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TO: Board of Trustees

FROM: Alicia Syverson, Assistant Superintendent of Student and School Support

**SUBJECT: DISCUSSION OF AND REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF BOARD
POLICY EIC (LOCAL) – ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT: CLASS
RANKING**

DATE: January 21, 2020

The current GPA system, consists of TIER I (4.0), II (4.5) and III (5.0). In the 2017-18 school year, incoming 9th graders entered into a new grade point average calculation. This change was made to move dual credit courses from TIER III to TIER II.

As these students enter their Junior year, questions arose which caused us to revisit the policy. Based on discussions with a team of principals, counselors, and district level staff, we discovered that a student in a Pre-AP course (which is the most rigorous course available at that level), is only receiving a .5 weighting difference from a student in a regular comparable course.

The recommendation of the committee is to move Pre AP to TIER III for incoming 9th graders in 2020-21 and revisit in future years as rigor in AP course work is evident in improved AP scores.

Administrative Recommendation:

It is recommended that the Board of Trustees take action to approve local policy EIC (Local) – Academic Achievement Class Ranking