



Sacramento City Unified School District
5735 47th Avenue
Sacramento, CA 95824



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Subject: New Grading and recovery options for students

Dear Sacramento City Unified Family:

The state of California recently enacted a new law - Assembly Bill (AB) 104 - that will expand learning and credit recovery options for students who may have struggled academically during the pandemic-impacted 2020-2021 school year. These include:

- A process for students who were enrolled in grades K-11 for the 2020-2021 year to request to repeat the last grade
- A process for high school students to change eligible grades to Pass/No Pass
- Exemption from district graduation requirements for students in grades 11 or 12 who were not on track to graduate

Additional information about all of these options may be found at learn.scusd.edu/ab104.

Process for K-11 Students to Request to Repeat the 2020-2021 Grade

This law provides a process for parents and guardians to request that their student repeat the grade they were enrolled in during the 2020-2021 school year. Parents and guardians of students who were in grades Kindergarten - 11 in the last school year would be eligible to make this request if their student received a D, F, or No Pass grade for at least one-half of their coursework in the 2020-2021 school year. This request would trigger a personalized consultation with a representative of the district within to review and discuss all learning recovery options and supports that the student could access.

How to apply: Parents/Guardians may submit a written request through the Sac City Unified Constituent Services Office at www.scusd.edu/pod/constituent-services-request-form or calling 916-643-9000. Requests may also be mailed to the district at: Sacramento City Unified School District Attn: Constituent Services 5735 47th Street, Sacramento, CA 95824. The district will schedule a consultation within 30 days of submitting the form.

Process for High School Students to Change Grades to Pass/No Pass

AB 104 also provides a process for high school students to request that a letter grade they received in the 2020-2021 school year be changed to a Pass/No Pass grade.

How to apply: An application is attached to this form and may also be found at learn.scusd.edu where families can view a list of postsecondary educational institutions that will accept a Pass/No Pass grade instead of a letter grade. Families must return the form by August 15 by mailing the attached letter to Sacramento City Unified School District Attn: Constituent Services 5735 47th Street, Sacramento, CA 95824 or by completing the web form at learn.scusd.edu/ab104. By law, requested must be submitted by August 15. After this time, requests will no longer be considered.



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Exemption for 2020-2021 Juniors and Seniors of District Graduation Requirements

Finally, the law requires that high school students who were in their third or fourth year of high school during the 2020-2021 school year, and who were not on track to graduate in four years, may be exempt from our district's graduation requirements that exceed statewide requirements. It also requires high schools to provide credit recovery support for these students, including the option to retake courses, or to enroll in a fifth year of high school, to complete state graduation requirements.

How to apply: Sacramento City Unified will contact students eligible for this exemption. You do not need to contact the district or the school sites.

Thank you,

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