On July 1, 2021, Assembly Bill 104 (AB 104) became a law which provides parents and guardians with options to address student learning gaps related to the COVID-19 pandemic. This webpage outlines three main provisions of the law that families may consider for their student.

**Request to Repeat a Grade Level:**

- AB 104 provides a process for parents/guardians to request that their student repeat the grade they were enrolled in last school year. At the junior high and high school level, parents/guardians can make this request if their student received a D, F, or No Pass grade for at least one-half of their coursework in the 2020-2021 school year. At the elementary school level, parents/guardians may make this request if their student did not meet grade-level standards for at least one-half the standards identified on the end of year report card.
- Once a parent/guardian's request is received, the school will schedule a meeting within 30 days to determine if repeating a grade is in the student's best interest. A final decision will be provided to the parent/guardian within 10 days of this meeting. Regardless of the decision to repeat a grade, specific interventions and supports (academic and/or social-emotional) will be discussed and offered. If a student has an Individualized Education Plan (IEP), parents should request an IEP meeting to discuss retention options and available supports.
- To request a meeting to discuss having your child repeat a grade, contact their child’s school to request a meeting.

**Request for Changes to Pass / No Pass Grades for 2020-21:**

- AB 104 also provides a process for parents/guardians of high school students to request that a letter grade received in the 2020-2021 school year be changed to a Pass (P) or No Pass (NP) grade. Such changes will not negatively impact a student’s grade point average.
- The law requires the California State University, as well as encourages private colleges/universities and the University of California, to accept changed transcripts for admission purposes. However, not all colleges, including some universities in other states, will accept a “P” or “NP” grade for admission purposes. Additionally, “P” or “NP” grades may not be accepted for National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) eligibility purposes.
- The state compiled a list of colleges that will accept, for admission purposes, a transcript with a “P” or “NP” grade instead of a letter grade.
- To request a grade change for the 2020-2021 school year, contact your child’s school NO LATER THAN September 30, 2021.

**Consideration for State Minimum Graduation Requirements (This applies to 2020-21 Junior and Seniors Only):**

- Finally, AB 104 indicates that high school students who were in the 11th or 12th grade during the 2020-2021 school year, and who were not on track to graduate in four years, may be exempt from the district's graduation requirements that exceed statewide requirements. The law also requires high schools to provide credit recovery support for these students, including the option to retake courses, or to enroll in a fifth year of high school, to complete state graduation requirements.
- For more information, please contact your student's school counselor.