

**RESOLUTION OF THE
ERA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGARDING POLICY EIC(LOCAL) FOR CLASS RANK AND RELATED POLICIES
DURING COVID-19 EMERGENCY**

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees (“Board”) of the Era Independent School District (“District”) is authorized by Texas Education Code § 11.151 to govern and oversee the management of the public schools in the District;

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, the Governor of the State of Texas declared a statewide emergency, and, later that same day, the President of the United States declared a national emergency regarding COVID-19;

WHEREAS, on April 17, 2020, the Governor of the State of Texas extended the order for closure of all schools through the end of the 2019-2020 school year;

WHEREAS, the Era Independent School District’s Board of Trustees has implemented procedures for continuity of instruction to the extent possible during the district closure;

WHEREAS, the Board finds that a need exists to temporarily adjust local policy provisions addressing class rank, grading, and related matters under these circumstances to ensure fair and consistent designation of local honors;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES:

RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees makes the following temporary adjustments to policy EIC(LOCAL), Class Rank:

- For the graduating class of 2020, the determination of local honors, including valedictorian and salutatorian determinations, shall be based on the grades available for the most recent final grading period before the district began remote instruction (cumulative calculations through and including the end of the 4th 6-weeks grading period in Spring 2020).
- For students who are not in the graduating class of 2020, including students who may enroll in EISD in future years, the calculation of GPA and the determination of local honors, including valedictorian and salutatorian determinations, shall exclude grades earned during the spring semester of the 2019-2020 school year, regardless of which school the student attended during the spring semester of the 2019-2020 school year.
- No grade of P or F earned during the coronavirus-related school closure during the Spring semester of 2020 will be included in the calculation of class rank.
- No grade of P or F earned during the coronavirus-related school closure during the Spring semester of 2020 will be included in the calculation of Grade Point Average (GPA).

RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees hereby delegates to the Superintendent the authority to suspend policies pertaining to retention/promotion, grading, class rank, eligibility for contests/competitions and other student activities, including but not limited to those found in Board Policies EIA(LOCAL), EIC(LOCAL), EIE(LOCAL), FM(LOCAL), FMF(LOCAL), and any other policies that could relate to grading, retention/promotion, class rank, and/or eligibility for contests/competitions and other student activities to the extent necessary to effectuate the temporary adjustments to policy EIC(LOCAL).

RESOLVED, the authority granted by this resolution to adjust EIC(LOCAL) calculations shall apply for the remainder of the 2019–2020 school year, unless the Board takes further action.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 20th day of April, 2020, by the Board of Trustees.

By: Jeffrey Stevens, Board President

Attest: Jeff Brown, Board Secretary