HIGH SCHOOL COMPLETION STATUS DOCUMENTATION

The federal government has requested that you provide documentation of your high school completion status as a requirement for receiving financial aid. To do this, you must provide one of the following documents to the Colorado Mesa University Admissions Office:

- A copy of the student’s high school diploma.
- A copy of the student’s final official high school transcript that shows the date when the diploma was awarded.
- A copy of the student’s General Educational Development (GED) certificate or GED transcript that indicates the student passed the exam.
- A copy of the "secondary school leaving certificate" for students who completed secondary school in a foreign country and are unable to obtain a copy of their high school diploma or transcript.
- A state certificate or transcript received by a student after the student has passed a state-authorized examination (HiSET, TASC or other state-authorized examination) that the state recognizes as the equivalent of a high school diploma.
- An academic transcript that indicates the student successfully completed at least a two-year program that is acceptable for full credit toward a bachelor’s degree at any participating school.
- For a person who is seeking enrollment in an educational program that leads to at least an associate degree or its equivalent and who excelled academically in high school but did not complete high school, documentation from the high school that the student excelled academically and documentation from the postsecondary institution that the student has met its written policies for admitting such students.
- A copy of a secondary school completion credential for homeschool (other than a high school diploma or its recognized equivalent) if state law requires homeschooled students to obtain that credential.
- A transcript or the equivalent, signed by the parent or guardian of a homeschooled student that lists the secondary school courses the student completed and documents the successful completion of a secondary school education in a homeschool setting provided that their state does not require a homeschool credential.
- In cases where documentation of an applicant’s completion of a secondary school education is unavailable because the school is now closed or in the case of homeschooling if the parents are deceased, alternative documentation such as a DD214 that indicates the individual is a high school graduate or equivalent can be accepted.