

AB104: Pass/No Pass Grade Change Option

In recognition of the challenges posed by distance learning during the 2020-21 school year, Gov. Gavin Newsom signed Assembly Bill 104 (Gonzalez) on July 1, 2021. The bill provides for a limited process to request that high school grades earned during the 2020-21 school year be changed from a letter grade to Pass or No Pass. This process applies only to students attending high school during the 2020-21 school year.

Education Code

Pursuant to Education Code Section 49066.5 (2)(b): The parent, guardian, or education rights holder of a pupil or, for a pupil 18 years of age or older, the pupil who was enrolled in high school and enrolled in a course during the 2020–21 school year may apply to the pupil’s local educational agency to have a letter grade earned for that course, as reflected on the pupil’s transcript, changed to a Pass or No Pass grade.

Important Information Regarding Potential Impact of Grade Changes on College Admissions

Assembly Bill 104 requires that the California State University system not penalize students for Pass/No Pass grades for admission purposes for any applicant who was enrolled in a California high school during any school year from the 2020-21 school year to the 2023-24 school year.

This requirement does not apply to the University of California, private postsecondary educational institutions in California, or any public or private postsecondary educational institution outside of California. Though the bill encourages, it does not require, the University of California and private colleges and universities to accept the pass or no pass grades.

A list of postsecondary educational institutions in California that have indicated they will not penalize students for Pass/No Pass grades for admission purposes may be found at www.cde.ca.gov/ci/gs/ps/ab104surveyresults.asp .

PLEASE NOTE: Some postsecondary educational institutions, including those in other states, may not accept a Pass or No Pass grade instead of a letter grade for admission purposes. If the pupil in question has applied for, or is intending to apply for admission to a postsecondary educational institution that does not appear on the list noted above, a consultation with the Admissions office of that institution is highly recommended.

Process for Requesting a Grade Change

To be eligible for a grade change, the pupil must have been enrolled in high school in the 2020-21 academic year.

There is no limit on the number or type of courses eligible for a grade change.

If you are requesting a Grade Change please schedule an appointment with your counselor: <https://www.dinuba.k12.ca.us/Page/2838>