

CENTINELA VALLEY UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

RESOLUTION NO. 20-21/034

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE CENTINELA VALLEY UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT ADOPTING AN ALTERNATIVE GRADING SYSTEM DURING THE 2020-2021 SECOND SEMESTER / THIRD & FOURTH QUARTER

WHEREAS, the COVID-19 global pandemic that began during the 2019-2020 school year continues to have a significant impact on education; and

WHEREAS, Governor Gavin Newsom, State Superintendent of Public Instruction Tony Thurmond, and the Los Angeles Department of Public Health maintain that the COVID-19 pandemic continues to constitute a public health emergency and have a significant impact on education; and

WHEREAS, on August 11, 2020, the Board approved the 2020-2021 Reopening Plan that authorizes a Distance Learning model of instruction for the beginning of the school year, and as needed throughout the remainder of the school year; and

WHEREAS, the District has announced that distance learning shall continue through at least the end of the third quarter; and

WHEREAS, when the District is allowed to physically open for in-person instruction, it will be through a hybrid model of instruction that includes limited time on the school campus with the majority of instruction still taking place through distance learning; and

WHEREAS, the District remains committed to following the guidance issued by the California Department of Education to “hold students harmless” during the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, Board Policy 5121 authorizes the Superintendent or designee to establish a uniform grading system and principals and teachers must ensure student grades conform to this system; and

WHEREAS, on August 11, 2020, via Resolution No. 20-21/008, the Board approved a temporary grading system for the 2020-21 School Year to ensure students are not unfairly impacted by the ongoing changes to their learning environment; and

WHEREAS, the District is committed to ensuring student achievement and recognizes further adjustments to the grading system for the 2020-2021 Second Semester/Third and Fourth Quarter are needed to continue to support students’ academic success amidst a global pandemic and during distance learning.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE BOARD DOES HEREBY RESOLVE, DECLARE, DETERMINE, AND ORDER AS FOLLOWS:

1. The Board hereby finds and determines that the foregoing recitals are true and correct.

2. The Board hereby suspends the grading system established in Administrative Regulation 5121 for the 2020-2021 School Year, replaces Resolution No. 20-21/008 and adopts the following temporary system for the 2020-2021 Second Semester/Third and Fourth Quarter:
 - a. For all students enrolled in the Centinela Valley Union High School District, grades for achievement in non-Apex course shall be reported for each grading period as follows:

i.	A	88 - 100%	Outstanding Achievement	4.0 grade points
ii.	B	76 - 87%	Above Average Achievement	3.0 grade points
iii.	C	64 - 75%	Average Achievement	2.0 grade points
iv.	D	40 - 63%	Below Average Achievement	1.0 grade point
v.	F	0 - 39%	Little or No Achievement	0 grade points
 - b. The District's tiered interventions strategies established per SB 98/Education Code §43504 will be utilized to initiate early academic intervention for students earning a D or F at each progress reporting term.
 - c. If a student does not complete an Apex course at 100% complete and earn a grade of D (40 - 63%) or above, they receive no grade for that term, and continue the course the next term in order to complete the course at 100% and earn a passing grade. No grade of F shall be issued for an Apex course.
3. The Board hereby confirms that the grading system set forth in Administrative Regulation 5121 will continue to apply to all District students after the 2020-2021 School Year.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED THIS 16th DAY OF DECEMBER 2020, by the Governing Board of the Centinela Valley Union High School District in Lawndale, California by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

CENTINELA VALLEY UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

By: _____
President, Board of Education

ATTEST:

By: _____
Clerk, Board of Education