



Ohio Revised Code

Section 3313.612 Graduation test requirements or alternative conditions for nonpublic schools.

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(A) No nonpublic school chartered by the state board of education shall grant a high school diploma to any person unless, subject to section 3313.614 of the Revised Code, the person has met the assessment requirements of division (A)(1) or (2) of this section, as applicable.

(1) If the person entered the ninth grade prior to July 1, 2014, the person has attained at least the applicable scores designated under division (B)(1) of section 3301.0710 of the Revised Code on all the assessments required by that division, or has satisfied the alternative conditions prescribed in section 3313.615 of the Revised Code.

(2) If the person entered the ninth grade on or after July 1, 2014, the person has met the requirement prescribed by section 3313.618 or 3313.619 of the Revised Code.

(B) This section does not apply to any of the following:

(1) Any person with regard to any assessment from which the person was excused pursuant to division (C)(1)(c) of section 3301.0711 of the Revised Code;

(2) Any person who attends a nonpublic school acting in accordance with division (D) of this section with regard to any end-of-course examination prescribed under division (B) of section 3301.0712 of the Revised Code, including a student attending the school under a state scholarship program as defined in section 3301.0711 of the Revised Code;

(3) Any person who attends a nonpublic school accredited through the independent school association of the central states, except for a student attending the school under a state scholarship program as defined in section 3301.0711 of the Revised Code.

(4) Any person with regard to the social studies assessment under division (B)(1) of section



3301.0710 of the Revised Code, any American history end-of-course examination and any American government end-of-course examination required under division (B) of section 3301.0712 of the Revised Code if such an exemption is prescribed by rule of the state board of education under division (D)(3) of section 3301.0712 of the Revised Code, or the citizenship test under former division (B) of section 3301.0710 of the Revised Code as it existed prior to September 11, 2001, if all of the following apply:

- (a) The person is not a citizen of the United States;
 - (b) The person is not a permanent resident of the United States;
 - (c) The person indicates no intention to reside in the United States after completion of high school.
- (C) As used in this division, "limited English proficient student" has the same meaning as in division (C)(3) of section 3301.0711 of the Revised Code.

Notwithstanding division (C)(3) of section 3301.0711 of the Revised Code, no limited English proficient student who has not either attained the applicable scores designated under division (B)(1) of section 3301.0710 of the Revised Code on all the assessments required by that division, or met the requirement prescribed by section 3313.618 or 3313.619 of the Revised Code, shall be awarded a diploma under this section.

(D) A nonpublic school chartered by the state board that is not accredited through the independent school association of the central states may forgo the end-of-course examinations under division (B)(2) of section 3301.0712 of the Revised Code, if either of the following apply:

- (1) The school publishes the results of the standardized assessment prescribed under division (B)(1) of section 3301.0712 of the Revised Code for each graduating class. The published results shall include the overall composite scores, mean scores, twenty-fifth percentile scores, and seventy-fifth percentile scores for each subject area of the assessment.
- (2) The school administers to its students an alternative assessment specified under section 3313.619 of the Revised Code.



(3) Notwithstanding anything in the Revised Code to the contrary, division (D)(2) of this section applies to all students enrolled in a chartered nonpublic school, including students attending the school under a state scholarship program.

(E) The state board shall not impose additional requirements or assessments for the granting of a high school diploma under this section that are not prescribed by this section.

(F) The department of education shall furnish the assessment administered by a nonpublic school pursuant to division (B)(1) of section 3301.0712 of the Revised Code.