



**Washoe County  
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Dear Parents/Guardians of Students in the Graduating Classes of 2017 and 2018:

As you may already be aware, Nevada state law (NRS 389.805) requires all students graduating in 2017 and 2018 to participate in taking four End of Course exams as part of the requirements for a standard high school diploma. The End of Course (EoC) exams will test the following subject areas:

- ELA I with a focus on Reading
- ELA II with a focus on Writing
- Math I with a focus on Algebra 1
- Math II with a focus on Geometry

The EoC exams measure how well a student understands the subject areas tested. Students are eligible to take the EoC exams after completing a course aligned to the Selected Standards for Testing, regardless of when that course is taken during a student's school career. Students in the graduating classes of 2017 and 2018 may meet the End of Course exam graduation requirement by:

- obtain a passing score on each of the four exams **or**
- pass the course\* with which the examination is aligned **and** make a reasonable attempt to complete each of the exams

The score on an EoC exam is not factored into the course grade earned by the student. Students that do not pass the End of Course exam, may still pass the course and be able to continue on to the next course. It is also possible for students to pass the test, but not pass the course\*. These students will meet part of the graduation requirement, but may be required to retake the course to meet credit requirements or meet prerequisites for other courses.

Students in the graduating classes of 2017 and 2018 must also participate in taking a college and career readiness (CCR) assessment to be eligible for a standard high school diploma. Students will take the CCR assessment in their junior year, regardless of their course enrollments. The results of the college and career readiness assessment will not be used to determine graduation eligibility, meaning students do not need to achieve a passing score on the assessment. However, depending on the assessment chosen by the State Board of Education, students may choose to have their results submitted with college applications.

For additional resources on Nevada's graduation requirements please visit [www.doe.nv.gov](http://www.doe.nv.gov) or contact your student's school for more information.

Thank you,

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