## POLICY TO ENSURE THAT STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES RECEIVE APPROPRIATE OPPORTUNITIES TO EARN A HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA

The Board of Education of the Plattsburgh City School District authorizes the award of individualized education program diplomas to Students with Disabilities who have not earned a high school diploma and who are either over the age of 21 or who, upon the application of a Student or the Student's Parents, have attended school or received a substantially equivalent education elsewhere for at least 12 years, excluding kindergarten, who has achieved the educational goals specified in the student's current individualized education program, although given appropriate opportunities to do so has not earned a high school diploma.

Notwithstanding the availability of an IEP diploma, every Student with a Disability shall be given appropriate opportunities to earn a high school diploma and any student who is less than 21 years of age who has earned an IEP diploma shall be advised, in writing, of the student's continuing eligibility to attend the public schools of the district where the student resides until the student earns a high school diploma or until the end of the school year in which the student turns 21, whichever is earlier.

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