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Students May Be Eligible for a Retroactive High School Diploma

JUNEAU -- Following the signing of House Bill 278 into state law by Governor Parnell, former Alaskan public high school students that failed to pass the High School Graduation Qualifying Exam and received a certificate of achievement are eligible for a retroactive high school diploma on or after July 1, 2014.

To obtain a diploma, eligible students should contact the school district in which their high school was located. School districts are required to mail a notice to any student who qualifies for a diploma under the new state law. Districts will mail to the student's last known mailing address.

If the student's family has changed its address since the student was in high school, the department particularly encourages the family to contact its former school district to find out if the student is eligible for a retroactive diploma.

Contact information for school districts is at: <http://education.alaska.gov/districts.html>.

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