

## GRADUATION CEREMONIES

- A. Only graduating seniors, students successfully completing the Options Program and students with disabilities who participate in LEAP 21 Alternate Assessment and have completed their Special Education Program or have reached the maximum age of eligibility may participate in graduation ceremonies. A graduating senior is defined as a student who has successfully completed the State academic requirements for a high school diploma and has passed all components of the State Graduation Exit Examination (GEE). A student successfully completing the Options Program is defined as a student who earns an "industry-based certification," or who earns a Louisiana High School Equivalency Diploma as an Options Program student, or who completes an "Options Skills Certificate" as outlined by the local design team. A student participating in LEAP 21 Alternate Assessment is progressing toward a Certificate of Achievement. In order to be eligible for participation in Alternate Assessment, students must meet the LEAP 21 Alternate Assessment Participation Criteria.
- B. It is the policy of the Lafayette Parish School Board that students who do not meet the State academic requirements for a high school diploma and/or who fail to pass all components of the State Graduation Exit Examination (GEE) cannot participate in Lafayette Parish Public School graduation ceremonies.

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