

**Sylvan Union School District
Resolution 2019/2020 - #27
Resolution on Grading
During Emergency School Closures**

WHEREAS, on March 4, 2020, the Governor of California declared a State of Emergency due to the outbreak and spread of a novel coronavirus (COVID-19); and

WHEREAS, on March 19, 2020, the Governor of California issued an executive order directing all individuals living in the State of California to stay home or at their place of residence, with limited exception, until further notice; and

WHEREAS, on March 19, 2020, the Sylvan Union School District closed schools to protect students and staff against the spread of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, due to safety concerns and the need for ongoing social distancing, the State Superintendent of Public Instruction stated it appears students will not return to school campuses before the end of the 2019-2020 school year; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to ensure the continuation of public education, to the greatest extent possible, while maintaining the health and safety of the students and staff and

WHEREAS, the Board is committed to continued teaching and learning, including assessment and evaluation of work, through alternative means during this prolonged period of school closure; and

WHEREAS, it is imperative that the Superintendent have the tools to ensure the health, safety, and well-being of students, staff, and families on and off campuses, and to ensure the educational needs of all students are addressed through alternate locations or virtual learning environments;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that during this time of school closures, and until further notice:

1. Teachers shall continue to provide instruction, assignments, and assessments using distance learning tools and resources.
2. Students shall be held harmless for their spring 2020 grades and the transition to distance learning.
3. Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 5121 - Grades/Evaluation of Student Achievement shall be temporarily suspended during the period of school closure.

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4. Students shall not be required to submit graded work for the remainder of the school year and shall receive no mark for all courses for the third trimester of the 2019-2020 school year.
5. Students shall be provided written or oral feedback on essential standards.
6. Students shall be given an opportunity to demonstrate understanding of applicable course content through assessments, projects, portfolios, or other means appropriate to the course content.

THE FOREGOING RESOLUTION was introduced at a regular meeting of the **SYLVAN UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT** Board of Trustees held on the 12th day of May 2020 by Board Member _____, who made the motion, which motion being duly seconded by Board Member _____, was carried into Resolution and passed by the following vote:

AYES:
NOES:
ABSENT:
ABSTENTIONS:

I, DEBRA M. HENDRICKS, Secretary to the Board of Trustees, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted by the Board of Trustees of the **SYLVAN UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT** at a regular meeting on May 12, 2020, which Resolution is on file in office of said Board.

DATE: May 12, 2020

**Debra M. Hendricks, Secretary
Board of Trustees**