

METROPOLITAN COMMUNITY COLLEGE

DISTRICT REGULATION

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ACADEMIC FORGIVENESS

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- I. The district recognizes that students who continue their enrollment after an extended period of absence may at times be seriously encumbered in their renewed scholarship efforts by a prior academic record that is exceptionally poor, i.e. consisting primarily of D and F grades. The district further recognizes that in some cases it may be prudent to exempt all or part of the prior academic record from inclusion in the computation of the student's cumulative grade point average (G.P.A.). Such exemptions would constitute academic forgiveness.
- II. Academic forgiveness would normally be limited to those cases in which the student's prior record represents such an earlier period of time, seven years or more, that it may not reasonably reflect the student's current maturity with respect to motivation, attitudes, and abilities.
- III. Provisions
 - A. Students seeking academic forgiveness will submit their request in writing to the campus dean of instruction. A thorough justification for the exemption would be included with the student's request.
 - B. The student must have completed at least 15 credit hours during the prior three semesters in the district.
 - C. The dean responsible for the request will review the student's academic record and the supporting statements. The dean will present this information to the campus curriculum committee for discussion and review. If the committee recommends that academic forgiveness be granted, the dean may then grant academic forgiveness.
 - D. If academic forgiveness is granted, the dean of instruction will insure that the student's cumulative record clearly indicates what portion of that record of the reasons why academic forgiveness was granted will be maintained in the registrar's office.

Normally, exemptions will apply to all of the credits attempted or completed during the exempted period of enrollment. Exempted credit may include credit attempted at the district as well as credit attempted/completed at other colleges.

* - Schools to which students transfer may or may not accept the G.P.A. calculated after academic forgiveness has been granted. They may recalculate the G.P.A. depending on their policies.

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