

GPA Exempt Courses

Class of 2019 & Beyond

Klein ISD strives to encourage students to pursue their areas of special talents and interests to enrich their academic experiences and achievements. The GPA exemption is in place to allow students to exempt up to two credits during their high school career. We believe this will foster continued and increased involvement in extra-curricular programs and ensure that all of our students have access to a well-rounded education.

How does this system benefit students?

Klein ISD utilizes a weighted grade point system that allows students taking advance courses to receive a GPA greater than 4.0. Students with a cumulative GPA greater than 4.0 will be able to take these courses without suffering the negative impact on their GPA.

Who is eligible?

The opportunity to sign up for GPA exempt courses will begin with students who entered the ninth grade in the Fall of 2013 or later.

To qualify for the GPA exemption for the third or fourth year course, a student must have already taken two years of the course at a high school campus and earned at least a B average. Students must apply before the first day of school in which they are requesting the exemption.

How many courses may a student take as GPA exempt?

Students may exempt up to two credits during their high school career. Students are limited to one credit of exemption during their junior year and one exemption in their senior year.

For more information, contact your school counselor.

How do students enroll in a GPA Exempt course?

- 1. Contact their counselor to apply prior to campus deadline.
- 2. Parents will sign the GPA Exempt enrollment form and return to the counseling office.

Do GPA exempt courses effect eligibility?

Yes. The numerical grades earned in a GPA exempt course will be used to determine eligibility for participation in all UIL and school-sponsored activities. In addition, numerical grades will also be used to determine eligibility for academic awards including earning a letter in academics or admission into organizations such as National Honor Society.

GPA Exempt Courses

Advanced Journalism (Newspaper, Yearbook)
Art (3rd and 4th year)

Athletics (not PE)

Band

Cheerleading

Choir

Color Guard

Debate

Dance Team

JROTC

Oral Interpretation

Orchestra Student

Theatre

(Technical Theatre, Theatre Arts, Theatre

Production)