

ATTACHMENT II
Text of Proposed Amendment to 19 TAC

Chapter 74. Curriculum Requirements

Subchapter A. Required Curriculum

§74.5. Academic Achievement Record (Transcript) [~~and High School Diploma~~].

- (a) The commissioner of education shall develop and distribute to each school district and institution of higher education ~~[in]~~ the state guidelines for a common academic achievement record and coding system for courses and instructions for recording information on the academic achievement record. Each school district must use the coding system provided by the commissioner.
- (b) Following guidelines developed by the commissioner, each school district must use an academic achievement record (transcript) form that includes the following:
 - (1) student demographics;
 - (2) school data;
 - (3) student data; and
 - (4) the record of courses and credits earned.
- (c) The academic achievement record shall serve as the academic record for each student and must be maintained permanently by the district. Each district must ensure that copies of the record are made available for a student transferring from one district to another. To ensure appropriate placement of a transfer student, a district must respond promptly to each request for student records from a receiving school district.
- (d) Any credit earned by a student must be recorded on the academic achievement record, regardless of when the credit was earned.
- (e) A student who completes high school graduation requirements shall have attached to the academic achievement record a seal approved by the SBOE.
- (f) A student who completes the requirements for an endorsement shall have the endorsement clearly indicated on the academic achievement record ~~[and on the diploma]~~.
- (g) A student who earns a performance acknowledgment shall have the performance acknowledgment clearly indicated on the academic achievement record ~~[and on the diploma]~~.
- (h) A student who earns the distinguished level of achievement shall have the distinguished level of achievement clearly indicated on the academic achievement record ~~[and on the diploma]~~.
- (i) A student who completes all graduation requirements except for required end-of-course assessment instruments may be issued a certificate of coursework completion. The academic achievement record will include a notation of the date such a certificate was issued to the student.