



Fort Davis Junior-Senior High School

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Dear FDHS Parents and Students,

RE: Advanced Course Designation for UIL Eligibility Purposes

We are required to identify our advanced classes for purposes of UIL participation eligibility. This information complies with the Texas Administrative Code, Title 19, the Texas Education Code, Section 33, and the University Interscholastic League. Information from each is shown below.

TAC, Title 19, Part 2, §74.30. Identification of Honors Courses.

(a) The following are identified as honors classes as referred to in the Texas Education Code, §33.081(d)(1), concerning extracurricular activities:(1) all College Board advanced placement courses and International Baccalaureate courses in all disciplines;

(2) English language arts: high school/college concurrent enrollment classes that are included in the "Community College General Academic Course Guide Manual (Part One)";

(3) Languages other than English: high school/college concurrent enrollment classes that are included in the "Community College General Academic Course Guide Manual (Part One)," and languages other than English courses Levels IV-VII;

(4) Mathematics: high school/college concurrent enrollment classes that are included in the "Community College General Academic Course Guide Manual (Part One)" and Precalculus;

(5) Science: high school/college concurrent enrollment classes that are included in the "Community College General Academic Course Guide Manual (Part One)"; and

(6) Social studies: Social Studies Advanced Studies, Economics Advanced Studies, and high school/college concurrent enrollment classes that are included in the "Community College General Academic Course Guide Manual (Part One)."(b) Districts may identify additional honors courses in the subject areas of English language arts, mathematics, science, social studies, economics, or a language other than English for the purpose of this section, but must identify such courses prior to the semester in which any exemptions related to extracurricular activities occur.

(c) Districts are neither required to nor restricted from considering courses as honors for the purpose of grade point average calculation.

UIL Academic Eligibility Basics

Basics of No Pass, No Play

- Must be passing all courses (except identified advanced classes).
- Students lose eligibility for a three-week period, which is defined as 15 class days. Exception: one but only one of the three school weeks may consist of only three or four class days, provided the school has been dismissed for a scheduled holiday period. Two class days does not constitute a school week. Exception: Thanksgiving if schools are on holiday Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.
- School week begins at 12:01 a.m. on the first instructional day of the calendar week and ends at the close of instruction on the last instructional day of the calendar week (excluding holidays).
- Ineligible students must wait seven (7) calendar days after a three-week evaluation period and the grading period to regain eligibility.
- Students may regain eligibility an unlimited number of times throughout the school year. Passing means a minimum grade of 70 on all courses (except identified advanced classes).
- Note: Spring break can't be part of the 3-week evaluation process. All students are eligible during spring break.

Advanced and Honors Classes

The following courses are identified as advanced and, as such, eligible for exemption as noted in section 33.081 of the Texas Education Code:

- Any College Board Advanced Placement (AP) Course or International Baccalaureate (IB) Course. and;
- Honors* and high school/college concurrent enrollment classes (that are included in Part One of the “Community College General Academic Course Guide Manual”) in the subject areas of English Language Arts, Mathematics, Science, Social Studies, Economics or language other than English.

* Districts may identify honors courses only in the subject areas of English language arts, mathematics, science, social studies, economics, or a language other than English as eligible for exemption. But districts must identify such courses prior to the semester in which any exemptions related to extracurricular activities occur.

- Districts are neither required to nor restricted from considering courses as honors for the purpose of grade point average calculation.
 - It is important to remember that school districts may voluntarily impose stricter standards than those cited in this document.
 - Honors courses do not have to be submitted to the University Interscholastic League. They should be maintained at the local school district level.
 - Questions and/or requests for additional information should be directed to the UIL Office: policy@uiltexas.org
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Fort Davis High School designates the following courses as advanced courses for the purpose of determining UIL participation eligibility for the 2021-2022 school year:

- All high school/college concurrent enrollment classes (dual-credit) being offered for the 2021-2022 school year.
- English I Honors, English II Honors
- Algebra I Honors, Algebra II Honors, Geometry Honors
- Biology Honors, Chemistry Honors, Physics Honors, Environmental Science, Anatomy and Physiology
- World Geography Honors, World History Honors, US History Honors

Students in the designated advanced classes must maintain a minimum grade of 60 to remain eligible for participation in UIL competitive activities.

Students must meet the following requirements in order to enroll, and maintain, in Honors level courses.

Students must meet two of the following three criteria to enroll in an Honors course:

1. Earn an 85 or higher in the corresponding class;
2. Earn Level III on the most current state assessment in the corresponding subject; and/or
3. Receive approval from the Principal, the Counselor, and the Department Chairperson

Students maintain enrollment in an Honors course based on the following:

1. Maintain an 80 or higher in the Honors course;
2. Review of grade average at the first three week progress reporting time will generate a written warning if the student's grade is below 80; and
3. Review of grade average at each six week reporting period will remove student from the Honors course if the student's grade is below 80

NOTE: Once a student is dismissed from an Honors course, he or she may not re-enroll in the Honors level course.

Questions regarding student eligibility should be directed to the Counselor, or the Campus Principal.

Sincerely,



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Superintendent