

## EXEMPTION INFORMATION 2009/2010

All students will have the opportunity for exemptions from final semester exams based on attendance and grades according to the following:								
Fall & Spring <b>Regular Exemptions</b>				Spring only – <b>Additional Exemptions</b>				
Gr	Regular Exempted Exams allowed:	Numerical Grade	Number of Absences Allowed	Gr	Additional Exempted Exams allowed:	Numerical Grade	Number of Absences Allowed	
9	1 per semester	80+	5	9	Plus 2	Pass TAKS exams	70+	5
10	2 per semester	80+	5	10	Plus 4		70+	5
11	3 per semester	80+	5	11	Plus 4		70+	5
12	4 (Fall); 7 (Spr) per semester	80+	5					

Note: Any student may elect to take an exam even though he/she has qualified for an exemption. If the exam grade will improve the student's grade, he/she may choose to have the exam grade count.

### **EXEMPTIONS ARE NOT BASED ON TEACHER DISCRETION**

Does NOT count towards exemptions	Does count towards exemptions	Immediate Loss of Exemption
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>School Sponsored Field Trips</li> <li>Absence initiated by administrator (pass to office)</li> <li>Doctor Return Note (DR) – (A student attends school before or after a doctor/dentist appointment and supplies a doctor note.)</li> <li>College Day</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Student chooses to visit nurse, office, etc.</li> <li>Doctor Note (DN) – (A student does <u>not</u> attend school before or after a doctor/dentist appointment and supplies a doctor note.)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Failure to clear lost textbook, fee or fine</li> <li>Suspension from school</li> <li>ALC</li> <li><u>U</u> (unsatisfactory) in conduct; including referral to AP office</li> </ul>

Lost Cards: Students will be issued one card only. If lost, one replacement will be available for a \$2.00 fee. **NO duplicate OOPS cards will be issued for any reason.**

Card Distribution / Return: **Exemption cards will be issued to each student during lunch periods.** Exemption Cards will be filed in the Assistant Principals' Office. **DO NOT ALLOW STUDENTS TO LEAVE CLASS EARLY TO TURN IN EXEMPTION CARDS.** **They are due at the end of the day by 2:45 on Monday Dec 14, 2009 to Assistant Principal's Office.**

Loss of Exemption: Exemptions will be determined before the final grades and absences are calculated. Therefore, the students will be informed that the exemptions could be revoked. If the student's grade or number of absences no longer makes him/her eligible for the exemption, the teacher will notify the A.P. office and the student that their exemption has been revoked. If an exemption has been revoked, the student will not be allowed to acquire a different exemption after the deadline.

Semester Average: The semester average should be calculated by adding the three six weeks' averages and dividing by three when a student is exempt from the semester exam.