

EXAM EXEMPTION POLICY

1. All students 9-12 shall take exams at the end of the first semester.
2. Underclassmen (9-11) may be exempted from all but two core exams (English, Math, Social Studies, Science) at the second semester. These students are required to take exams in the two core areas for which they scored the lowest by the end of the fourth nine weeks. Exemptions shall be based on the following criteria:
 - A. Student has an "A" average and has no more than three absences during the school year.
 - B. Student has a "B" average and has no more than two absences during the school year.
 - C. Student has a "C" average and has no more than one absence during the school year.
 - D. All students may take a non required exam to improve their grade point average; however, if the exam hurts them, it shall not count.
3. Prior to October 1, 2004, the principal shall submit a list of courses for which no written exams will be given. This list must be approved by the Board of Education and any changes to which courses require exams and which courses do not require exams must be approved by the Board.
3. Seniors may be exempted from all exams at the second semester based on the same criteria listed above, with absences to be counted only during the second semester for exemptions.
4. Exams shall count no more than 20% of the semester grade and no less than 15% of the semester grade.

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Reviewed and amended by Board Action: January 23, 2006, changing the effective date for absences being counted for the full year from 05-06 school year to 06-07 school year.