



Extension of Secondary Temporary CR/NC Grading Policy

Semester 2

2020-2021

Our Belief

PUSD believes that grades serve a valuable instructional purpose by helping students and parents/guardians understand performance expectations and identifying the student's areas of strength and those areas needing improvement. ([Board Policy 5121](#))

Middle and High School

Semester 2 Grades

- Students who earned a Semester 2 grade of a D will instead receive a Credit (CR) mark
- Students who earned a Semester 2 grade of an F will instead receive a No Credit (NC) mark
- Students who receive a CR or NC mark may need to retake the course in order to meet graduation and/or college entrance requirements

EQUITY FOR ALL STUDENTS

The District recognizes that not all students have had the same access and opportunity to excel during remote learning. As a result, the District desires to provide students in grades 6-12 with Credit (CR) in lieu of D grades and No Credit (NC) in lieu of F grades. This allows students who receive D or F grades to avoid the immediate impact on the transcript until the course is remediated. Additionally, the District desires to mitigate the negative emotional impact that failing grades on a report card might have on the mental health of students during the global COVID-19 pandemic.

- Students who have earned passing grades, and those who have earned an extra grade weighting in Advanced Placement and Honors-level courses with A, B, and C grades, will have these grades upheld.
- A Credit/No-Credit does not affect a student's GPA negatively as does a D or F grade. Students may need to retake the course if the course and/or credits are needed for graduation and/or college entrance requirements.
- The following temporary grading policy will be implemented for all students, including students who receive Special Education or related services through an Individualized Education Plan (IEP) or a 504 plan.