



Resolution to Adopt Indiana’s High School Diploma Requirements

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WHEREAS, the Indiana General Assembly called upon the Indiana Career Council to make recommendations regarding revisions to the state’s high school diploma requirements; and

WHEREAS, Indiana’s high school diploma requirements define the knowledge and skills Hoosier graduates need to succeed in college and careers; and

WHEREAS, the proposed revisions to Indiana’s high school diploma requirements were developed as part of a coordinated statewide effort, co-chaired by the Superintendent of Public Instruction and Commissioner for Higher Education; and

WHEREAS, the proposed high school diploma requirements were informed by national best-practice research and invaluable feedback from educators, employers, policymakers, community leaders, and the general public; and

WHEREAS, the proposed “*College & Career Ready*” and “*Workforce Ready*” diplomas build upon the strengths of Indiana’s current diplomas to ensure that Hoosier students are prepared to meet the expectations of employers and education beyond high school; and

WHEREAS, the proposed “*College & Career Ready*” and “*Workforce Ready*” diplomas would replace the state’s existing Core 40 and General Education diplomas, respectively, beginning with Hoosier students entering high school in 2018 (graduating class of 2022);

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that

- I. The Indiana Commission for Higher Education approves the proposed requirements for Indiana’s “*College & Career Ready*” and “*Workforce Ready*” high school diplomas;**
- II. The Commission recommends that the Indiana State Board of Education and Indiana General Assembly adopt the proposed diploma requirements; and**
- III. The Commission commits to working with educators and employers across Indiana to ensure that local schools and communities have the capacity and support necessary to meet these expectations for the benefit of all Hoosier students.**