

PROPOSED RULE AMENDMENT SEC. 1.101 | Definitions

“Substantially Comparable Graduation Requirements” means a set of academic criteria, cumulative credits, and course prerequisites or requirements required by a receiving Local Education Agency (LEA) for a student to receive a formal exit document (including any standard, tiered, honors, advance, or alternate diploma, certificate of completion or attendance, or state-recognized equivalency credential) that closely aligns with the academic rigor and coursework the student successfully completed or was actively pursuing in the sending LEA prior to transition. Substantial comparability is determined by a comparative evaluation of the sending and receiving states’ standard and advanced coursework expectations across any secondary education program document issued in recognition of a student’s completion or exit, excluding any interim, unofficial or ceremonial documents that do not, standing alone, confer completion status.