

Diplomas and Certificate of Completion Policy

Purpose: The American Academy of Innovation takes great pride in providing individualized pathways, educational programs, and integrated systems designed to allow students to approach education and graduation in their own way. As such, the American Academy of Innovation developed practices and procedures supporting individualization, innovation, and growth. Thus, any student who completes all of the high school graduation requirements may qualify for a high school diploma. The purpose of this policy is to outline the types and requirements for diplomas and certificates of completion.

Policy: The American Academy of Innovation offers three levels of recognition regarding high school completion.

American Academy of Innovation High School Diploma: An AAI High School Diploma may be awarded to a student who has:

1. Enrolled in and attended AAI for at least the final semester of their senior year
2. Completed the academic requirements established by the Utah State Board of Education in Utah Administrative Code R277-700 or the requirements outlined in AAI Early Graduation Policy
3. Completed their Senior Capstone Project

LEA District Diploma: An LEA District Diploma may be awarded to a student who has:

1. Been enrolled at least one term prior to graduation
2. Completed the academic requirements established by the State Board in Utah Administrative Code R277-700
3. A student earning an American Academy of Innovation diploma will not be allowed to participate in graduation ceremony
4. A student must complete all requirements prior to September 30th immediately following his/her cohort's graduation

Certificates of Completion: A Certificate of Completion may be awarded to a student who has completed their senior year, is exiting the school system, but has not met all the requirements for a High School Diploma or the American Academy of Innovation Diploma.

Statutory Reference: [R277-705-4](#), [R277-705-5](#)