



White River High School

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Running Start Student Diploma Declaration

Student Name: _____

RE: Expanding Options for Students to Earn High School Diplomas

Bill Number: SHB 1758

Effective Date: July 26, 2009

As a Running Start student, actively enrolled at White River High School, I wish to state that it is not my intent to seek a White River High School diploma. Instead, as allowed under Provision (2) of Bill SHB 1758, cited below, I will be working toward my associate degree in order to earn my high school diploma through the applicable community/technical college.

Parent Signature _____ Date _____

Student Signature _____ Date _____

Counselor _____ Date _____

Summary of Bill Number: SHB 1758

A community or technical college may issue a high school diploma or certificate as provided under this section; **1)** An individual who satisfactorily meets the requirements for high school completion shall be awarded a diploma from the college, subject to rules adopted by the superintendent of public instruction and the state board of education. **2)** An individual enrolled through Running Start who satisfactorily completes an associate degree, including an associate of arts degrees, associate of science degree, associate of technology degree, or associate in applied science degree, shall be awarded a state high school diploma from the college upon written request from the student. (These individuals are not required to complete the State Board of Education’s graduation requirements.) **3)** An individual, twenty-one years or older, who enrolls in a community or technical college for the purpose of obtaining an associate degree and who satisfactorily completes an associate degree, including an associate of arts degree, associate of science degree, associate of technology degree, or associate in applied science degree, shall be awarded a state high school diploma from the college upon written request from the student. Individuals under this subsection are not eligible for funding provided for K-12 students. (These individuals are not required to complete the State Board of Education’s graduation requirements.)

Students

- Students must provide a written request to the college registrar’s office (or designee) to receive a high school diploma from the college by completing their associate of arts degree, associate of science degree, associate of technology degree, or associate in applied science degree (this may just be a check box on the same form that you use to apply for your college degree).
- It is clarified that any student who is younger than 21 years old and has been enrolled in Running Start at any time may request a high school diploma from the college upon associate degree completion. This is regardless if they are currently enrolled in RS or not.
- It is clarified that the individuals over 21 are not eligible for state K-12 funding.