

HB 5 – Other Issues

Middle School Personal Graduation Plan (PGP)

- Continues to require a PGP for students who failed to perform satisfactorily on a state assessment
- Requires each junior high or middle school, beginning with the 2014-2015 school year, to designate staff to administer the PGP for all students who did not perform satisfactorily on a state assessment or who are not likely to graduate in 4 year
- Eliminates the old PGP requirement for high schools and establishes a new PGP for high school students

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High School Personal Graduation Plan (PGP)

- Requires districts to provide information regarding the advantages of the distinguished level of achievement and the endorsements on the foundation high school program (TBD by TEA/TWC)
- Requires each high school, beginning with 2014-2015 school year, to designate staff to review graduation plans with each student entering ninth grade and the student's parent/guardian
- Requires that graduation options reviewed must include the distinguished level of achievement and endorsements
- Requires student and parent to “confirm and sign” graduation plan by end ninth grade year

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High School Personal Graduation Plan (PGP)

- Prohibits a district from preventing student and parent from confirming graduation plan that includes pursuit of distinguished level of achievement or endorsement
- Allows student to change graduation plan; requires district to send written notice of the change to parent/guardian
- Requires graduation plan to identify a course of study that promotes college and workforce readiness and career placement/advancement and facilitates transition from secondary to postsecondary education

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Counseling Regarding Postsecondary Education

- Continues to require school counselors to advise student and parents during first year student is enrolled in high school
- Changes “higher education” to “postsecondary education”
- Adds requirement that counseling take place during each year of a student’s enrollment in high school
- Requires information regarding the advantages of earning an endorsement and a performance acknowledgement and of completing the distinguished level of achievement