

Navarro High School Senior Exam Exemption Policy 2009-2010
Attendance Dates: Fall - September 7, 2009 through January 8, 2010
Spring – January 19 through May 28

Students who are exempt from final exams will not be allowed to leave campus. Students who are exempt will need to report to the Event Center where attendance will be taken for each exam period. In order to qualify for exemptions in the fall and spring semesters, the senior must meet the following criteria for each semester. Only seniors are eligible for exam exemptions; all other students must take a final exam.

1. Any UNEXCUSED absence in a class will make a senior ineligible for any exemption, fall or spring, despite the average or being in an AP class.
2. The senior must have an 85 average in the class and no excused absences.
3. The senior must have an 88 average in the class and only 1 excused absence.
4. The senior must have a 92 average in the class and no more than 2 excused absences.
5. The senior must have a 95 average in the class and no more than 3 excused absences.
6. AP students will be held accountable for the above 5 criteria for the fall exam exemption. Students taking an AP test in May will be automatically exempt from the spring exam, except for a student having an unexcused absence in that semester. Remember that attendance is vital to education.

School approved extra curricular and co-curricular absences will not count against students. The college day does not count against students. Medical absences (medical, dental, chiropractic, physical therapist appointments, etc) will be counted as an excused absence for the purpose of determining exam exemption.

At the date assigned as the final day to count absences, classroom teachers will submit a list of those students whom they feel qualify for the exemptions. If necessary, the office will verify the attendance record. Students must have written parent permission to be exempt from their exams even though they will not be leaving campus.

Points to remember: Honors and AP weighted averages are used; no one is allowed to leave an exam early; the student is responsible for getting an exam exemption form from the teacher or from the school website. Students who leave campus without permission will be assigned an exam grade of 0, will have an unexcused absence, and will be subject to disciplinary action. Should senior attendance on any particular day drop below 80%, then seniors absent on that day lose all exam exemptions. This means if you have a senior skip day, you will take all of your exams.

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