

Provo City School District
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Honorary Diplomas for Veterans and Others

Veterans of World War II, the Korean War, and the Vietnam War may receive an honorary diploma from Provo City School District or one of the District's high schools. Because veterans of more recent conflicts were required to have a high school diploma in order to enter the military, they are not addressed in Utah legislation. The Provo City Board of Education can choose on a case-by-case basis to award an honorary diploma to other citizens of Provo City who did not graduate from District high schools.

Individuals, their family members or representatives who are interested in receiving an honorary diploma shall submit an Honorary Diploma Nomination form by March 1st of a school year to the Executive Director of Teaching and Learning. In addition to information identifying the individual, this nomination form for veterans requires:

1. A brief biographical sketch of the nominee including their education, service, career, accomplishments and awards.
2. A brief summary listing how the nominee has met the requirements specified by Utah Code.
3. Verification from the Department of Veterans and Military Affairs certifying that the nominee served in the armed forces of the United States during the period of World War II, the Korean War, or the Vietnam War and that the nominee was honorably discharged; or was released from active duty because of a service-related disability.

Honorary diplomas will be awarded as part of the yearly graduation ceremonies for District high schools.

On a case-by-case basis the Provo City Board of Education can choose to award an honorary diploma to other citizens of Provo City who did not graduate from district high schools. The Board will determine the criteria for that decision but may consider these:

- An individual who has made a notable contribution of time, talents or resources to an individual high school or the community
- An individual who inspires and encourages current and past Provo City students
- A community member who achieves state or national prominence
- A member of the Provo City business, civic, health, education or philanthropic community that has made a significant contribution to the local community

Legal Reference

Synopsis

[Utah Code 53A-3-427](#)

Honorary High School Diploma for Certain Veterans

Cross Reference

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