



ASSEMBLY BILL 104

Assembly Bill 104 was signed on July 1, 2021 and provides direction on retention & grade changes pertaining to the 2020-21 school year.

RETENTION

AB104 creates a process by which parents can request a grade level retention. AB104 does not “replace” any existing retention policy.



POINT #1: RETENTION

- Creates a process by which parents can request a grade level retention
- Does not replace any existing retention policy



POINT #2: ELIGIBILITY

- Students in grades TK-11 in 2020-21 who received deficient grades (D/F/Inc/NM) in at least one half of their coursework



POINT #3: CONSULTATION MEETING

- Within 30 days of request, a parent, student, teacher, administrator meeting shall occur.
- Discussion shall include: learning recovery options, student academic data, relevant social/emotional data, & retention literature

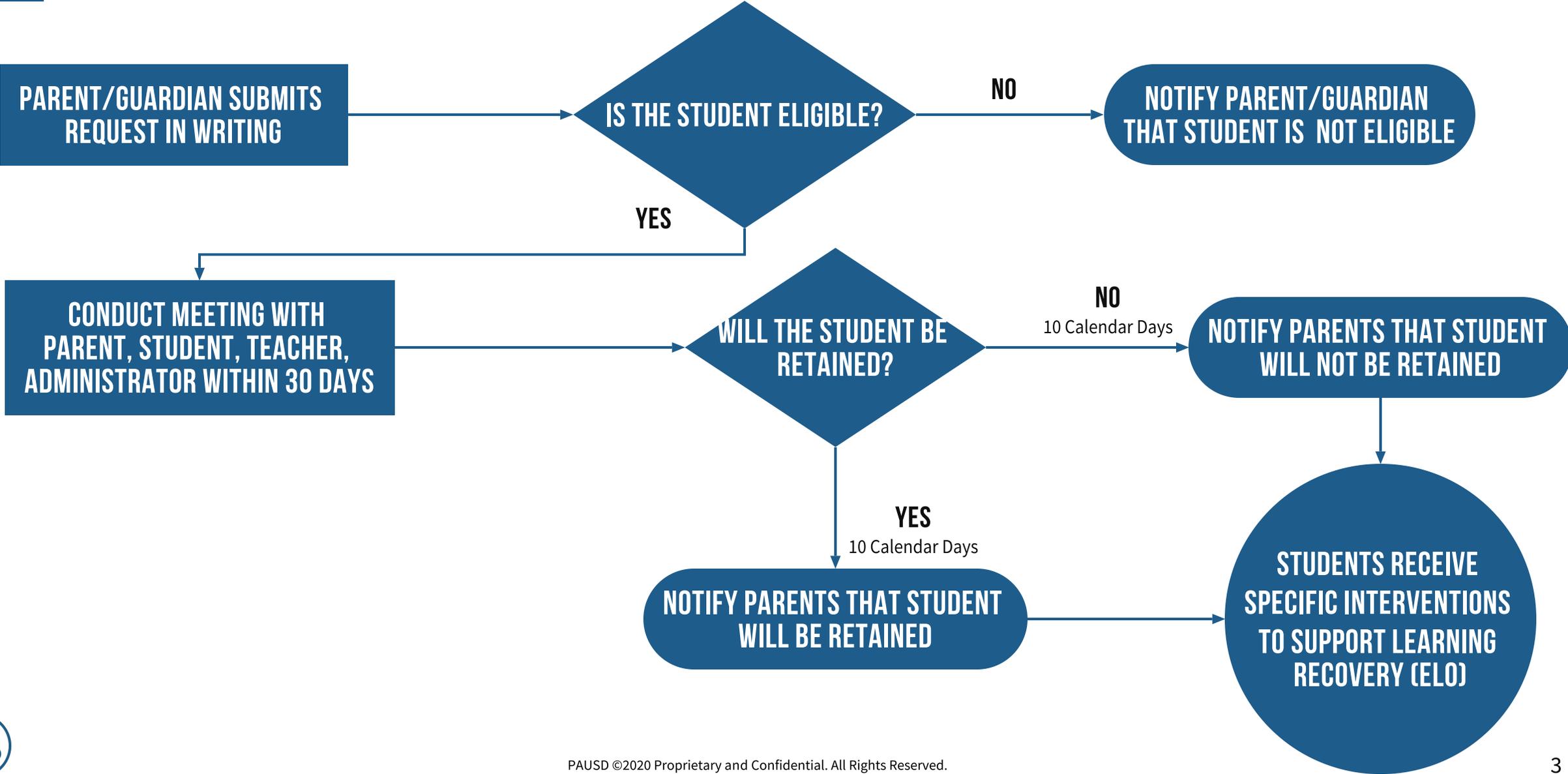


POINT #4: STUDENTS WITH AN IEP

- Retention decisions must be consistent with their IEP



RETENTION PROCESS



GRADE CHANGE REQUEST

AB104 stipulates that a parent/guardian can request a grade change from a letter grade to Pass/No Pass for any High School course on the transcript during the 2020-21 school year.



POINT #1: APPLICATION REQUIRED

- This is a course-by-course request process



POINT #2: IMPACT ON COLLEGE

- Requires CSU and encourages UC/Private institutions to accept the change “without prejudice”.



POINT #3: TIMELINE

- By July 31, districts must post a notice to their website with the application and college impacts.



POINT #4: DEADLINE

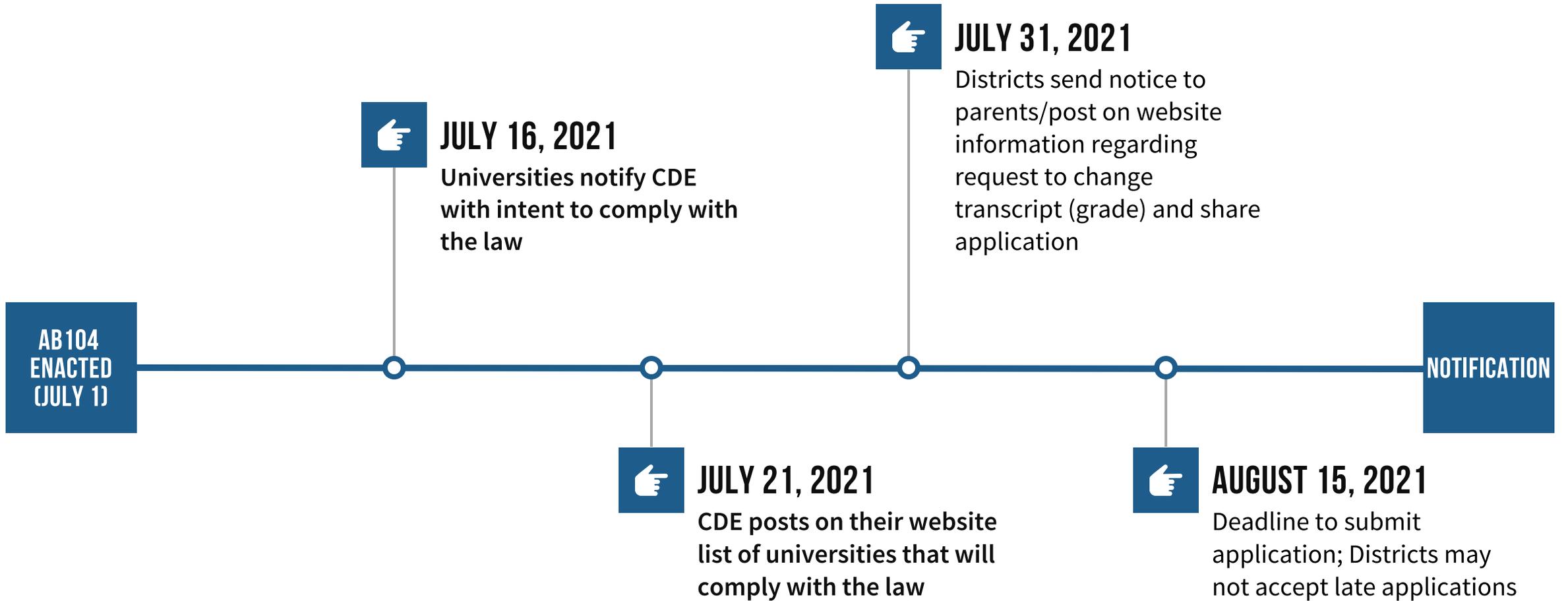
- All applications must be submitted on or before August 15, 2021. Districts may not accept late applications.



POINT #5: NOTIFICATION

Within 15 days of receiving a request to change a transcript, Districts must notify student, in writing, that the grade has been changed.





WITHIN 15 DAYS OF RECEIVING A REQUEST TO CHANGE A TRANSCRIPT (GRADE), THE DISTRICT MUST NOTIFY THE STUDENT, IN WRITING, THAT THE GRADE HAS BEEN CHANGED.



GRADUATION REQUIREMENT EXEMPTIONS

Students in their third or fourth year of high school in the 2020-21 school year and not on track to graduate may be exempt from PAUSD's graduation requirements that exceed statewide requirements



POINT #1: STATEWIDE VS LOCAL CREDIT REQUIREMENTS

- 2020-21 Juniors and Seniors not on track to graduate in four years may be provided the opportunity to graduate using the California Minimum State Graduation Requirements (130 units instead of 220 units).



POINT #2: CREDIT RECOVERY OPTION

- Provide credit recovery support for eligible students, including the option to retake courses, or to enroll in a fifth year of high school, to complete state graduation requirements.



FORMS & INFORMATION



PAUSD RETENTION REQUEST FORM

[TK-11 Form](#)



PAUSD GRADE CHANGE APPLICATION

[Grades 9-11](#)



LIST OF CALIFORNIA POST-SECONDARY INSTITUTIONS ACCEPTING PASS/NO PASS

[List on CDE Website](#)

