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**Subject:** Changing High School Graduation Requirements

What a cruel hoax to play on our youngsters to give them the false sense of accomplishment and, thus, entitlement by granting an "empty diploma." Having worked as a Human Resources professional for 18 years of my career, I greatly resented having to inform young men and women that in spite of what their teachers, principals, peers, and parents have told them, they are NOT qualified for even the most elementary entry-level position if they cannot read, write, and perform simple mathematics.

Please stop the continued "dumbing down" of high school. All you do is pass along the teaching responsibilities to the next level - college or the work place - and make the job more difficult by leaving these young men and women believing they have succeeded, when by any true standard they have not.

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