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ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

TO: Members of the School Board

FROM: Keith Jacobus, Superintendent

DATE: May 5, 2020

TOPIC/PURPOSE OF REPORT: Grading During COVID-19

RECOMMENDED BOARD ACTION: Discussion

DATE FOR BOARD ACTION: May 7, 2020

REPORT

The unique challenge of moving from a traditional educational system to a distance learning approach has warranted a number of adjustments be made to ensure students are able to succeed and continue their learning. We have also worked to address changes to our teaching and assessment strategies. Final grades have been an area of concern for schools and school districts around the country. Recently the Minnesota Department of Education has provided guidance on grading to ensure students are not negatively affected by the move to distance learning. Administration will review options for final grades at the secondary level with the board and gather their input prior to making a final decision.