



# LOWNDES COUNTY SCHOOLS

## O.C.G.A. § 20-2-281.1 PETITION FORM

A individual (hereinafter referred to as "Student") no longer enrolled in a Georgia public school and who previously failed to receive a high school diploma in this state or was denied graduation solely for failing to achieve a passing score on one or more portions of the Georgia High School Graduation Tests or its predecessor or the Georgia High School Writing Test or its predecessor may petition the local board of education in which he or she was last enrolled to determine the Student's eligibility to receive a high school diploma pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 20-2-281.1 based on the graduation requirements in effect when the Student first entered ninth grade.

**PLEASE NOTE:** This law **ONLY** affects those persons who did not earn a high school diploma **SOLELY** for the reason of being unable to pass the GHS GT, the GHS WT, or its predecessor(s). If you did not get a diploma due to failure to meet specific high school course unit requirements, this law does not apply to you.

Submit this completed, signed form by **mail** to: Linda Brightwell, OR submit in person at the Lowndes County Board of Education office located at 1592 Norman Drive, Valdosta, GA 31601. **If submitting a petition by mail, include a scanned/copied image of your driver's license or other government issued photo identification. Incomplete information may delay processing.**

### Primary Contact Information:

\_\_\_\_\_  
( )  
Full Name Phone Number Email Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
Home Address State Zip Code

### Student's Legal Name at Time of High School Enrollment:

\_\_\_\_\_  
First Middle Last Suffix

Did student go by any other name in high school? If yes, what name? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date of Birth (Month/Day/Year) Last 4 digits of SSN Gender

### Lowndes High School

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of High School Expected Year of Graduation  
Student Would Have Graduated

*I verify the above information is complete and accurate. Furthermore, I understand that I **WILL NOT** be able to participate in the commencement exercises with the current senior class.*

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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- ☐ The Petitioner has met the requirements to receive a regular high school diploma.  
☐ The Petitioner has not met the requirements to receive a regular high school diploma.

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Signature Position Date