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As the end of the 2020-2021 school year winds down, students at Frontier High School have demonstrated a tremendous resilience and commitment to their learning. Our decision making process regarding end of year grading prioritizes students knowing and understanding the essential material and learning standards for each course and completing the work necessary to demonstrate their learning. We are aware of the challenges this year for our families and students and have sought to balance accountability and empathy for these challenges.

In order for a student to receive <u>course credit</u>, during the 2020-2021 school year, students will have to meet one of three criteria stated below:

Student earning Credit Option One: The student has a cumulative average of 65% or higher for a course over 4 quarters. Final grades will be computed MP1+MP2+MP3+MP4/4 = Final Average. Half-year courses will be 2 relevant quarters/2.

Student earning Credit Option Two: Student has a passing average of 65% or higher. These students are exempt from the local exam/final project. If a student has a cumulative average below 65% and they earn 65% or higher on the in-class local final exam/final project, they will earn course credit. Averages will be computed using one of the two options below:

- Students whose cumulative average remains below 65% but have passed the local final exam/final project will receive a *65% for their final grade
- Students whose cumulative average exceeds 65% by virtue of passing the local final exam/final project will receive their earned grade. (Q1, Q2, Q3, Q4, FinalExam/5)

Student earning Credit Option Three: Student has a passing average of 65% or higher, they are exempt from taking the Regents examination. However, we strongly encourage our students to take the Regents examinations offered in June. If the student has an average below 65% and they earn 65% or higher on the Regents exam for a Regents level course, they will earn course credit. Averages will be computed using one of the two options below

- Students whose cumulative average remains below 65% but have passed the Regents exam will receive a *65% for their final grade
- Students whose cumulative average exceeds 65% by virtue of passing the Regents exam will receive their earned grade. (Q1, Q2, Q3, Q4, Final Exam/5)

COURSEWORK WITH ARTICULATION AGREEMENTS MAY BE SUBJECT TO ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS AS STIPULATED BY THE COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY. Students who are currently passing their courses will be considered exempt from Regents and local final exams/projects.

Advanced Placement Courses

Students enrolled in Advanced Placement Courses (AP) will take their respective AP examinations using the College Board guidelines and administration dates. Details will be provided by their teachers.

Regents Examinations

The Board of Regents approved regulatory amendments for students who are scheduled to take exams during the June 2021 and August 2021 examination periods. Students who earn course credit are exempt from passing the associated Regents exam of that Regents course in order to meet diploma requirements. This June, four Regents exams will still be administered. They are Algebra 1, English Language Arts (ELA), Living Environment and Earth Science. The exemption applies to these exams as well. If a student is enrolled in one of these 4 courses and is passing the course, they would be considered exempt from taking the exam. We strongly encourage our students to take the Regents examinations for all Regents exams that are offered in June. The choice to record a score or an "E" for exempt on a student's transcript will be made in consultation with the student, and the student's choice for official transcript purposes will be respected. (FAQ Related to the June 2021 and August 2021 Exemptions from Diploma Requirements - 3/19/21).

In conclusion, we would like to thank you for your continued support of Frontier High School as we adapt to the changing academic world. Please know that administration and counselors are available to speak with you and address any concerns you may have regarding any of the information above. As always, we remain

Sincerely in education,

Daniel A. Charland

Principal