

LITTLESTOWN AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

SECTION: PUPILS

TITLE: DIPLOMA FOR WWII
VETERANS

ADOPTED: April 15, 2002

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217.1 DIPLOMA FOR WORLD WAR II VETERANS	
1. Purpose	The Board recognizes the invaluable service provided by Veterans of World War II and recognizes that the education and graduation from high school of many veterans was interrupted and/or prevented because of service in the military during World War II. The Board of School Directors hereby implements “Operation Recognition” through implementation of this policy.
2. Authority SC 1611(b)	A program entitled “Operation Recognition” is hereby established to grant a high school diploma to any honorably discharged veteran who served in the United States military in World War II between September 16, 1940 and December 31, 1946, who attended high school between 1937 and 1946 and who would have been a member of a graduation class during the years 1941 through 1950 but did not graduate from high school due to entry into military service.
3. Definitions	<p>Diplomas may be awarded posthumously to an eligible veteran.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Veteran – An individual who served in any branch of the United States military. 2. Immediate Family Member – Spouse, son, daughter, grandson, granddaughter, great-grandson or great-granddaughter. 3. Eligible Veteran – Individual who served in the United States military in World War II between September 16, 1940 and December 31, 1946 who attended high school between 1937 and 1946 and who would have been a member of a graduation class during the years 1941 through 1950 but did not graduate from high school due to entry into military service.

<p>4. Guidelines</p>	<p><u>Procedure</u></p> <p>A veteran or immediate family member of a deceased veteran may request in writing that a high school diploma be issued by the Littlestown Area School District. The veteran or immediate family member shall submit documentation confirming that the veteran is an eligible veteran as defined above. Documentation may include a copy of any enrollment document, discharge or separation from military service, educational record or other information demonstrating that the veteran is eligible for a diploma under the terms listed above.</p> <p>Upon receipt of a request for a diploma and review of the documentation submitted, the Superintendent or designee shall request any additional information or documentation if necessary to establish that the individual is an eligible veteran. If the individual is an eligible veteran, the Director of Pupil Services shall recommend to the Board that a diploma be awarded to the veteran. If the individual is not an eligible veteran, the Director of Pupil Services shall notify the veteran or his or her immediate family member in writing of the reason for the denial of the diploma.</p> <p>The Board of Directors shall issue a diploma to each eligible veteran. The eligible veteran and/or his or her immediate family member shall have the option of requesting that the awarding of the diploma be done at a public business meeting and, if requested, the Board shall award the diploma at either the monthly public study session or monthly public business meeting.</p>
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