized to award the AHSD subject to SBE approval of the community college AHSD plan, consistent with these rules, and consistent with administrative policies and procedures of CCWD.