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MISD Final Exam Exemptions: Fall Semester 2026

Students in **Grades 10-12** may earn an opportunity to be exempt from one or more Fall Semester Exams.
****EOC courses are not eligible for Fall Exam exemptions.**

Exemption Opportunities by Grade Level:

- 10th Grade- if below criteria is met, may select one exam exemption
- 11th Grade- if below criteria is met, may select up to two exam exemptions
- 12th Grade- if below criteria is met, may select up to three exam exemptions

EXEMPTION CRITERIA

Grade Requirement:

- Earn a semester average of 80 or above in the course prior to the district course exam

Discipline Requirement:

- No discipline incidents during current semester which resulted in OSS or DAEP

Attendance Requirement: Cycle 1 and Cycle 2 in Period(s) requesting an exemption:

- Have 0 unexcused absences

AND

- No more than 3 parent verified absences (Codes A or 4) with an 90-100 grade average
- No more than 2 parent verified absences (Codes A or 4) with a 80-89 grade average
- No more than 2 full-day doctor visit absences (Code C)
- No more than 3 tardies (Code T) to the class(es) requesting an exam exemption

Attendance Exclusions not affecting exemption eligibility include:

- Doctor/Medical note partial-day absences (Code D)
- School related absences (Code E)
- College Visits and Career Investigation Days (Code H)
- Military Day (Code 5)
- TEA Approved such as: DPS appt, 4-H, and other TEA approved (Code N)

Note:
Students *may* lose the opportunity for exemptions if the 2nd Cycle grade falls below passing or the final exam grade is necessary for the student to pass the semester.

To Redeem an exam exemption:

- Students must be present on exam days.
- Campuses will create an official list of students eligible for exemptions.
- Teachers have final approval of exemptions based on the anticipated semester average.
- Students may opt out of semester exam exemptions.
- Students cannot be listed on the "Outstanding Fees and/or Dues List."

EXCEPTIONS:
Midland College Dual Credit classes may OR may not be exempt from semester exams, depending on Midland College criteria.