



SB 149 FAQs

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(This document will be updated as new questions and answers arise.)

May 13, 2015 (revised May 15, 2015)

Exactly how are projects and portfolios to be considered by the IGC?

Students MUST complete either a project or portfolio, and the committee must also consider the other 13 items. *There are project and portfolio ideas in the Garland ISD manual posted on the Region 10 website.*

May 12, 2015

How does SB149 impact graduation plans?

The graduation plans (old and HB5) refer only to coursework and are separate from testing requirements in this case. If the student meets the requirements of **either** STAAR or the IGC **AND** they have completed all required coursework then they can graduate under the plan that they are currently on.

What will transcripts look like?

We do not know at this time.

Board actions and timeline

A sample Board Resolution has been posted on the Region 10 website

How does SB 149 apply to students still trying to graduate under TAKS? (Revised May 15, 2015)

“No. Eligibility under TEC §28.0258(a) is specific to students who have taken and have failed to achieve the EOC assessment performance requirements for graduation for not more than two courses. There is no reference to other exit-level assessments in the statute.” (per TEA FAQ dated 5/15/2015)

How does SB 149 apply to enrolled students that are not taking any courses?

As long as the student is enrolled in the school and is currently in the 12th grade, that student may graduate under SB 149 this school year. (per TEA)

See TEA FAQ Document dated May 15, 2015 for other important clarifications.