

# STATE BOARD FOR COMMUNITY COLLEGES AND OCCUPATIONAL EDUCATION

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**TOPIC:** Community College of Denver (CCD) Adult High School Diploma

**PRESENTED BY:**

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**RELATIONSHIP TO THE STRATEGIC PLAN:**

Redefine our value proposition through accessibility, affordability, quality, accountability, resource development, and operational excellence.

**EXPLANATION:**

In accordance with Board Policy (BP) 9-30, Approval of Academic Programs and SP 9-30e – High School Diplomas, which operationalizes SB24-051 - Adult Education, Concerning modifications to enhance adult education in Colorado. This procedure defines the minimum standards for CCCS awarded diplomas. Under state statute, high school graduation requirements are generally set by local school boards. State statute also authorizes the SBCCOE to establish and approve graduation requirements for high school diplomas. CCCS shall align its minimum standards with the Colorado Graduation Guidelines, which are designed to help all students and families plan for success after high school. Colleges will individually submit how the diploma will be designed to meet the minimum standards in SP 9-30e – High School Diplomas and how they will operationalize advisement, enrollment, and the financial model to serve adult Coloradans without high school diplomas.

CCD will offer the following courses as well as PLA opportunities for achieve competency:

- ENG 0090: Composition & Reading
- MAT 0250: Quantitative Literacy -or- MAT 0300: Algebraic Literacy
- PSC 1050: Current Political Issues (GT-SS1)

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends the Board approve the Adult High School Diploma submitted by Community College of Denver described above and included in Attachments.

**ATTACHMENT(S):**

CCD High School Program Board Packet

CCD High School Diploma Checklist

CCD High School Program Cost Analysis