TESTS AND EXAMINATIONS

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BOARD POLICY

1. The Board may allow students in the seventh through twelfth grades to be exempt from end of course final examinations in accordance with the administrative procedures set forth below. The Board authorizes the superintendent to establish administrative procedures consistent with student achievement, and in furtherance of this policy.

2. If a student elects to take an exam in which exemption requirements have been met, the student will not be penalized by an exam grade that will would lower the student's average in that class for the nine-week average.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES

1. Grades 9-12

A student in grades 9-12 may choose to be exempt from end of course final exams provided the following requirements have been met:

- 1.1. The student has not received an unexcused absence in that class.
- 1.2. The student has not received a referral for excessive tardies in that class.
- 1.1. The student has not received ISS or OSS during the school year.
- 1.2. The student has an eighty-five (85) or above average in the class.
- 1.3. The student has not missed more than three (3) days/periods in the class (excused or unexcused*) prior to days designated for final exams for full credit one semester courses.
- 1.4 The student has not missed more than six (6) days/periods in the class (excused or unexcused*) prior to days designated for final exams for full credit courses lasting two semesters.
- 1.5. The student has not missed more than one (1) day/period in the class (excused or unexcused*) prior to days designated for final exams for half credit courses.
- 1.6. The student has not been assigned placement at the Structured Day Program during the school year.
- 1.7 The course is NOT a prerequisite course for SATP.
- * College visits are considered school related absences. Eleventh and twelfth graders are allowed two college visits per year. School related absences do not affect exemption status. In other words, students may still be exempt if school related absences cause the total number of absences to exceed the exemption limit.

2. Grades 7-8

A student may choose to be exempt from second semester exams provided the following requirements have been met:

2.1. The student has not missed more than five days/periods in the class (excused or unexcused) during the second semester for full credit courses.

The student has not received an unexcused absence in that class.

2.2. The student has not received a referral for excessive tardies in that class.

- 2.3. The student has not received ISS or OSS during the school year.
- 2.4. The student has an eighty-five (85) or above average in the class.
- 2.5 The course is NOT a prerequisite course for SATP.
- 2.6 The student has not been placed in the Structured Day Program during the school year.

The student has achieved a semester or yearly average of:

- * 95-100 and has no more than 5 absences plus one medical absence in that class per semester; or
- * 90-94 and has no more than 4 absences plus one medical absence in that class per semester; or
- * 80-89 and has no more than 3 absences plus one medical absence in that class per semester.

EXHIBITS

None

REFERENCES

None

FORMS

None