

STAYING ON TRACK FOR HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION: FOSTER/PROBATION YOUTH

Right to Partial Credits

Did you ever:

- Transfer schools mid-semester and not get credits for the classes you took at your old school?
- ✓ Take the same class more than once, even though you already passed the class?
- Transfer schools mid-semester and get put in different classes than those you were taking at your old school?

As a foster or probation youth, you:

- Have a right to receive partial credits when you transfer schools mid-semester for all work you completed before moving.
- Cannot be forced to retake parts of a class you already passed if it would throw you off track for graduation.
- ✓ Must be enrolled in the same or similar courses as those you were in at your last school. Education Code §§ 49069.6, 51225.2

Should I Graduate Under AB 167/216

What is AB 167/216 Graduation?

Puedes recibir tu diploma de la secundaria si:

- Transfer after your second year of high school;
- Are behind in credits and off track for high school graduation;
- Complete state graduation requirements (130 credits); and
- Remain in high school for four years.

Que son los requisitos estatales de graduacion? You must complete the following 130 credits:

- ✓ English: 30 credits
- Math: 20 credits (including Algebra 1/Mathematics 1)
- ✓ Social Sciences: 30 credits (World History, US History, Government, Economics)
- Science: 20 credits (Physical Science, Biological Science)
- Visual/Performing Arts or Foreign Language: 10 credits
- Physical Education: 20 credits

Partial Credit Checklist

Before you leave your old school:

- Make sure you are 'disenrolled'
- 2. Get a grade for each class (even if you were only there for a short amount of time)
- Ask your counselor to give you a final transcript including partial credits

If you believe that your enrollment, partial credit or AB 167/216 graduation rights have been violated, speak with your education rights holder, social worker or probation officer. You can also contact the Alliance for Children's Rights at 213.368.6010 for assistance.

Can you Graduate Under AB 167/216?

- Within 30 days of transferring to a new school, the school must provide you, your education rights holder, and social worker or probation officer with a letter telling you whether you are eligible or not. Keep this letter in case you transfer to another school.
- ✓ If you are eligible, only your education rights holder can decide whether you should graduate under AB 167/216. If you are 18 or older, you are your own education rights holder.

 Education Code § 51225.1