



**pennsylvania**  
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

This certifies that

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Has completed the course of study prescribed by Act 196 of 2014,  
Section 1327.1 Home Education Program of the Pennsylvania School Code  
and is entitled to this

## High School Diploma

And has earned all the rights and privileges afforded by the Commonwealth

This \_\_\_\_\_ Day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_\_

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Supervisor

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Twelfth Grade Evaluator

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School District of Residence

The school district can verify compliance with the law in that  
(1) the supervisor submitted an affidavit for the graduation year of the above named student and that  
(2) the named evaluator fulfills the legal requirements as a secondary level Home Education Evaluator and that  
(3) the evaluator's twelfth grade evaluation for the student was submitted to the school district.

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# Home Education Diploma Definitions

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## **Supervisor**

24 P.S. § 13-1327.1 Home education program

(a) The following words and phrases when used in this section shall have the meanings given to them in this subsection: "Supervisor" shall mean the parent or guardian or such person having legal custody of the child or children who shall be responsible for the provision of instruction, provided that such person has a high school diploma or its equivalent.

## **Evaluator**

The evaluator is certifying that (1) they are the twelfth-grade evaluator for the referenced student and that (2) the student has completed all the graduation requirements of 24 P.S. § 13-1327.1 (d) while enrolled in a home education program in compliance with 24 P.S. § 13-1327.1.

24 P.S. § 13-1327.1 (d) The following minimum courses in grades nine through twelve are established as a requirement for graduation in a home education program: (1) Four years of English. (2) Three years of mathematics. (3) Three years of science. (4) Three years of social studies. (5) Two years of arts and humanities.

## **Evaluator Credentials**

24 P.S. § 13-1327.1 Home education program

(d)(1)(i)(c) The diploma shall be signed by the student's twelfth grade evaluator in confirmation of the student's suitability for graduation.

(e)(1)(ii) A teacher or administrator who evaluates a portfolio at the secondary level (grades seven through twelve) shall have at least two years of experience in grading any of the following subjects: English, to include language, literature, speech, reading and composition; science, to include biology, chemistry and physics; geography; social studies, to include economics, civics, world history, history of the United States and Pennsylvania; foreign language; and mathematics, to include general mathematics, algebra, trigonometry, calculus and geometry.

(e)(2) An annual written evaluation of the student's educational progress as determined by a licensed clinical or school psychologist or a teacher certified by the Commonwealth or by a nonpublic schoolteacher or administrator. Any such nonpublic teacher or administrator shall have at least two years of teaching experience in a Pennsylvania public or nonpublic school within the last ten years. Such nonpublic teacher or administrator shall have the required experience at the elementary level to evaluate elementary students or at the secondary level to evaluate secondary students. The certified teacher shall have experience at the elementary level to evaluate elementary students or at the secondary level to evaluate secondary students. The evaluation shall also be based on an interview of the child and a review of the portfolio required in clause (1) and shall certify whether or not an appropriate education is occurring. At the request of the supervisor, persons with other qualifications may conduct the evaluation with the prior consent of the district of residence superintendent. In no event shall the evaluator be the supervisor or their spouse.

## **School District of Residence**

The school district of residence is where the affidavit and evaluation was to be submitted for the student's twelfth grade year. Verification can be obtained by calling the school district of residence. The school district then will verify the student's home education program was in compliance with the law in that

- (1) the supervisor submitted an affidavit for the graduation year of the named student and that
- (2) the named evaluator fulfills the legal requirements as a secondary level Home Education Evaluator and that
- (3) the evaluator's twelfth grade evaluation for the student was submitted to the school district.