

FINE ARTS UNEXCUSED ABSENCE GRADING POLICY

Students with unexcused absences from scheduled Co-Curricular/Extra-Curricular fine arts events held outside of the regular school day and for which a grade is given are required to do graded makeup work for each event missed in order to receive a grade. Makeup work will be provided by the teacher/director and grading of assignments will follow the district "Retesting Guidelines" as listed in the *Grading and Reporting* section of the current High School Academic Planning Guide. This includes 1) the completion of assigned makeup work in a reasonable amount of time and 2) receiving a **maximum possible grade** of 70 in Level III & IV courses, 75 in Level II courses and 80 in Level I courses. Students choosing not to do makeup assignments, or not completing makeup assignments in the prescribed reasonable amount of time will receive a grade of "0" for the event in question. Additional opportunities to complete makeup work will not be provided after the student's first attempt.

Students are expected to contact the teacher/director well in advance to discuss any conflicts with attendance at events scheduled throughout the year. Determining whether or not an absence will be counted as excused or unexcused is at the discretion of each director. Some examples of excused absences are: medical/dental emergencies or illness, death in the immediate family, religious holiday, or circumstances that may justify an excused absence for reasons other than those listed above in accordance with McKinney ISD Policy. Please refer to *MISD Student Code of Conduct* Handbook for a complete list of extenuating circumstances and non-extenuating circumstances. If an excused absence is anticipated, a written notification will be submitted in advance.