AB 104 Notice
In July, Governor Newsom signed Assembly Bill 104 into law, and we’d like to provide you with important information on how this legislation may relate to your student. The bill contained three major provisions: retention, grading, and graduation policies.

GRADE LEVEL RETENTION (ALL STUDENTS)
In preparation for the 2021-22 school year, students enrolled in grades kinder-11th in 2020-21 will be eligible for a retention consultation if they received deficient grades for at least one-half of their coursework in 2020-21 and their parents are interested in holding them back a grade level. Deficient grades include grades of D, F, or No Pass. Students who were in 12th grade in 2020-21 are not eligible.

Parents/guardians of eligible students must request the retention consultation through the school principal. Lighthouse then has 30 calendar days to hold the consultation and 10 calendar days after that meeting to issue a final decision.

Steps on how to request a retention consultation
1. Email Principal Jeanine Evains-Robinson (6-12) or Assistant Principal Kelly Norris. Their emails are kelly.norris@lighthousecharter.org and jeanine.evains-robinson@lighthousecharter.org.
2. You will be contacted and a consultation meeting will be held within 30 calendar days after submitting your request

LETTER GRADE CHANGE (HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS ONLY)
AB 104 permits parents of students who were in high school in 2020-21 (or the student, if they have turned 18) to request letter grades for last year be changed to Pass/No Pass on transcripts. The new law requires the California State University (CSU), and encourages UC and private postsecondary institutions, to accept those grade designations without prejudice.

Please be aware that this is a permanent change to the transcript. This change cannot be reversed. This permanent change may affect the eligibility for financial aid and admission to institutions NOT on this list. https://www.cde.ca.gov/ci/gs/ps/ab104surveyresults.asp
If you are interested in obtaining a grade change, please contact our Director of College and Career Success, Mr. Joshua Weintraub at joshua.weintraub@lighthousecharter.org. The deadline for this is Sept 15, 2021.

GRADUATION POLICIES (HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS ONLY)
AB 104 exempts members of the class of 2022 from high school graduation requirements beyond statewide requirements if they are not on track to graduate in four years and requires school districts to provide opportunities for seniors to meet statewide graduation requirements through, among other avenues, a fifth year of high school.

If you are interested in learning more about this, please contact our Director of College and Career Success, Mr. Joshua Weintraub at joshua.weintraub@lighthousecharter.org.

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