

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
REGARDING GRADING AND CLASS RANK POLICIES  
DURING PERIODS OF SCHOOL CLOSURE  
AND GRANTING THE SUPERINTENDENT CERTAIN AUTHORITY  
RELATED TO GRADE REPORTING**

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**WHEREAS**, The Governor of Texas has determined that a State of Disaster exists in [INSERT COUNTY] and every county in Texas due to the public health risks posed by COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS**, the recent COVID-19 outbreak has resulted in the closure of schools statewide and is reasonably anticipated to interfere with the regular operation of schools within the [DISTRICT NAME] Independent School District in the coming weeks and months; and

**WHEREAS**, [DISTRICT NAME] ISD administrators continue to respond daily to new recommendations and guidance related to public health and safety from local, state, and national educational and public health officials during this rapidly developing situation; and

**WHEREAS**, [DISTRICT NAME] ISD will be required to close its schools or otherwise suspend normal operations for periods of time to protect public health and safety; and

**WHEREAS**, [DISTRICT NAME] ISD Board Policy EIC (LOCAL) currently provides that for purposes of determining [Local Graduation Honors/top ten percent/Valedictorian], student class rank should be determined for graduating seniors [or Freshmen/Sophomores/Juniors, if applicable] based on grades available at the time of the calculation at the end of the [fifth/sixth six-weeks grading period/Spring semester]; and

**WHEREAS**, [DISTRICT NAME] ISD Board Policy EIA (LOCAL) requires that grade reports be issued for students every [six weeks/nine weeks] and interim reports be issued after the [third/fourth] week of every grading period; and

**WHEREAS**, due to emergency school closure(s) or related suspensions of normal operations, [DISTRICT NAME] ISD may not be in a position to assign grades for the [fifth or sixth six-weeks/nine-weeks/Spring semester] grading period for the 2019-2020 school year, as required by Board policy EIC (LOCAL), or issue grade reports or progress reports in accordance with EIA (LOCAL).

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE [DISTRICT NAME] CONSOLIDATED INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES THAT:**

1. All the above recitals are adopted as findings of fact and are incorporated into and made a part of this resolution for all purposes.
2. Final class rank for purposes of [Local Graduation Honors/top ten percent/Valedictorian] for the class of 2020 only, shall be determined using grades available at the time of calculation at

the end of the [Fall semester/third six-weeks grading period] of the student's senior year. Students in the graduating class of 2020 will not be assigned a semester grade for the 2020 Spring semester [or will receive a grade based solely on, e.g., the fourth six weeks grading period].

3. [OPTIONAL:] Due to school closure and modified instructional methods, the calculation of grade point average and class rank for the classes of 2021, 2022, 2023, [and 2024 (note: for current eighth graders taking high school level courses, e.g., algebra)], will not include grades for the Spring semester 2020 in high school credit courses for English, Mathematics, Science and Social Studies. The requirement under Board Policy EIC (LOCAL) to include these courses in class rank and grade point average calculations is waived for those students.
4. The Superintendent of Schools is hereby granted the authority to determine whether grades may be issued for the [fifth and sixth six-weeks grading periods/final Spring semester grading period] for the 2019-2020 school year.
5. If the Superintendent determines that grades will not be issued for [either or both of the fifth or sixth six-weeks grading periods/final Spring semester grading period], the requirement to issuing grade reports under Board Policy EIA (LOCAL) is waived for those grading periods.
6. The Superintendent is hereby granted the authority to determine whether interim progress reports will be provided after the [third/fourth] week of the [fifth and sixth six-weeks grading periods/final Spring semester grading period] in the 2019-2020 school year.
7. If the Superintendent determines that interim progress reports will not be provided for [either or both of the fifth or sixth six-weeks grading period/final Spring semester grading period], the requirement to provide interim progress reports under Board Policy EIA (LOCAL) is waived for those grading periods.
8. The measures described in paragraph number two above shall not impact the District's ability to calculate class rank for purposes of admission to application to Texas institutions of higher education, as required by state law.

Approved this \_\_\_\_ day of March, 2020.

By:

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President, Board of Trustees

Attest:

SARA LEON & ASSOCIATES, LLC  
AUSTIN, HOUSTON, CORPUS CHRISTI  
MARCH 23, 2020

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Secretary, Board of Trustees

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