

**COD System Reporting – Student Eligibility Code Values
Attachment to July 2015 Electronic Announcement**

The tables below show the values a school will report in the <StudentEligibilityCode> tag of the COD Common Record.

Table 1: Student Eligibility Code Values for Students With a High School Diploma or its Equivalent

For students with a valid high school diploma or its equivalent, or who were homeschooled, report the Student Eligibility Code using one of the values listed below.

If the studentSubmit the <StudentEligibilityCode> value	Notes
has a high school diploma	06 -- HS Diploma	No change
has a General Educational Development (GED) certificate	07 -- GED Certificate	In October 2015, the values "07" and "08" will be combined into one value. More information about this change will be provided in a future announcement.
has a state certificate or transcript received after the student passed a State-authorized examination, e.g., the High School Equivalency Test (HiSET), Test Assessing Secondary Completion (TASC), the California High School Proficiency Exam (CHSPE), or other State-authorized examination that the State recognizes as the equivalent of a high school diploma	08 -- State Authorized High School Equivalent Certificate	
has an academic transcript indicating that the student has successfully completed at least a two-year program that is acceptable for full credit toward a bachelor's degree	09 -- Academic Transcript of 2-yr Program Acceptable for Full Credit Transfer to a BA Program	Clarification: For graduate or professional programs where a high school diploma or its equivalent is not necessary for admission to the program, <i>and</i> the student has a bachelor's degree, submit "09".
is seeking enrollment in an educational program that leads to at least an associate degree or its equivalent and who has not completed high school, but the school has documentation that the student excelled academically in high school and has met the formalized, written policies of the institution for admitting such students	10 -- Program Leads to at Least an Associates Degree, Excelled in H.S. and met the Admissions Requirements	No change
has completed a secondary school education in a homeschool setting that is treated as a homeschool or private school under State law and, if the state requires, has obtained a homeschool completion credential, or if State law does not require a homeschool student to obtain a homeschool credential, the student has completed a secondary	04 -- Home Schooled	No change

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school education in a homeschool setting that qualifies as an exemption from compulsory school attendance requirements under State law		
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Table 2: Student Eligibility Code Values for Students Qualifying Under Ability to Benefit (ATB)

For students without a valid high school diploma or its equivalent and who were not homeschooled, but who qualify under the guidance in GEN-15-09, report the Student Eligibility Code values listed below. This includes students who—

- First enrolled in a Title IV eligible postsecondary program prior to July 1, 2012, regardless of whether the student is currently enrolled in an eligible career pathway program.
- First enrolled in a Title IV eligible postsecondary program on or after July 1, 2012, but prior to July 1, 2015, and the student is currently enrolled in a Title IV eligible postsecondary program that is part of an eligible career pathway program.
- First enrolled in a Title IV eligible postsecondary program on or after July 1, 2015 and are currently enrolled in a Title IV eligible postsecondary program that is part of an eligible career pathway program. **Note:** The Pell Grant award amount for these students must be based on the 2015-2016 Career Pathway Alternative Pell Payment Disbursement Schedules provided in GEN-15-09.

Note: Students without a valid high school diploma or its equivalent who first enrolled in a Title IV eligible postsecondary program on or after July 1, 2012 and who are currently enrolled in a postsecondary program that *is not* part of an eligible career pathway program **are not eligible for Title IV aid**. The COD System will not reject records based on this restriction. Schools are responsible for ensuring an accurate determination of eligibility and preventing the submission of records for ineligible students.

If the studentSubmit the <StudentEligibilityCode> value	Notes
passed a Department of Education approved independently administered ATB test	01 -- Ability to Benefit Testing Completed	If the "01" value is selected, additional fields are required for the record to be processed in the COD System; refer to the 2015-2016 COD Technical Reference for further information.
completed at least 6 credit hours or 225 clock hours, that are applicable toward a degree or certificate offered by the postsecondary institution	02 -- College Credits	The "02" value should only be submitted for students who qualify for Title IV aid under the alternate ATB provisions and not for any student meeting the standard eligibility provision. It should not be used for graduate students.

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We are in the process of developing COD System changes to allow for additional Student Eligibility Codes to distinguish between the different categories of students who are enrolled in an eligible career pathway program. We will inform schools of the COD System's readiness for these additional codes in a forthcoming electronic announcement planned for later this year.