

**Long Valley Charter School**  
**Independent Study:**  
**AB 167 Foster Care Graduation Requirements**  
**Administrative Procedure**  
**Implemented May 16, 2017**

**Purpose:**

The purpose of this administrative regulation is to provide a procedure for foster care students transferred to Long Valley Charter School during their 11<sup>th</sup> or 12<sup>th</sup> grade year.

**Definitions:**

Education code 51225.1 requires schools to exempt a student in foster care from local graduation requirements beyond the State minimum of 130 credits with an exception to that exemption if the student can reasonably complete the school's local graduation requirements prior to the end of the pupil's fourth year in high school.

Education code 51225.3 defines the State's minimum required 130 units.

AB 167 provides details that established the current updates to the Education code 51225.

**Procedures:**

**Seek to Identify Foster Care Students**

Identify students in foster care transferring to LVCS during their 11<sup>th</sup> or 12<sup>th</sup> grade years. This can be done at the time of enrollment and no later than 30 days after identification. The registrar, enrolling teacher and Director should be notified via email communication.

**Consider Question of Reasonableness**

The question of reasonableness for a student to complete the LVCS requirements must be considered before an AB 167 waiver may be granted.

Teacher, student and if the student is under 18 years of age, the person holding the right to make educational decisions will meet and complete the Reasonableness Worksheet.

The worksheet is submitted to the Director for review and determination

### **Required Notification**

Director will issue the required notification to the Registrar and Teacher of Record (along with a copy of the Reasonableness Worksheet). The teacher will distribute to the student and the person holding the right to make educational decisions.

### **Waiver of Local Requirements**

If an AB 167 exemption is granted. Upon completion of the minimum required credits, the teacher of record will complete the AB 167 Exemption Credit Worksheet along with a copy of the student's transcript. This document is submitted to the Director for final approval.

### **Notification of Board**

The Director will notify the LVCS Board of the status of the students addressed in this Administrative Regulation.

### **Additional Information**

If the student has been denied the waiver, another request may be made for the exemption as the student's situation changes. In no case will a waiver approval be rescinded.

A student receiving an AB167 waiver is entitled to participate in graduation ceremonies and receive a diploma as any other student graduating from LVCS.