

EVOLUTION OF THE HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA:

EGPS has produced diplomas for 10 years now, and has streamlined the process and the product.

A flurry of activity has begun for diploma season in the Print Shop as hundreds of students prepare to get their high school diploma and other certifications this year. Here are key actors in this process.

Eileen (Office of Shared Accountability) coordinates with high school registrars. They use the diploma card app on OASIS to enter the names of the students. If there is an error in a student's name, they send us an e-mail with the change, which goes to EGPS. EGPS makes the change and produces a revised copy on demand. In addition to lower cost, the error rate is lower when you produce in house.

Example: A student made up his middle name. His father later called and insisted that it be removed from the diploma. "We can do quick fixes like that, thanks to working with EGPS," Ruby Roark (Eileen's predecessor) said.

Chun, EGPS foil-stamping and embossing expert, uses the Kluge Letterpress, which he maintains lovingly. These special details make the diplomas look official and professional. "You only get one high school diploma, it should be right," Chun said. He has worked on more than 100,000 diplomas.

Bob, EGPS graphic designer, redesigned all MCPS diplomas. They evolved from many different fonts crowded onto the document to their present classic look—a significant improvement. Bob checks and applies the students' names to the diplomas after they have been printed and foil-stamped.



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