



## **End of Year Guide 2223 High Schools**

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Below is a checklist of common procedures associated with closing of a school year for high schools.

**\*Many of the steps below are done twice.**

- Once in early May for Seniors, then again in late May for Underclassmen.

1. \_\_\_ **District Coordinator and or Principal Communicates Grade Deadline for Teachers**

Principal or District Coordinator communicates deadlines for all assignments to be in GradeBook via emails, websites, or other means. Place reminders by the sign in book, teacher's lounge, etc...

2. \_\_\_ **Move Graduating Juniors to Senior Grade Level**

- Usually done in late April or early May when school is pretty sure student will graduate.
- In the student's Student Master screen, enter a leave date and leave code of **"20 15 Exit grade for re-assignment to another grade."**
- While still on the student's Student Master record, click **Action**, then **Reenroll**. Click on the enrollment row with the exit code **"20 15 Exit grade for reassignment..."** (Should be the top row).
- Import the student as normal but update the grade to **"12"**.
- **Be sure to use the same entry date as the exit date.**
- Select the entry code of **"GR C4 Re-entry for re-assignment to another grade"**.
- The student's schedule, grades, attendance, and discipline information will not be affected. Student will now be a 12th grader.

3. \_\_\_ **Enter Final Averages for Virtual or Other "Off Campus" Courses**

For virtual courses, or other types of courses where the student is given a final for a course typically taught away from school (ie, community college, technical college, university), enter the final average of the course.

- Go to *Grades > Entry > Post Grades Master (work with a class of students) OR Post Grades by Student (work with a single student)* in **"Progress Report"** mode.
  - **Post Grades Master:** Set for grade level, then *Progress Report Mode*. On the bottom, locate teacher/class. Enter grades in the F1 or F2 cell, then click the SAVE icon at top.
  - **Post Grades By Student:** Set for *Progress Report Mode*. Find the student, enter grade in the F1 or F2 cell, then click SAVE button.
  - If the course is not in the Master Schedule, manually enter the final in **Transcript Workstation**.
    - Go to *Transcripts > Entry > Transcript Workstation*.

#### 4. \_\_\_ Check for Missing Grades

Check for missing grading period grades or exams by printing a plain paper **Cumulative History label** (kind of like a mini report card) and/or the **Missing Grades Audit**.

- **Cumulative History Label as “mini report cards”:** Go to *Grades > Lists > Cumulative History Label*.

- Set for Grade level.
- Skip Codes: Select P codes.
- Select Label: Avery 5163 and others as shown below.
- A list of students will appear. Select the students, then click the Print button.
- **\*After calculating final averages, come back to this report to review any missing final averages.**
- After grades are checked and finalized, use this report to print labels for the cumulative folders.

The screenshot shows the configuration window for the Cumulative History Label report. The fields are as follows:

- School: 010
- Grade: 12
- Homeroom: [Empty]
- Team: [Empty]
- Special Codes: [Empty]
- Exclude Special Codes: [Empty]
- Programs: [Empty]
- Skip Codes: 59,40,56,55,34,11,03,47,4...
- As Of Date: Current Date
- Include SIS School
- Select Label: Avery 5163
- Grade Type: Alpha
- Select Display Credits: Use Report Card Setti...
- Show SSN on Labels
- Show Active Courses Only
- Display Rank
- Display SBLC Code
- Show Only Carnegie Credit Courses
- Order To List: Alpha Order
- OK button

- **Missing Grades Audit:** Go to *Grades > Entry > Missing Grades Audit*. Set for grade level and select all grading periods and exams (E2 / E4)
  - **\*This report is also good to check for missing final averages. Set Marking Period to F1 o F2.**

#### 5. \_\_\_ Check for Incomplete Grades:

Use this report to check for incomplete assignment grades in the gradebook that need to be updated to remove the marking period “I” grades.

- Go to *Grades > Lists > Incomplete Grades Audit*.
- Check for “I” (incomplete) grades, which are the result of “i” grades given to assignments in the Gradebook.
- When the teacher updates the “i” assignment to a valid grade, then clicks “Save”, the average is updated. This will result in an accurate calculation of the final average.

## 6. \_\_\_ Import LEAP 2025 Scores (Usually done by District Data Office)

Usually done by the District Coordinator. The LEAP 2025 scores are imported for LEAP 2025 classes.

- The scores automatically go to the E2 (or E4 if a spring 4x4 class) area of the teacher's gradebook, student's grades, as well as the student's test results.
- **Missing a test score?** Go to Test Score Editor to manually enter the missing information.
  - Go to *Grades > Entry > Test Score Editor*. Set for grade level, test type, and student.
    - If the student has an existing test result, click on the insert row (top) and enter the test data from left to right. Click the "Save New" button to store the result.
    - If the student does not have an existing result, simply click in the cells, enter the data, then click the ENTER key to confirm the entry. No "Save New" is needed in this situation.
  - When entering a test exemption, be sure to enter all courses the student is exempted from. (ie... if student is exempt from all math, enter an exempt result for Algebra I and Geometry.)

## 7. \_\_\_ Calculate Initial Semester/Final Averages

Run an initial calculation of final averages to review and check.

- Go to *Grades > Lists > Report Cards*. At the bottom of the screen, click the "**Mass Calc Sem/Final Grades**" button.
  - **Initially run for Seniors only.** Underclassmen get processed a little later in a second batch when grades are complete for them.

The screenshot shows a dialog box with the following settings:

- Grades: 12
- Semester To Display Scheduled Students:
  - 4x4 Display:  1st  2nd  3rd  4th  All
  - 2x8 Display:  1st  2nd  Both
- Semester Grade Calculation Requirement:
  - ALL Marking Period Grades Within Semester.
  - Last Marking Period Within Semester.
- OK button

## 8. \_\_\_ Check for Missing Final Averages

This is basically a repeat of step #4, but here we focus on the final averages in F1 or F2.

- Using either the Cumulative History Label, or the Missing Grades Audit from step #4, check that students have a final grade in courses that are needed.
- What do I do if there is a missing final? Either of the following depending on the situation...
  - Work with records or teachers to determine the missing marking period grade.
  - Go to **Post Grades by Student, Report Card Mode**, and manually enter the missing marking period grade and/or the missing Final.
    - You can ask the teacher to enter the final on the grade sheets (upcoming step), then hand enter.

### 9. \_\_\_ Identify Students with High Absences for Possible Denial of Credit

This varies greatly from district to district due to attendance policies. Check with your administrator on posting denial of credits.

- Denial of credit due to absenteeism are marking period grades with an asterisk, such as “78\*”. This will carry the failure to the final grade when semester/final averages are calculated.

### 10. \_\_\_ Teacher Review of Grades and Final Grades Signoff

Print grade sheets for the teacher to review and sign for accuracy. If needed, fixes and corrections are made.

- Go to *Grades > Lists > Grade Sheets*
  - For the first run, set for grade 12. Set for current date, then click **Ok**.

The screenshot shows a web-based form for generating grade sheets. Key fields include:

- School:** 010
- Course Grades:** (empty)
- Student Grade:** 12 (highlighted with a red arrow)
- Periods:** (empty)
- Grade Display:** Both
- As Of Date:** Current Date
- Show Remote
- Course Long Name Options:**
  - Display Long Course Names
  - en English : Language
- Semester To Display Scheduled Students:**
  - 4x4 Display:** 1st, 2nd, 3rd, **4th** (circled in red), All
  - 2x8 Display:** 1st, 2nd, **Both** (circled in red)
- OK** button

- Select classes and “**Print**”.
- Give to teachers asking them to review, indicate any problems, and sign/date.
  - Save this copy for reference in case of problem.
- As a result of the feedback, if needed, update missing grades, resolve any possible issues.

### 11. \_\_\_ Repeat Mass Calculate Semester/Final Averages

- Due to updates to averages based on feedback from Teachers and Grade Sheets, a repeat of calculating semester / final averages is performed as in step #7 and a subsequent check for missing final averages as in step #8.
  - Run on Seniors first in early May, then repeat with Underclassmen later when ready.
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## 12. \_\_\_ Run an Initial Cumulative GPA Ranking Report

Use the report to do a quick check that students have enough credits to graduate, or go to the next grade level, and get an initial look at the rankings.

\*Run for Seniors first, then later when grades are done for underclassmen, run for each grade level.

- Go to *Transcripts > Transcript Workstation / Action / Rank Report*.
- **Ranking Setup Screen:** Set for Seniors with any special code exclusions. Later, run for grades 11, 10, and 9.
  - Click the **“Update GPA”** button.

The screenshot shows the 'Ranking Setup Screen' with the following fields and options:

- School: 010
- Grade: 12
- As Of: Current Date
- Age From: 0 To: 100
- Minimum Units: 23
- GPA Display Type: Alpha Basic
- Special Code Exclusion: COA, CJA, SUR
- Include Early Graduates:
- Exclude Summer Graduates:
- Exclude NR Students:
- Include Replaced Grades:
- View Previous Ranks:
- Filters button
- Update GPA button (highlighted with a red box and arrow)
- OK button
- Set Defaults button

- **GPA Calculate Setup Screen:** Initially set for Seniors. Later, do the same for underclassmen.

The screenshot shows the 'GPA Calculate Setup Screen' with the following fields and options:

- School: 042
- Grade: 12
- As of Date: Current Date
- Use current grades:
- 0.5 credit to 1 credit course if only one semester posted, even if final posted:
- Use semester grades only:
- Use final grades only:
- Include P grade as failures:

- You will be returned to the Ranking Setup Screen. Click the **OK** button.
- Focus initially on the **“Units Earned”** column. Make sure the Senior has enough credits to graduate.

- Review the initial rankings to see if things look appropriate.
- Students who do not have enough credits, or have a special code that is being excluded, will be at the bottom of the report.
- **For Underclassmen, use this report as a list to determine if students have enough Carnegie Units to move to the next grade level by setting the "Minimum Units" to be the amount needed to pass to the next grade.**
  - Sort the report on the **Units Earned** column.

### 13. \_\_\_\_ Use the Carnegie Units Earned Report to screen students for Graduation Requirements and State Reporting

- Go to *Transcripts > Lists > Carnegie Units Earned*.
- Set as below: Grade = 12, "Filter" for active students only. Click "OK" to run.

- When students appear on screen, "freeze" the student's name column. Click the drop-down arrow that appears on the Student Name column, then select "freeze".
- SSN:** If a temporary ssn (starts with a 9), the student will not be able to apply for Financial Aid through TOPS and Federal sources.
  - Pii (Consent):** If a student wishes to share data to Board of Regents, needs to be a Y for consent form signed.
  - Path:** Student diploma path needs to be present.
    - CTU for Tops University
    - CCA for Tops Tech Jump Start
    - CJA for Tops Tech Alternate
    - CNG for Non-Graduate / Non-Diploma

- d. **Tests:** If a student is to graduate, this needs to be either a Y, A, or G.
  - i. If a Senior has a “N” due to missing test score information, go to *Test Score Editor* to enter the missing test information.
- e. **IBC:** Review IBC’s earned for graduation. CCA Tops Tech Students are required to have these to graduate.
  - i. **What if there is one missing?**
    1. **Doc Archive Districts:** Scan the missing IBC, then upload into the student’s blue **IBC** button on the IGP or Transcript Workstation.
    2. **eScholar IBC Districts:** On the blue **IBC** of IGP or Transcript Workstation, add the IBC here to transmit to STS.
- f. **Career Options / Code:** Required for CCA Tops Tech diploma pathway.
- g. **FAFSA:** To graduate, student must have a FAFSA code.

#### 14. Print and Check Senior Transcripts for Graduation Requirements

From **Transcript Workstation**, use the **Print Multiple** button to print Transcripts to be checked for graduation course requirements.

- Go to *Transcripts > Entry > Transcript Workstation > Print Multiple*
  - Filter suggestions: Grade, Special Codes, Career Options, Counselor, Order
- Once printed, check subject areas for graduation compliance. Example: 4 English courses, 4 Math courses, 1.5 PE courses, etc...
- Review credit site codes, especially for Dual Enrollment courses, which should have post-Secondary site codes.

#### 15. Assign SBLC (Retention) Codes

**This is done twice, once for Seniors, then again for underclassmen.**

The best way to determine SBLC codes for underclassmen is to run the Rank report, then sort on credits earned. Students without the necessary credits would be marked retained.

- A blank SBLC code means that the student is being promoted.
- These SBLC codes and text print on the final report card and on cumulative history labels.
- **Fastest way to do this:** Use the **SBLC Code Loader**.
  - Go to *Student Master > Loaders > SBLC Code Loader*.
- To assign a SBLC Code to a single student, go to the student's Student Master screen, click in the SBLC field on the right, select a SBLC Code, then click the **Save** button.
- Commonly used SBLC codes:
  - F Retained - Student Not Promoted
  - T Retained - Failure to Pass Exit Exam (Seniors)
  - D Retained - Insufficient Carnegie Units (Seniors)
  - 5 Retained - Certificate of Achievement Non-exit year
  - 9 Promoted - Transition 9<sup>th</sup> to grade 9
  - 10 Promoted - Transition 9<sup>th</sup> to grade 10
  - 12 Retained – Failed IBC Credential Exam



16. \_\_\_ **Print a List of Retained Students**

Print a listing of Retained Students for the Principal to review and approve.

- Go to *Student Master > Lists > Retained/Promoted List*.

17. \_\_\_ **Repeat Step #12: Cumulative GPA Ranking Report**

Repeat the GPA Ranking and GPA Update to update the cumulative gpa and rank for any students who have been marked as retained and catch any recent changes to transcripts or grades.

18. \_\_\_ **Print Final Report Cards**

Printing the Final Report card is like other times in the year except for setting the Type to "Final".

- Go to *Grades > Lists > Report Card*.
  - Set **Type** to "Final" and grading periods to the last of the year (4 in most cases), as well as other checks shown below.

Options

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Type to Print : **Final Report Card** ▼

HS Grading Period : **4** ▼

- Show School Name
- Show Address Line
- Show Homeroom Teacher
- Show Counselor
- Show Team
- Highlight Course Lines
- Show Active Courses Only
- Show F (non-numeric) on policy failure
- Show Fees

Order Courses by : Class Period Order ▼

Elem Grading Period : **4** ▼

- Show Grading Scale
- Show Comments
- Show Comment Assessment
- Show Advisor
- Show Current Year EOC Scores
- Show All Highest EOC Scores
- Show Class Period
- Use Long Course Name

Default Language : en English ▼

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Non Grades

Display the below items

From : **Start / End Dates** [calendar icon]

Thru : [calendar icon]

Skip Absence Codes : 01,02,03,04,06,07,10,11,1,...

- Absentee Detail
- Absentee Course
- Discipline
- Absentee Summary

Verify with District Coordinator on what to skip

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GPA options

- Display GPA Line
- Display Current Year Cumm GPA

- At the bottom, before printing, be sure to run the "Mass Calc Sem/Final Grades" and the "Calculate Current Year GPA".

19. \_\_\_ **Post Diploma Endorsements (Current understanding is that type "C" or "D" are current)**

In the *IGP* tab of Student Master, the user can enter the Diploma Endorsements of a Senior.

- **Fastest way to do this:** Go to *Student Master > Loaders > Diploma Endorsement Fast Loader*.
- Set for grade 12, then check option for "Append".
- Select students on the left, and the diploma endorsement on the right.

20. **(Optional) Post Exits for Graduating Seniors**

\*Discuss with your district coordinator to see if this is a step taken in your district.

**\*\*Don't do this too early. Do this step on or after the last day of school.**

This will post a leave code of "61 04 Graduation / Early Graduation" on each student selected.

- Go to Student Master / Loaders / Leave Code Fast Loader
- On setup, configure for grade 12, Exclude SBLC Codes – set for all retained codes, and as of date is last day of school.

Don't do this until on or after the last day of school

- \*On the bottom right, set the "Leave Date" to the last day of school. Do not use the graduation date here.

15	12 D Marriage
16	18 D Pregnancy
17	19 D Religion

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Leave Date : Last Day of School

Be sure to set to last day of school. Do not use grad date.

- Locate the column header "Leave Code". Click the "Select All" box. This will place an asterisk for each student's name.
- On the right-side listing of leave codes, select "61 04 Graduation / Early Graduation"
- The leave code columns by each student will be updated with the graduation leave code and date.
- **Made a mistake on a student?** Easiest way to fix is to go to the Student Master record of the student and fix the leave code information.

21. **Post Exits for Certificate of Achievement**

In Student Master, locate the student leaving with a Certificate of Achievement.

- In the **Leave Date** field, select **62 06 E Certificate of Achievement** with the **Leave Date** set to the last day of school.
- Click **Save** to store the leave information.

## 22. \_\_\_ Post Exits for Students Who Passed HighSet / GED, or Foreign Exchange Students returning to home country, or LAA1 Graduates

Posting these kinds of exits prevents dropouts against the school.

- In Student Master, locate the student exiting under one of these conditions.
- Click in the *Leave Date* field.
  - Set the *Leave Date* to the last day of school.
- Post a leave code of one of the following that qualify:
  - L4 10 E Transfer out of state or country (*use for exiting foreign exchange students with exit documentation*)
  - 80 05 E GED Earned Only
  - LG 04 E LAA1 Graduate (send option code 9)
- Click **Save** to store the leave information.

## 23. \_\_\_ Post Exits for Seniors Retained Due to Testing or IBCs, but Have Completed All Carnegie Units

These Seniors do not need to be rolled over to next year, therefore we will exit them.

- Find the student in Student Master.
- Check to make sure the student has a SBLC code of either:
  - **T Retained – Failed to Pass Exit Exam (Seniors).**
  - **12 Retained – Failed IBC Credential Exam**
- Click in the Leave Date cell:
- Post a Leave Date of the last day of school.
- Select a Leave Code of **22 17 E Finished all but GEE/EOC Completed Carnegie Rqmts not GEE/EOC.**
  - Don't worry about using the same exit code for Tests or IBC, the job is to exit the student and keep from rolling over to next year.
- Click **Save** to store the leave information.
- When you find out that these students have passed the LEAP 2025 or IBC Credential, consult with your district coordinator for proper way exit the student with a **61 04 E Graduation/Early Graduation** leave code.

## 24. \_\_\_ Dropping Students - End of Year

Check with your District Coordinator on posting exits for students that are leaving the district. These procedures can vary by district and exit reason.

- Summer Graduates are typically dropped at the end of the current school year.
- In some districts, underclassmen drop and gains are done on the first day of the next school year.

## 25. \_\_\_ Grading Period Lock (**Might be done by district administrator**)

Grading Periods in GradeBook are locked to preserve the integrity of the assignment records.

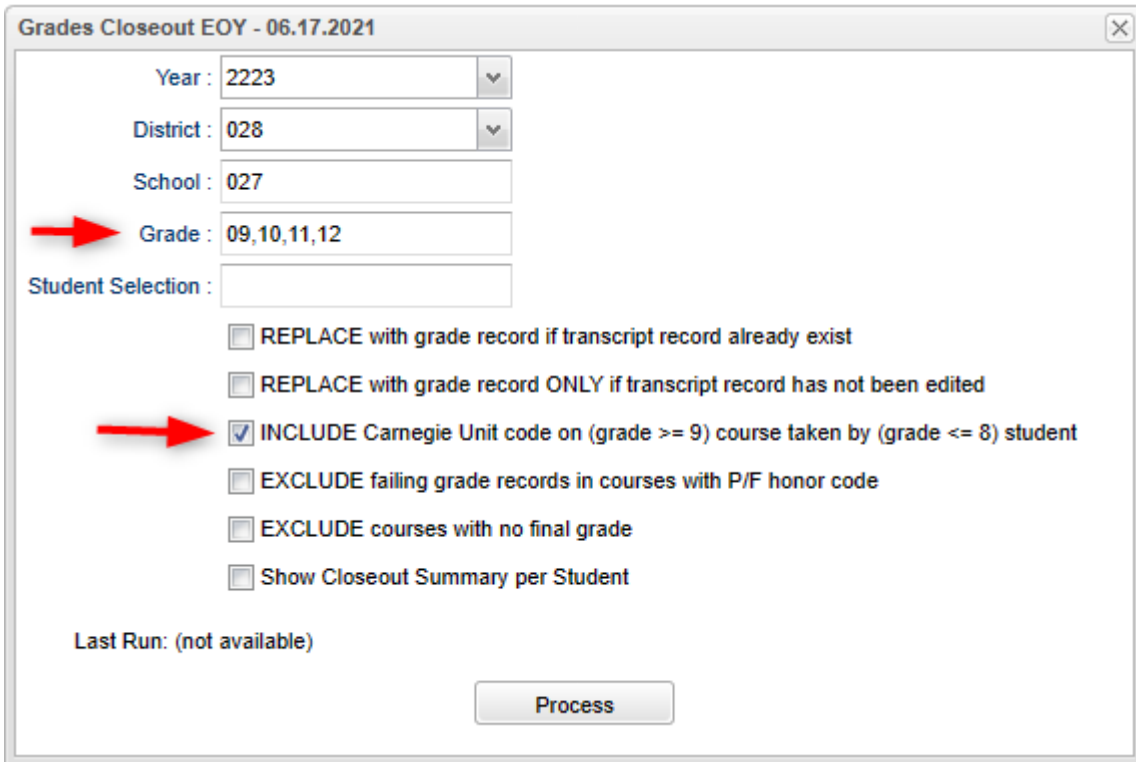
This is typically done when **all grades for all students** are calculated, checked, and sent home.

- Don't do a lock after Seniors depart. There are classes with a mix of different grade levels, and you do not want to lock these gradebooks yet.
- Check with your district coordinator on who does this step in your district.
- Go to *Grades > Loaders > Grading Period Lock*

26. \_\_\_ **Grades Closeout EOY (Might be done by district administrator)**

This program is performed when all the grades for the current year have been verified and are finalized. The program copies the "current year" grades to the "transcript" data files.

- In many large districts, the district coordinator performs this step.
- Notify your district coordinator that the current year grades are complete.



- After the **EOY Grades Closeout** has been run, turn off the option "Show Current Year Grades" on the **Transcript Workstation**.
  - If you see "double" transcript records on **Transcript Workstation**, this is a symptom of not turning off the "Show Current Year Grades" option.

