WILL MY HIGH SCHOOL EQUIVALENCY BE RECOGNIZED BY THE BOARD?

*USD/Public Schools

If the high school is a USD public school anywhere in the United States, it is accredited and will be recognized by the Kansas Board of Cosmetology. All charter schools are a part of the public school system. Also, most parochial schools are registered in their respective states and will be recognized.

Online High Schools

For online high schools the Board recognizes only accreditation agencies that are recognized by the United States Department of Education. First, look up the exact name of the accreditation agency on the school website, then look for that agency on the list of recognized accrediting agencies found on the United States Department of Education website. The names must match exactly as there are many agencies with similar names.

You can see this list by going to the US Dept of Ed website: www.ED.gov.

In the search box type "Recognized Accrediting Agencies".

Click on "Search".

Click on "College Accreditation in the United States – pg 6". You will need to scroll through several pages to see the complete list.

Home Schools

All Kansas home schools are required by K.S.A. 72-53,100- through 72-53,102, to register with the Kansas Board of Education. If they have registered as required, the Board will recognize a high school diploma from that Kansas home school as equivalent to graduation from an accredited high school. The Board verifies all Kansas home school registrations with the Kansas Board of Education.

Submit a copy of the home school transcript which includes the student's name, the complete address of the school and the name(s) of the "School Administrator(s)." This is usually one or both parents. Fax or email this information to the Board office.

If the student attended a home school in a state other than Kansas, the transcript will be reviewed on a case by case basis.

Alternate Forms Of Education Accepted

The Board will recognize a college degree as proof of completion of the high school education requirements.

The Board may also consider an ACT or SAT score report on a case by case basis.

Education received out side of the United States

If you completed high school outside of the U.S., your high school transcript must be verified and evaluated for educational equivalency. Contact an educational credential evaluation company and request verification be sent directly to our office. We cannot accept this documentation from applicants. The Board will consider approval of credential evaluations on a case by case basis and does not guarantee acceptance. You can find lists of accredited education credential service providers here:

https://www.naces.org/ https://aice-eval.org/