



WHAT IS ACT 303?

Act 303, enacted by the Louisiana Legislature, allows individuals with disabilities, who failed to receive a high school diploma solely on the basis of failing to meet exit examination requirements, the option to petition their local school board for reconsideration.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

- ✓ Must have been identified as a student with a disability receiving special education services from a Louisiana public school
- ✓ Denied graduation solely for failing to meet the exit examination requirements

WHAT ARE THE REQUIREMENTS?

Individuals must have met all other graduation requirements:

- ✓ Taken and passed the required classes to earn a high school diploma
- ✓ Earned all required Carnegie Units to earn a high school diploma
- ✓ Met any other high school graduation requirements other than the exit exam requirements

WHAT IS THE PETITION PROCESS?

- ✓ Complete the Act 303 Petition Form
- ✓ Deadline to submit petitions is December 21, 2017

SUBMIT FORMS TO:

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Orleans Parish School Board
Exceptional Children's Services
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Petition for High School Diploma (ACT 303)

Current Name: _____ Date: _____

Date of Birth: _____ SSN: _____ Race: _____
(Optional)

Address: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____

Previous Full Name: _____
(While in School)

Name of Last School attended: _____

Exit Date *(Month/Year)*: _____

Did you previously receive special education services: YES / NO

Documentation provided by petitioner:

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| Form of Identification (required) | YES / NO |
| Copies of previous evaluations/IEP | YES / NO |
| Copies of transcript/report cards | YES / NO |
| State-wide assessment scores (GEE, EOC, LAA2) | YES / NO |

I _____, am petitioning Orleans Parish School Board to determine if I am eligible to receive a high school diploma in accordance with Louisiana ACT 303.

_____ *Signature*

_____ *Date*

<p>Office Use Only:</p> <p>_____ 1508 confirmed</p> <p>_____ Previous enrollment confirmed</p> <p>_____ HS transcripts(s)</p> <p>_____ State-wide assessment history</p>	<p>ECS Use Only:</p> <p>_____ Approved _____ Deny*</p> <p>*Reason: _____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p style="text-align: center;">_____ <i>Director Signature</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">_____ <i>Date</i></p>
<p>Date Petitioner notified of decision: _____</p> <p>Method(s) of notification: _____</p>	