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Re: High School Grade Changes 2020-21 School Year

Dear Parent/Guardian:

On July 1, 2021, Governor Newsom signed Assembly Bill 104 (Gonzalez) into law. The bill provides for a limited process to request that high school grades earned during the 2020-21 school year be changed from a letter grade to Pass or No Pass. This process applies only to students attending high school during the 2020-21 school year.

**Process for Requesting a Grade Change**

To be eligible for a grade change, the pupil must have been enrolled in high school in the 2020-21 academic year.

The application form to request a grade change may be downloaded at [www.pvUSD.us](http://www.pvUSD.us) or picked up at your student's school site.

There is no limit on the number or type of courses eligible for a grade change. However, please note that grade change requests for a dual enrollment/concurrent enrollment course taught by faculty outside of the school district are subject to consultation with the institution that awarded the grade.

The application must be submitted to [lshaffer@pvUSD.us](mailto:lshaffer@pvUSD.us) or delivered to your student's school site no later than **August 17, 2021**. ANY APPLICATION RECEIVED AFTER THAT DATE WILL BE REJECTED, PURSUANT TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE LEGISLATION.

**Important Information Regarding Potential Impact of Grade Changes on College Admissions**

Assembly Bill 104 requires that the California State University system not penalize students for Pass/No Pass grades for admission purposes for any applicant who was enrolled in a California high school during any school year from the 2020-21 school year to the 2023-24 school year.

**This requirement does not apply to the University of California, private postsecondary educational institutions in California, or any public or private postsecondary educational institution outside of California.**

A list of postsecondary educational institutions in California that have indicated they will not penalize students for Pass/No Pass grades for admission purposes may be found at [www.cde.ca.gov/ci/gs/ps/ab104surveyresults.asp](http://www.cde.ca.gov/ci/gs/ps/ab104surveyresults.asp).

**PLEASE NOTE:** Some postsecondary educational institutions, including those in other states, may not accept a Pass or No Pass grade instead of a letter grade for admission purposes. If the pupil in question has applied for, or is intending to apply for admission to a postsecondary educational institution that does not appear on the list noted above, a consultation with the Admissions office of that institution is highly recommended.

Please contact your student's school site with any questions regarding this grade change process.