

CAUSE ADVISORY

Grades & Grading: During the COVID-19 Event Good news ! Clarity exists.

CUSD Faculty Colleagues,

There has been both a need and desire (by teachers & the families we serve) to better understand how the CUSD will be addressing student grading and grades during the COVID-19 closures.

Although the nuances of how individual teachers weigh, register, and communicate grades on a per assignment basis remain a teacher's decision, the foundation for those grades (*during the COVID-19 closures*) has been resolved.

The foundation, moving forward, is:

- 1.) Student grades will be based on the OFFICIAL GRADE they had earned just prior to COVID-19 school closure.
- 2.) Grades will not be lowered, based on student performance during the COVID-19 school closures.
- 3.) Students may raise their grades, if they engage and apply themselves in the process of "Remote Learning."
- 4.) Regardless of a student's grade in the class, they are encouraged to engage in the process of "Remote Learning."

We encourage you to share these OPENLY with the families you serve, and hope it provides them with the clarity they are seeking and deserve.

Although we recognize that such transparency provides students opportunities to 'game' the process, it seems more important that our students' parents, guardians, and care-givers are provided clear expectations as they manage the shifting priorities these COVID-19 closures have created for their families.

An example of how I personally shared these details with my students and their families (through PARENT SQUARE & GOOGLE CLASSROOM) is attached. You are welcome to cut and paste as you wish.

In service,

