



## NYS Graduation Measures Review 5 Guiding Questions

### 1. What do we want all students to know and to be able to do before they graduate?

#### Consider the following:

- Academic knowledge and skills, i.e., content
- Social emotional knowledge and skills
- Civic readiness knowledge and skills
- Respect diversity and develop an understanding of equity and inclusion
- Portrait of a Graduate/21st Century and other skills: What skills, dispositions, and mindsets are needed for graduates to be lifelong learners and contributors?
  - i.e.: empathy, communication, collaboration, critical thinking, problem solving, self motivation, the ability to view and understand history and current events from multiple perspectives, and the ability to address challenges with an equity mindset

### 2. How do we want all students to demonstrate such knowledge and skills, while capitalizing on their cultures, languages, and experiences?

#### Consider the following:

- Experiential learning
- Coursework
- Projects
- Assessments
- Portfolios
- Work experience/internships
- Community service

### 3. How do you measure learning and achievement (as it pertains to the answers to #2 above) to ensure they are indicators of high school completion while enabling opportunities for all students to succeed?

### 4. How can measures of achievement accurately reflect the skills and knowledge of our special populations, such as students with disabilities and English language learners?

#### Consider the following:

Consider whether alternative measures of assessment should be made available to special populations of students, and if so, what types? Examples include: projects, portfolios, etc.

### 5. What course requirements or examinations will ensure that all students are prepared for college, careers, and civic engagement?

#### Consider the following:

How does undertaking the studies required to pass exams in math, science, ELA, and social studies indicate readiness for post-secondary options, such as:

- 2- or 4-year college
- Career certificate training programs
- Entry-level employment
- Military service
- Civic engagement
- Other opportunities



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