

**ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION RULES GOVERNING
DIPLOMAS FOR VETERANS OF WORLD WAR II, THE KOREAN WAR,
AND THE VIETNAM WAR**

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1.00 PURPOSE

1.01 These rules shall be known as the Arkansas Department of Education Rules Governing Diplomas for Veterans of World War II, the Korean War, and the Vietnam War.

1.02 The purpose of these rules is to set forth the requirements for granting diplomas to veterans of World War II, the Korean War, or the Vietnam War.

2.00 AUTHORITY

2.01 The Arkansas State Board of Education's authority for promulgating these rules is pursuant to Ark. Code Ann. §§ 6-16-133 and 6-16-134.

3.00 ELIGIBILITY

3.01 In recognition of and tribute to veterans who left high school before graduation to serve in World War II, the Korean War, or the Vietnam War, a board of directors of any school district in Arkansas may grant a diploma of graduation to any veteran meeting the requirements of this Rule.

3.02 To be eligible for a high school diploma under this section, a veteran shall:

3.02.1 Have been honorably discharged from the Armed Forces of the United States of America;

3.02.2 Be a resident of the State of Arkansas; and

3.02.3 Have served a minimum of eighteen (18) consecutive months' active duty or been discharged with a service-connected disability during one of the following:

3.02.3.1.1 For veterans of World War II, between September 16, 1940, and December 31, 1946,

3.02.3.1.2 For veterans of the Korean War, between June 1, 1950, and January 1, 1954; or

3.02.3.1.3 For veterans of the Vietnam War, between July 3, 1965, and May 15, 1975.

3.03 A veteran shall present to the school district's board of directors any of the following documentation of honorable discharge as evidence of eligibility under this Rule:

3.03.1 A War Department Adjutant General's Office Form (WD AGO);

3.03.2 A Naval Personnel discharge document (NAVPERS);

3.03.3 A Report of Separation from Active Duty; or

3.03.4 A DD Form 214 (DD-214).

3.04 School districts are encouraged to present the diploma in conjunction with appropriate Veterans Day programs.