

GRADING/PROGRESS REPORTS TO PARENTS
SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS AND SEMESTER PROJECTS

EIAA
(LOCAL)

EXEMPTION POLICY The number of exemptions shall be determined by the classification, grade average, and number of absences as described below:

Fall Term

SENIORS 1 absence / 85 average = 3 exemptions
2-3 absences / 85 average = 2 exemptions

JUNIORS 1 absence / 85 average = 2 exemptions
2-3 absences / 85 average = 2 exemptions

SOPHOMORES AND FRESHMEN 1 absence / 90 average = 2 exemptions
2-3 absences / 90 average = 1 exemption

Spring Term

SENIORS 1 absence / 85 average = 4 exemptions
2-3 absences / 85 average = 2 exemptions

JUNIORS 1 absence / 85 average = 3 exemptions
2-3 absences / 85 average = 2 exemptions

SOPHOMORES AND FRESHMEN 1 absence / 90 average = 2 exemptions
2-3 absences / 90 average = 1 exemption

- GUIDELINES
1. Students with more than three absences in any class are ineligible for exemptions from final **semester exams (exams) or final semester projects (projects)** in the class in which they have more than three absences.
 2. Two tardies per six-week grading period in any one class shall equal one absence for exemption purposes.
 3. Students must be enrolled in a District high school the entire semester for which an exemption would be granted to be eligible for exemption from any exam. Any student enrolled in a District high school after the first week of a semester is ineligible for exemptions.
 4. Students who received any discipline past the detention level shall not be eligible for exemptions from any exam **or project**.
 5. **In accordance with EIA (Local), students shall be graded at various stages of completion rather than only given a grade for the final project. Exemption applies only to the grade for the final semester project.**

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6. Students who exhibit mastery of any sections of TAKS during the spring administration shall be eligible for exemption from that test area. (For example, English, mathematics, science, and social studies). These students must have three or fewer absences and an average of 90.
7. **Should they so desire**, the opportunity shall be provided for students to take an exam **or complete a project** although they qualify for an exemption ~~.should they so desire~~. A student's grade average for the course shall not be lowered by his or her performance on the final exam **or project** should he or she choose to take one in a course for which he or she qualifies for exemption.
8. Determination of the grade average to qualify for an exemption shall be accomplished by calculating the average. The cut off date for determining grades used for exemption purposes shall be the Friday before the week of exams. Teachers will continue to take grades through the end of the grading period; however, any grades taken after the cut-off date shall not be used in determining the grade average used for exemption calculation.
9. Students in any course that has an end-of-course ~~exam~~ **assessment (EOC)** must take that exam.
10. Exemption forms shall be given to students the week of exams verifying students' eligibility. Students failing to complete this verification process by the deadline shall not be exempt from exams.