



## Santa Ana Unified School District Grading Policy for Spring 2020

On April 28, 2020, the Governing Board of Santa Ana Unified School District (SAUSD) approved a policy for grading during the Spring 2020 semester. This policy was created to reflect changes in instruction caused by the closure of schools to students, and the implementation of distance learning amid the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. The Board decided that this policy offered the most fair option to measure the achievement of students who are facing unprecedented challenges.

Here is a summary of the policy by grade level:

- **Elementary School Classrooms:** Comment-only report cards reflecting student learning between Jan. 6th - March 13.
- **Intermediate School Classes:** A, B, or C reflecting student learning between Jan. 6 - March 13. Students cannot receive a grade lower than their grade status as of March 13. Students should be assigned a grade for every course they were enrolled in as of March 16.
- **High School Classes:** A, B, or C reflecting student learning between Jan 6 - March 13. Students cannot receive a grade lower than their grade status as of March 13. Courses in partnership with other providers (i.e. SAC, UC Scout, APEX, etc.) if assigning a letter grade will be converted into an A,B, or C on SAUSD transcripts. Students should be assigned a grade for every course they were enrolled in as of March 16.
- **EdOptions - courses with 4th quarter start:** Students are granted an A, B, or C for any class that they were enrolled in at time of closure, including new 4th quarter classes that started March 16th. On a case-by-case basis, students in APEX and ISP courses may be approved for enrollment in additional courses that would have been part of their 4th quarter schedule in order to stay on track for May graduation.

We want to emphasize that during school closure, all distance learning activities and learning packets are considered enrichment. Students may make up missing work assigned prior to March 13., and they can also be assigned extra credit for participation in distance learning activities while schools are physically closed. As we cannot require attendance, work completion, or guarantee universal access to learning, we cannot require that our students turn in work for grading or credit.

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