



SCHOOL BOARD OF BREVARD COUNTY, FLORIDA
School Board Policy Executive Summary
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Policy Number:	5421.01
Title of Policy:	Grade Forgiveness
Cabinet Member:	Tara Harris
Purpose of Revisions:	The purpose of the proposed NEW policy is to ensure compliance with all applicable federal and state laws, Florida State Board of Education Rules, Board policies, administrative rules, procedures, and guidelines. In addition, the proposed revisions promote transparency and accountability.
Tentative Schedule:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cabinet – N/A (Have to Legal by the week prior to Cabinet) • Work Session – 10/24/23 • Rule Development (Public Hearing) – 11/14/23 • School Board Meeting Information – 11/14/23 • School Board Meeting Approval – 12/12/23 • Effective Date – upon approval
Summary of Proposed Policy Revisions:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This policy is being created to clarify the procedures regarding grade forgiveness for students in grades 6-12 taking high school courses, and other changes in compliance with applicable Florida law. • This new policy does encompass the suggested language from NEOLA. F.S.
Specific Legal Authority:	1003.4282
Next Steps:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New policy was already included in the Student Progression Plan and being followed by schools.

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TECHNICAL CORRECTION - VOL. 16, NO. 2

GRADE FORGIVENESS

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- A. High school students may replace a grade of "D" or "F", or the equivalent of a grade of "D" or "F":
 - 1. for required courses, with a grade of "C" or higher, or the equivalent of a grade of "C" or higher, earned subsequently in the same or comparable course; and
 - 2. for elective courses, with a grade of "C" or higher, or the equivalent of a grade of "C" or higher, earned subsequently in another course.

- B. Students in the middle grades (6-8) who take any high school course for high school credit may replace a grade of "C", "D", or "F", or the equivalent of a grade of "C", "D", or "F", with a grade of "C" or higher, or the equivalent of a grade of "C" or higher, earned subsequently in the same or comparable course.

Only the new grade shall be used in the calculation of the student's GPA. Any course grade not replaced according to this policy shall be included in the calculation of the cumulative GPA required for graduation.

| F.S. ~~1003.428(4)(d)~~, 1003.4282(6)

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- II. The Student Progression Plan (SPP) adopted for the school year is incorporated by reference and can be found [here](#).

Adopted _____

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