

American Legion Auxiliary  
New Mexico Girls State  
**Bill Instruction Sheet**



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**70<sup>TH</sup> SESSION – AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY NEW MEXICO GIRLS STATE – 2017**

INTRODUCED BY

AN ACT

**RELATING TO PUBLIC EDUCATION, NEW MEXICO HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES;  
INCREASING GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS BY 1 CREDIT HOUR; REVISING THE  
NUMBER OF CREDITS FOR HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES; PROVIDING A BETTER  
PREPARATION FOR COLLEGE; PROVIDING SUCCESS FOR HIGH SCHOOL  
GRADUATES.**

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY NEW  
MEXICO GIRLS STATE:

1 A. "College Success Course" means a preparation class to better prepare high school  
2 graduates for the transition from high school to college,

3 B. "Graduation requirements" means the receiving or conferring of an academic degree  
4 or diploma that is needed or wanted;

5 C. "State of New Mexico high school requirements" means you must complete 24  
6 credits in High School in the following subjects: 4 English credits, 4 Math credits, 3.5  
7 History credits, 3 Science credits, 1 Physical Education credit, 1 Language or Career  
8 Cluster credit, 7.5 elective credits, and .5 Health credit.

9 Effective incoming freshman 2018-2019, in order to earn a New Mexico Diploma of  
10 Completion students must complete 1 college success course in addition to the current  
11 State of New Mexico High School requirements. New Mexico High Schools will create a  
12 college success course according to the NM Public Education Department curriculum  
13 requirements. This course will be completed in the junior or senior year of high school and  
14 must be passed with a passing grade of a D or better. Each student who registers for this  
15 course will create a college/post high school plan that will help outline all goals and  
16 objectives to assist in road mapping the student's plan. College Success Course will assist  
17 students in transitions from high school to college, preparing for college, college  
18 applications, researching colleges, preparing for college visits, scholarships, college  
19 financial budgets and any other additional college information. In addition to college prep,  
20 curriculum will include life skills preparation such as completing employment applications,  
21 balancing a checkbook and the importance of credit scores and credit reports. New Mexico  
22 High Schools will also assign a teacher who is licensed and properly trained to teach  
23 college success programs. Students will explore college opportunities at 4 year colleges, 2  
24 year community and junior colleges and vocational schools. All students should be  
25 encouraged to register for this course their junior year in high school to ensure

1 that the course is passed prior to completing high school. If the student fails to complete  
2 the course during his or her junior year, then he or she will take the course their senior year  
3 in high school.

4 Any high school senior that fails to take the College Success Course shall not receive their  
5 Diploma of Completion.

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7 All laws, acts, provisions, or parts of laws contained in the Constitution of the State of New  
8 Mexico in conflict with any provision of this act are hereby repealed.

9 Default Start - This section to be used as written.

