## **GALENA PARK**

## INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Dear Middle School Students and Parents,

Galena Park I.S.D. is sensitive to the issues facing our students and their families during this time of uncertainty in our country and school community. We will continue to make accommodations to support our students to the best of our abilities. In an effort to assist students during this time, modifications are being made to the traditional grading procedures for our middle school students.

## 4th Nine Weeks Grading Guidelines:

For students in grades 6-8, one grade will be recorded per week for each course in which a student is enrolled. Assignments will be distributed to students through:

- Virtual instruction with the classroom teacher
- Paper packets (Please note: The last paper packet pick-up will be Tuesday, April 14<sup>th</sup> from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. at NSSH and GPHS)
- Online learning opportunities available on the District's website.

All grades will have equal weight when calculating the average grade for the 4<sup>th</sup> nine weeks period. Final examinations will not be administered this semester.

**Courses for High School Credit:** Students enrolled in a Spanish course, who do **not** have a 70 average or higher for the second semester by May 4, 2020, will be enrolled in a Credit Recovery online course. Students who fail other high school credit courses will **not** have the grade entered on their transcript and **will** have to retake the course.

**Promotion:** Students must have a yearly average of 70 or higher in English Language Arts, Math, Science, and Social Studies to be promoted. Those in danger of not being promoted will receive a **Course Remediation and Recovery Assignment** in May. Students who do **not** meet the promotion standards at the end of the year, but successfully complete the remediation assignments will be promoted.

**STAAR/STAAR End-of-Course (EOC) Testing**: STAAR and EOC test administrations for 2020 Spring and Summer have been waived by Governor Greg Abbott. Students enrolled in an EOC tested course will **not** have to complete the corresponding EOC test, provided they pass the course for the school year.

Our thoughts continue to be with you and your families during this unprecedented time. Please feel free to contact your child's principal, counselor or teachers as needed.

Sincerely,

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