



Arlington
INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
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December 16, 2011

Dear Parents:

Greetings from Young Junior High! I am writing to inform you about a change to the state accountability testing requirements that will directly affect your child. Your child is currently enrolled in the 8th grade Honors Algebra I math course here at Young and, as such, will take the STAAR End of Course assessment for Algebra I in the spring. With the new STAAR End of Course assessments, the score a student receives is required to count for 15 percent of the student's final grade in the course. There is no such requirement for STAAR Modified or STAAR Alternate End of Course assessments.

In order to meet this requirement, the End of Course score will count for 15 percent of both the first semester and second semester grades. As a result, final grades for the first semester will not be calculated until after the state reports End of Course assessment scores to the district in late May. Report cards will reflect the preliminary semester grade for courses requiring an End of Course exam. In addition, semester credits will not be awarded until after the End of Course assessment scores are received. Grade point average and class rank will be calculated using the final semester grade per course.

Teachers will work with students throughout the year to ensure that students are prepared for this change. More information about the STAAR and STAAR End of Course assessments is available online at aisd.net. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact my office at 682-867-3400 or via email at rjones1@aisd.net.

Sincerely,

Roger Jones
Principal

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