

August 12, 2021

RE: New State Legislation

Dear CRPUSD Families:

State <u>Assembly Bill (AB) 104</u> provides options for students and parents/guardians to address learning recovery needs. Each area of the new law is described below.

Student Retention for 2021-2022

Parents/guardians of students enrolled in kindergarten through 11th grade during the 2020-21 school year who received deficient grades for at least one-half of the coursework in 2020-21 may provide a *written request* to the school for a meeting to discuss student retention for the 2021-22 school year. Staff will meet with the parent/guardian and student to discuss learning recovery options, research regarding retention, and data regarding student progress. The District has the final decision. If you are interested in a discussion regarding retention, please contact your child's school.

Opportunity to Change Grades to Pass No/Pass

Students who were enrolled in high school during the 2020-21 school year may apply to have one or more letter grades replaced with a Pass/No Pass Grade. Our application process can be found on our website and at the websites for Rancho Cotate High School, El Camino High School and Technology High School.

The California State University system must accept Pass/No Pass Grades without prejudice for an applicant who had enrolled in a high school in the state during any school year from 2020-21 to 2023-24. Some higher education institutions, including those from other states, may not accept Pass/No Pass Grades. *A separate letter with details on grade change is being provided to families of high school students.*

Graduation Requirements

Students enrolled in their 3rd or 4th year of high school during the 2020-21 school year and who are not on track to graduate in four years, will be provided the opportunity to complete the state graduation requirements to graduate. Options can include, but are not limited to, a fifth year of instruction or credit recovery. We are in the process of identifying eligible students and will provide more information as it becomes available.

If you have any questions, please contact your child's school.

Thank you,

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