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## ADULT EDUCATION

Students must be 18 years of age or older to enroll in an Adult Education program. However, the parent, tutor, or other person responsible for the school attendance of a child who is under the age of eighteen (18) and who is enrolled in school beyond his/her sixteenth (16th) birthday may request a waiver from the Superintendent for the child to exit school to enroll and attend an adult education program approved by the Louisiana Community and Technical College System (LCTCS).

In the case of a child with no parent, tutor, or other person responsible for his/her school attendance, the Superintendent may act on behalf of the student in making such a request if one or more of the following hardships exist and if the following appropriate documentation is on file at the Jefferson Davis Parish School Board office:

1. pregnant or actively parenting;
2. incarcerated or adjudicated;
3. institutionalized or living in a residential facility;
4. chronic physical or mental illness;
5. family and/or economic hardship.

*Family and/or economic hardship* is defined as a student who acts as a caregiver or who must work to support the family due to a parent's death or illness, or needs to be removed from an existing home environment.

The Superintendent or his/her designee may approve the request without requesting action from BESE. If the request to exit school to enroll in a LCTCS-approved Adult Education program is denied by the Superintendent, a student may request the waiver from the Louisiana Department of Education for approval by BESE with documentation of reason for denial at the local level.

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[\*Louisiana Handbook for School Administrators, Bulletin 741\*](#), Louisiana Department of Education

[\*Adult Education/GED Policies - High School Equivalency Guidelines\*](#), Louisiana Community and Technical College System

[\*Adult Education/GED Policies - High School Equivalency Attainment\*](#), Louisiana Community and Technical College System

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