



ALEDO ISD BOARD MEETING TEMPLATE

MEETING DATE: August 20, 2012

AGENDA ITEM: Action Item for Update 90 EIA (Local)

PRESENTER: Kathy Allen

ALIGNS TO BOARD GOAL(S):

- District Priority #1: Learning – The District will provide an aligned, rigorous curriculum, with instructional and technology programs preparing students to meet or exceed all educational standards.

Background Information:

- Update 90 required that district's adopt local policy that includes language indicating:
 - The requirement that STAAR EOC exams count as 15 percent of a student's final grade for a course;
 - The procedures for calculating an EOC score in a student's final grade upon the completion of retakes; and
- In February 2012, Commissioner Scott afforded districts the option to defer the application of the 15 percent rule for the 2011-2012 school year. Aledo ISD exercised the deferral option.
- Beginning in the 2012-2013 school year, all districts must have local policy in place to cover the requirements of the 15 percent rule.

Administrative Considerations:

- Administration is asking the Board to approve EIA(Local) as written.

FISCAL NOTE: None

Administrative Recommendation: Administration recommends the Board approve EIA(Local) as written.

ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT
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EIA
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RELATION TO
ESSENTIAL
KNOWLEDGE AND
SKILLS

The District shall establish instructional objectives that relate to the essential knowledge and skills for grade-level subjects or courses. These objectives shall address the skills needed for successful performance in the next grade or next course in a sequence of courses.

Assignments, tests, projects, classroom activities, and other instructional activities shall be designed so that the student's performance indicates the level of mastery of the designated District objectives. The student's mastery level shall be a major factor in determining the grade for a subject or course.

GUIDELINES FOR
GRADING

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that each campus or instructional level develops guidelines for teachers to follow in determining grades for students. These guidelines shall ensure that grading reflects a student's relative mastery of an assignment and that a sufficient number of grades are taken to support the grade average assigned. Guidelines for grading shall be clearly communicated to students and parents.

In accordance with grading guidelines, a student shall be permitted a reasonable opportunity to redo an assignment or retake a test for which the student received a failing grade.

END-OF-COURSE
ASSESSMENTS

When required by state law, a student's score on the initial end-of-course (EOC) assessment shall count for 15 percent of the student's final grade for the course as reported on the student's transcript.

RETAKES

If a student retakes an EOC assessment, the District will include the retake score as 15 percent of the final course grade only if the retake score allows a student to gain credit for the course. After a student earns credit for the course, subsequent retakes will not be included in the calculation of the final course grade.

SPECIAL
EDUCATION

A student's ARD committee shall determine the type of assessment to be administered and how the score on an EOC assessment shall be used for final course grades, credit decisions, and graduation requirements.

GRADES

Calculation of grades with EOC assessment scores shall be in accordance with the District's grading guidelines.

PROGRESS
REPORTING

Grade reports shall be issued every six weeks on a form approved by the Superintendent or designee. Performance shall be measured in accordance with this policy and the standards established in EIE.

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| INTERIM REPORTS | Written notice of unsatisfactory performance shall be issued every three weeks. Supplemental progress reports may be issued at the teacher's discretion. |
| CONFERENCES | In addition to conferences scheduled on the campus calendar, conferences may be requested by a teacher or parent as needed. |
| ACADEMIC DISHONESTY | Students found to have engaged in academic dishonesty shall be subject to grade penalties on assignments or tests and disciplinary penalties in accordance with the Student Code of Conduct. Academic dishonesty includes cheating or copying the work of another student, plagiarism, and unauthorized communication between students during an examination. The determination that a student has engaged in academic dishonesty shall be based on the judgment of the classroom teacher or another supervising professional employee, taking into consideration written materials, observation, or information from students. |