

KCS Grading Plan

Spring Semester 2020



Three Phases

- **Phase One**
 - Thursday, April 16th through Wednesday, April 22nd.
- **Phase Two**
 - Friday, April 24th through Wednesday, April 29th.
- **Phase Three**
 - Friday, May 1st through Monday, May 18th.



Phase One

- **Thursday, April 16th through Wednesday, April 22nd.**
- Teachers finalizing student Quarter 3 grades.
- Based on work assigned prior to March 12th.
- SDHS teachers have been in contact about completing missing work and redoing assignments.
- Students must check Canvas and school email for information.



Phase Two

- **Friday, April 24th through Wednesday, April 29th.**
- Students and parents have access to Quarter 3 grades and will have 2 options.
 - **Option A** - Parents & Students decide to accept Quarter 3 grade as is. No more review materials or work to complete.
 - **Option B** - improve grade with review material provided by classroom teacher.
- Must select an option. Expect contact from classroom teachers about how parents and students want to move forward. If you do not hear from a teacher then please reach out to them in case we have outdated contact info for you.



Phase Three

- **Friday, May 1st through Monday, May 18th. (Selected Option B)**
- Students work with classroom teacher via Canvas and Aspen to complete review material to improve grade.
- If student experiences an extenuating circumstance that prevents them from completing and submitting the review material, teacher will use quarter 3 grade as final grade for quarter 3.
- Student can appeal this decision with Mr. Berry between August 10-24th. If approved, students will have until October 9th to submit work and improve grade(s). Must be an extenuating circumstance for approval consideration.



Additional Guidance

- All Spring 2020 final grades will be included in a student's grade point average (GPA) calculation.
- Teachers will have an opportunity to add extra points for Honors, AP, IB, State-Wide Dual Credit, and National Industry Certification classes when they post Q4 grades in May.
- No student will receive a grade lower than they grade they had on March 20, 2020.
- Teachers will honor all IEP and 504 modifications.



Senior Graduation Requirements

Seniors in the class of 2020 can graduate with 20 credits:

- Math (4)
- English (4)
- Science (3)
- Social Studies (2)
- plus 7 elective credits.

All other graduation credit requirements are suspended.



Improving Grades – Seniors

- Once Quarter 3 grades are posted Seniors ,like all other grade levels, will have the opportunity to let each class grade stand as is or do work to improve the grade. Nothing will lower the grade.
- Teacher Online Hours/Availability is posted on the website. If you are failing a course within the new parameters (20 credits) then you will need to work with your teacher to raise the grade in order to graduate. Make-up/Recovery work should be completed by May 18th. With approval from Mr. Berry, students may be unenrolled from a course and enrolled in Edgenuity to recover the course.
- If you are an athlete who plans to play sports in college - please be aware of the requirements for your University and the NCAA/NAIA.



Dual Enrollment Courses

- Dual Enrollment courses are still graded through the method determined by the credit-granting institution regardless of whether the instructor is a Knox County teacher or not.
- These classes and grades fall outside of the grading process for all other courses.
- If a student wishes to drop or take an incomplete, they should contact their school principal.



AP Courses

- Students who took Fall AP Courses already received their +5 AP points on their average. They must take the AP Test to keep those extra points.
- Students who are taking a Spring AP Course are NOT required to take the test to get the extra +5 points.
- AP Calculus would keep their +5 points for the Fall if they take the Calculus AB test.



Extra Points for Honors, DE, and AP Courses

- All extra points for Honors, Dual Enrollment, and AP Courses will be added at the end of Phase 3 when we post grades for Quarter 4.



Counseling Help and Questions

- Mrs. Dixon and I will be offering opportunities for you to sign up for a digital conference to discuss graduation requirements and answer questions.
- We will review your transcript and let you know where you stand credit-wise if you are confused when reading through your online transcript in Aspen.
- Please check the school website to sign-up for a digital conference appointment.
- Appointment slots next week will be:
 - Tuesday April 21st 9am-10am and 2pm-3pm
 - Thursday April 23rd from 9am-10am.



Questions?

Reach out to classroom teachers using the Teacher Office Hours and Online Meeting Times link on the SDHS website.



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