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# GALENA PARK

## INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Dear Elementary 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 elementary school students.

#### 4<sup>th</sup> Nine Weeks Grading Guidelines:

For students in grades Kindergarten – 5<sup>th</sup>, one grade will be recorded per week per subject. 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.

#### Promotion Guidelines:

- **Kindergarteners** are eligible for promotion if they have demonstrated 28 out of 37 assessed skills as “Developed” or higher by their teacher (students who **do not** demonstrate the required skills will be “placed” into 1<sup>st</sup> grade).
- **First graders** are promoted by earning a yearly average of 70 or higher in reading and math.
- **Second through fifth graders** are promoted by earning a yearly average of 70 or higher in reading and math, **and** a 70 or higher in at least **two** of the following subjects: Language Arts, Science, and Social Studies.

Students in danger of not being promoted will receive a **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 work will be eligible for promotion.

**STAAR Testing:** STAAR test administrations for Spring and Summer 2020 have been waived by Governor Greg Abbott.

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,



Angi Williams, Ed.D.  
Superintendent of Schools

