# 2020-21 PASS-NO MARK STATUS: MIDDLE SCHOOL

| Student ID | Student Name: Last | First | Middle | Grade |
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## 2020-21 PASS-NO MARK RULES AND PROCEDURES: MIDDLE SCHOOL

In 2020-21, changes have been made to grading rules for middle school students.

- All final marks of "F" will automatically receive a No Mark, "NM", with no action needed by student/family.
- A mark of "NM" will not be averaged into the student's grade-point average.
- All final marks of "D" and "D+" will automatically receive a Pass, "P", with no action needed by student/family.
- With parent/guardian approval, passing marks ("A" through "C-") may be replaced with a mark of "P" by completing this form and returning it to the school counselor/student services department. This decision may not be reversed.
- A mark of "P" (in lieu of grades "A" through "D") will earn credit and will allow for enrollment in the next course but will not be averaged into the student's grade-point average. Only the letter "P" shall be recorded on the final transcript.
- It is important for students and families to review the important considerations and frequently asked questions prior to submitting the request for pass-no mark. Information concerning the pass-no mark option for 2020-21 is available to all parents on the following web site: https://www.fcps.edu/academics/grading-and-reporting/secondary/.*
- This form must be submitted in hard copy or via email to the school counselor/Student Services Department by May 10, 2021.

I request to receive a mark of "P" instead of a passing grade for the following courses:

| Course Number | Course Title | Student Initials | Parent Initials |
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(_____ student initials _____ parent initials) I understand that a "P" is only valid for grades of "A" through "D", and a "P" will earn a credit in a high school credit-bearing course but will not count in the grade-point average.

(_____ student initials _____ parent initials) I understand that for any high school credit-bearing courses, the final mark will be included on the high school transcript unless I submit a request to expunge the high school course from the high school transcript.*

(_____ student initials _____ parent initials) I understand that the "P" or "NM" mark will be reflected as the final grade.

(_____ student initials _____ parent initials) I understand that I cannot change this decision after submitting this request.

(_____ student initials _____ parent initials) For high school courses: I understand that the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) and postsecondary institutions define their processes for evaluating the use of "P" in place of letter grades and may vary across postsecondary institutions.

Signature of Student Date

Signature of Parent/Guardian Date

Signature of School Counselor/Director of Student Services or Designee Date

*An additional option is available for high school credit-bearing classes. High school credit-bearing courses will be reflected on the middle and high school transcripts. In accordance with Virginia state regulations, FCPS Regulation 2408 permits parents of students who take a high school credit-bearing course in middle school to request that the grade be omitted from the student's high school transcript and the student not earn high school credit for the course. Parents must make this request no later than the end of the first nine weeks of the school year following completion of the course. The request to expunge as well as guidelines and the procedures for expunging grades for high school courses taken in middle school can be found at the following link: https://www.fcps.edu/sites/default/files/media/forms/is104.pdf



*This form will be filed in the student's cumulative file.*