

## Policy Summation:

A high school diploma shall be accepted from:

1. A traditional high school.
2. A homeschooling program.
3. GED or other similar test used by a state Department of Education to award High School Equivalencies.
4. An online high school that is accredited by its home state's Department of Education.
5. An online high school that has a Better Business Bureau rating of A or A+.

If you are unsure if your education meets the policy please see below for a list of currently accepted online high schools. You can also [click here to read an FTC guide on how to spot a diploma mill](#).

## Resources to Use in Determining Whether an Online High School is Accredited:

1. Better Business Bureau [www.bbb.org](http://www.bbb.org)
2. <https://www.consumer.ftc.gov/articles/0539-high-school-diploma-scams> Article by the FTC about how to spot a diploma mill.

## List of Currently Accepted Online High Schools:

Note: This list is continuously updated as new information is received. If your school is not on this list but you feel it meets the criteria listed in our policy please apply for any position you are interested in. DOP staff will review the application and update our list as needed. If you feel your education has not been properly evaluated please contact our office to request a reevaluation.

AIU. <https://www.aiuhs.org/index.aspx> AIU is organized under the state of Florida which does not accredit nor endorse ANY private or online high school. Better Business Bureau A+ rating.

AME High, LLC. No website found. BBB A+ Rating.

American High School. <http://www.americanhighschool.org/> Accredited by AdvancedED

Excel High School. <https://www.excelhighschool.com> Accredited by AdvancedED

Franklin Virtual Schools. <https://www.franklinvirtualschools.com/> Accredited by AdvancedED, BBB A+ Rating.

K12, Inc. <http://www.k12.com/> Accredited by AdvancedED, BBB A Rating.

Liberty High School. <https://www.libertyhighschool.us/> Accredited by Vermont State Board of Education, BBB A+ Rating.

Orion Online Learning, Inc. <https://www.orionhs.org/> Accredited by AdvancedED, BBB A+ Rating, Texas Private School Accreditation Commission.

Penn Foster High School. Accredited by Commission on Secondary Schools of the Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools, AdvancED, Distance Education Accrediting Commission, BBB A+ Rating.

Primavera Online High School. <https://www.primavera-online-high-school.com/> Accredited by AdvancedED

Wilson Tech Adult HS. This is a program that can be completed online but it is done in cooperation with a local vocational school and the North Carolina school system.

### **Links to Accrediting Bodies:**

AdvancedED. Accrediting body for primary and secondary schools. AdvancedED is recognized by the US Department of Education <http://www.advanc-ed.org/>

Virginia Council for Private Education The [Virginia Board of Education](#) has authorized the Virginia Council for Private Education to accredit private nursery, preschool, elementary, and secondary schools. (§22.1-19) <https://www.vcpe.org/>

Texas Private School Accreditation Commission. <https://www.tepsac.org/#/home>

Commission on Secondary Schools of the Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools. <http://www.msa-cess.org/RelId/33637/ISvars/default/Home.htm>

Distance Education Accrediting Commission (DEAC). <https://www.deac.org/>