# ROBSTOWN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT AGENDA ACTION SHEET

| Date: August 9, 2021  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|---|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| Subject: Discuss and Consider Approval of Modifications / Revisions to EIC Local  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Administrator Responsible: Diana L. Silvas  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Position: Deputy Superintendent   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| A. Purpose of Agenda Item:  Information Only  X Action Needed   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| B. Authority for this Action:  X Local Policy EIC Local  Law or Rule  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| C. Strategic Objective, Goal, or Need Addressed:  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Revise EIC local to reflect Locally Designated Honors Classes / Honors instead of Pre-AP.   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| D. Summary:  Pre-AP is a registered trademark of College Board and can only be used in relation to the official College Board Pre-AP courses. Now that Pre-AP is available for purchase nationally, a Pre-AP label may not be used in conjunction with courses that have not been designated as Pre-AP courses by College Board. All violating uses of Pre-AP must cease during the 2021-22 academic year. Therefore, EIC Local is being revised to remove Pre Ap and replace with locally designated as honors classes/honors. |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| E. Alternatives Considered:   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| F. Comments Received:   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| G. Administrative Recommendation: That the board approve the revisions to EIC Local to reflect Locally Designated Honors Classes/Honors instead of Pre-AP.  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| H. Fiscal Impact and Cost:  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| I. Monitoring and Reporting Time Line:  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

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### PROPOSED REVISIONS

Consistent Application for Graduating Class The District shall apply the same class rank calculation method and rules for local graduation honors for all students in a graduating class, regardless of the school year in which a student first earned high school credit.

Calculation

The District shall include in the calculation of class rank semester grades earned in high school credit courses taken at any grade level, unless excluded below.

The calculation shall include failing grades.

**Exclusions** 

The calculation of class rank shall exclude grades earned in any local credit course, any course for credit recovery, any traditional correspondence course, any course earned in a home school, or through credit by examination, with or without prior instruction.

Weighted Grade System

Categories

The District shall categorize and weight eligible courses as Advanced Placement (AP)/Dual Credit, HonorsPre-Advanced Placement (Pre-AP), and Regular in accordance with provisions of this policy and as designated in appropriate District publications.

AP/Dual Credit

Eligible AP and dual credit courses shall be categorized and weighted as Advanced Placement/Dual Credit courses.

HonorsPre-AP

Eligible Pre-AP courses <u>locally designated as honors</u> shall be categorized and weighted as <u>Honors</u>Pre-AP courses.

Regular

All other eligible courses shall be categorized and weighted as Regular courses.

The District shall record unweighted numerical grades on student transcripts.

#### **GRADE POINT TABLE**

| Alpha<br>Grade | Numeric<br>Grade | AP/Dual<br>Credit<br>Classes | Hon-<br>orsPAP/Adv.<br>(AEIS)<br>Classes | Regular<br>Classes |
|----------------|------------------|------------------------------|--|--------------------|
| Α              | 100              | 6.5                          | 6.0                                      | 5.0                |
| Α              | 99               | 6.4                          | 5.9                                      | 4.9                |
| Α              | 98               | 6.3                          | 5.8                                      | 4.8                |
| Α              | 97               | 6.2                          | 5.7                                      | 4.7                |
| Α              | 96               | 6.1                          | 5.6                                      | 4.6                |
| Α              | 95               | 6.0                          | 5.5                                      | 4.5                |
| Α              | 94               | 5.9                          | 5.4                                      | 4.4                |

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| ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT<br>CLASS RANKING |   |    |     |     | EIC<br>(LOCAL) |
|---------------------------------------|---|----|-----|-----|----------------|
|                                       | Α | 93 | 5.8 | 5.3 | 4.3            |
|                                       | Α | 92 | 5.7 | 5.2 | 4.2            |
|                                       | Α | 91 | 5.6 | 5.1 | 4.1            |
|                                       | Α | 90 | 5.5 | 5.0 | 4.0            |
|                                       | В | 89 | 5.4 | 4.9 | 3.9            |
|                                       | В | 88 | 5.3 | 4.8 | 3.8            |
|                                       | В | 87 | 5.2 | 4.7 | 3.7            |
|                                       | В | 86 | 5.1 | 4.6 | 3.6            |
|                                       | В | 85 | 5.0 | 4.5 | 3.5            |
|                                       | В | 84 | 4.9 | 4.4 | 3.4            |
|                                       | В | 83 | 4.8 | 4.3 | 3.3            |
|                                       | В | 82 | 4.7 | 4.2 | 3.2            |
|                                       | В | 81 | 4.6 | 4.1 | 3.1            |
|                                       | В | 80 | 4.5 | 4.0 | 3.0            |
|                                       | С | 79 | 4.4 | 3.9 | 2.9            |
|                                       | С | 78 | 4.3 | 3.8 | 2.8            |
|                                       | С | 77 | 4.2 | 3.7 | 2.7            |
|                                       | С | 76 | 4.1 | 3.6 | 2.6            |
|                                       | С | 75 | 4.0 | 3.5 | 2.5            |
|                                       | С | 74 | 3.9 | 3.4 | 2.4            |
|                                       | С | 73 | 3.8 | 3.3 | 2.3            |
|                                       | С | 72 | 3.7 | 3.2 | 2.2            |
|                                       | С | 71 | 3.6 | 3.1 | 2.1            |

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### **Transferred Grades**

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When a student transfers semester grades for courses that would be eligible under the Regular category and the District has accepted the credit, the District shall include the grades in the calculation of class rank.

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When a student transfers semester grades for courses that would be eligible to receive additional weight under the District's weighted grade system, the District shall assign additional weight to the grades based on the categories and grade weight system used by the District.

## **Local Graduation Honors**

For the purpose of determining honors to be conferred during graduation activities, the District shall calculate class rank in accordance with this policy and administrative regulations by using

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# ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT CLASS RANKING

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grades available at the time of calculation at the end of the fifth sixweek grading period of the senior year.

For the purpose of applications to institutions of higher education, the District shall also calculate class rank as required by state law. The District's eligibility criteria for local graduation honors shall apply only for local recognitions and shall not restrict class rank for the purpose of automatic admission under state law. [See EIC(LE-GAL)]

# Valedictorian and Salutatorian

The valedictorian and salutatorian shall be the eligible students with the highest and second highest rank, respectively. To be eligible for this local graduation honor, a student must:

- 1. Have been continuously enrolled in the District high school for the two full school years prior to attaining senior status; and
- Have completed the foundation program with at least one endorsement.

### Breaking Ties

In case of a tie in weighted GPA after calculation to the thousandths place, the District shall count the number of dual credit courses taken by each student involved in the tie to determine recognition as valedictorian or salutatorian.

If the tie is not broken after applying these methods, the District shall recognize all students involved in the tie as sharing the honor and title.

### Top Ten Honor Graduates

The District shall recognize as top ten honor graduates the ten highest-ranking graduates. In order to qualify for this local graduation honor, a student must have been continuously enrolled in the District high school for the two full school years prior to attaining senior status.

#### Academic Honors

The District shall recognize students with academic honors in accordance with the following:

- Summa cum laude a weighted GPA of at least 4.60 and completion of five or more Honorspre-AP or AP classes.
- Magna cum laude a weighted GPA of 4.00 to 4.59 and completion of five or more Honorspre-AP or AP classes.
- Cum laude a weighted GPA of at least 4.00.

### Highest-Ranking Graduate

The student meeting the local eligibility criteria for recognition as the valedictorian shall also be considered the highest-ranking graduate for purposes of receiving the honor graduate certificate from the state of Texas.

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ADOPTED: