Recent High School Graduate Definition

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How do you define recent high school graduates?

- Immediately after graduation?
- One year out?
- Two years out?

Institution	Long Definition	Short Definition
College of Lake County	Those who have graduated within the last 2 years.	Last 2 years
Elgin Community College	Recent graduate is someone up two years with no prior college.	Last 2 years
Highland Community College	For internal reporting purposes, report on those who come the semester after they graduate – recognizing that many return two or three semesters later.	Last 1 ½ years
John Wood Comm. College	Marketing – Admission wise – break down populations in regards to grouping 24 and older non-traditional, then your core group in high school and going to graduate, and then the rest fit into recent grads group. For Fin Aid we do not clarify recent grad – all is driven off of have they completed graduation requirements.	
Kishwaukee College	Those students who have most recently graduated(less than a year since graduation)	Last year
Lake Land Comm. College	Refer to students one year out as recent high school grads. 2012 grads are considered recent until 2013 graduation.	Last year
Lincoln Land Comm. College	Someone who graduated within the past year and has no college credit.	Last year

Rend Lake College	Immediately after graduation.	Last year
Rock Valley College	Immediately after graduation and/or within 1 year of graduation.	Last year
Sauk Valley Community College	Depends on what it's used for. Sauk Scholars – immediately following graduation. Other Reports…it depends. When reporting percentage of enrolled from high schools, then it's those students who have graduated less than one year.	Last Year
Waubonsee Community College	Currently, recent high school graduates are defined as high school graduates that have graduated within the last year (January and June).	Last Year