

# Rocky Boy School District

## COVID-19 Emergency Measures

1902

### Alternative Grading

This policy is adopted as a temporary policy in accordance with the framework set by District Policy 1900 – Temporary COVID-19 Policies and is intended to govern School District operations for the period affected by the COVID-19 health and safety measures implemented by the School District in response to federal, state or local authorities.

Teachers will grade students as usual in accordance with established classroom or course practices during the grading period in accordance with District Policy 2420 and the Employee Handbook.

The default option for students and parents is the grade typically assigned for students in the grade level or class which may include an A-F letter grade. Students and parents may choose to receive a **Proficient**/Fail or P/F grade in place of a grade typically assigned for the student's courses. The P/F grade option can be requested by a student and parents no later than twenty [20] calendar days after report cards have been sent to parents by submitting a written request to the building principal, the School District's custodian of records.

For students or parents who request a P/F grade, the School District will record the P/F designation using a rubric in which all grades of **60%** or higher earn a **Proficient** in accordance with District Handbook grading scales and the School District's COVID-19 Plan of Action as submitted to the Office of the Governor.

Students earning course grades converted to a **Proficient** grade in this temporary P/F option for grading periods affected by COVID-19 health and safety measures will be granted credit for the course and the credit will count towards promotion or graduation requirements and extracurricular eligibility. Students earning a Fail designation in a course will not earn credit, will be subject to retention consideration, and, if applicable, will be subject to extracurricular eligibility consequences.

Grades converted to P/F will not be counted toward or against class honors or valedictorian status as outlined in Policy 2410 for classes of students graduating during or after 2020.

The School District will include a designation on the students' transcripts indicating the extraordinary circumstances for any grading period affected by COVID-19 health and safety measures.

Cross Reference:      Policy 1005FE – Proficiency Based Learning  
Policy 2410-2410P – Graduation Requirements  
Policy 2420 – Grading and Progress Reports  
Policy 2168 – Distance Learning  
Policy 2421 - Promotion and Retention

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2 Legal Reference: Section 20-1-301, MCA School fiscal year  
3 Section 20-9-311(4)(a)(b)(d), MCA Calculation of average number  
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5 Section 20-3-324, MCA Powers and duties  
6 Section 20-7-1601. Transformational learning  
7 10.55.906 ARM High School Credit  
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