

January 23, 2023

To: Dr. Josh Swanson, SuperintendentFrom: Nate Gibbs, Principal Eden Prairie High SchoolRe: Graduation Cords – Class of 2023

EPHS Administration recommends an additional correction to the Academic Recognition Cords a student may receive. The recommended edits are reflected on pages 6 of the 2022-23 EPHS Student Handbook. We recommend that Red Cords be awarded at the 2023 graduation ceremony based on 6 credits instead 6 courses for clarity and Gold and Silver Cords are awarded based on the stated GPA at the end of Term 3 dropping the 54 credits language to increase clarity of the requirements and align with past practice for the graduating class.

The recommended corrections would align to the requirements set when the class of 2023 started their high school career as 9th graders. I am proposing that we correct our graduation cords policy for the 2022-23 school year, and we remain committed to entering a process at EPHS to evolve and align future practices of graduation recognition with our mission and academic vision, while including the voices of our students, staff, and families over the coming months.