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### **Board Cover Memorandum**

**To** Board of Education

From Kyla Johnson-Trammell, Superintendent

Sondra Aguilera, Chief Academic Officer Kim Jones, Interim Director Adult Education

Joshua R. Daniels, General Counsel

Meeting Date February 24, 2021

Subject Amendment, Board Policy - Instruction - BP 6146.2 - Certificate of Proficiency/

**High School Equivalency** 

6146.2 - Certificate of Proficiency/High School Equivalency, as delineated.

Background This policy is a reflection of the commitment to get all high school students a

diploma and offer an alternative path to completion of the diploma for those that are in jeopardy of not graduating. Oakland Adult and Career Education does not charge students when we register them to complete the High School Equivalency exams. Revisions provide clear understanding that students may

elect to register and take the test without the support of OACE.

**Discussion** OACE is not obligated to provide services for free, we are obligated to make

free services available to all qualifying students. All students have the right to

register and pay for the test on their own.

**Fiscal Impact** No Fiscal Impact for students. OACE budget pays for curriculum.

Attachment(s) • Proposed Amendments to Board Policy 6146.2 –Instruction (REDLINE)

Proposed Amendments to Board Policy 6146.2 – Instruction (CLEAN)

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(cf. 5147 - Dropout Prevention)

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(cf. 6164.2 - Guidance/Counseling Services)

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