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Proposed Amendment to AR 5121:

Grade Point Average

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When plus and minus designations are added to letter grades, the plus sign will add a .3 to the total GPA and a minus will subtract a .3 to the total GPA.

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Administrative Regulation

Grades/Evaluation Of Student Achievement

AR 5121
Students

The Superintendent or designee shall inform teachers of the district's policy regarding grading, including expectations that grades shall be based on factors that directly measure students' knowledge and skills in the content area and shall not include nonacademic factors.

Report cards displaying students' grades in each subject or course shall be distributed to parents/guardians at the end of each grading period. Parents/guardians shall be offered an opportunity to meet with their child's teacher(s) to discuss the grades and strategies to improve their child's performance.

(cf. 6020 - Parent Involvement)

Grades for Achievement

Grades for achievement shall be reported for each marking period as follows:

- A (90-100%) Outstanding Achievement 4.0 grade points
- B 80-89%) Above Average Achievement 3.0 grade points
- C (70-79%) Average Achievement 2.0 grade points
- D (60-69%) Below Average Achievement 1.0 grade points
- F (0-59%) Little or No Achievement 0 grade points
- I Incomplete 0 grade points

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Whenever it becomes evident to a teacher that a student is in danger of failing a course, the teacher shall arrange a conference with the student's parent/guardian or send the parent/guardian a written report. (Education Code 49067)

(cf. 5123 - Promotion/Acceleration/Retention)

An Incomplete is given only when a student's work is not finished because of illness or other excused absence. If not made up within six weeks, the Incomplete shall become an F.

Grades for Physical Education

No grade of a student participating in a physical education class may be adversely affected due to the fact that the student, because of circumstances beyond his/her control, does not wear standardized physical education apparel. (Education Code 49066)

(cf. 6142.7 - Physical Education and Activity)

Grades for Citizenship and Effort

Grades for citizenship and effort shall be reported each marking period as follows:

- O Outstanding
- S Satisfactory
- N Needs Improvement

Pass/Fail Grading

The Superintendent or designee may identify courses or programs for which students may, with parent/guardian permission, elect to earn a Pass or Fail grade instead of an A-F grade.

Effect of Absences on Grades

Teachers who choose to withhold class credit because of excessive unexcused absences shall so inform students and parents/guardians of such a possibility at the beginning of the school year or semester. When a student reaches the number of unexcused absences defined as excessive in Board policy, the student and parent/guardian shall again be notified of the district's policy regarding excessive unexcused absences.

(cf. 5113 - Absences and Excuses)
(cf. 5113.1 - Chronic Absence and Truancy)

The student and parent/guardian shall have a reasonable opportunity to explain the absences. (Education Code 49067)

If a student receives a failing grade because of excessive unexcused absences, the student's record shall specify that the grade was assigned because of excessive unexcused absences. (Education Code 49067)

Grades for a student in foster care shall not be lowered if the student is absent for any reason specified in Education Code 49069.5.

(cf. 6173.1 - Education for Foster Youth)

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