



Pickens High School

Pursuing Higher Standards

High School Diplomas for Students Who did Not Pass the High School Graduation Tests

On Monday, March 30, 2015, Governor Nathan Deal signed House Bill 91 into law, thereby creating a new code section, O.C.G.A. § 20-2-281.1. This law became effective upon the Governor's signature.

This law provides that students shall no longer be required to earn a passing score on any graduation tests to earn a high school diploma. The law also contains additional details and requirements regarding the ability of students no longer enrolled to petition the local board of education for a diploma and a requirement for local school systems to advertise the availability of this opportunity for students whose sole reason for not receiving a high school diploma was due to not passing any part of the graduation tests.

If this change in the law applies to you or someone you know, click the links below for more information

[Petition to Graduation Form](#)

[HB91 Frequently Asked Questions](http://www.gadoe.org/External-Affairs-and-Policy/Policy/Pages/Waivers-and-Variations.aspx) (<http://www.gadoe.org/External-Affairs-and-Policy/Policy/Pages/Waivers-and-Variations.aspx>)

[Additional Information on HB 91](#)

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