**Title 5 Section 55046**
In accordance with BP4240, the purpose of this procedure is to disregard past
substandard academic performance of students when such work is not reflective of their
current demonstrated ability. It is based on the recognition that due to unusual
circumstances, or circumstances beyond the students’ control, the past substandard work
will negatively affect their academic standing and unnecessarily prolong the rate at which
they complete their current objectives.

If specific conditions are met, Coast Community College District colleges may disregard
from all consideration associated with the computation of a student's cumulative GPA up
to a maximum of thirty (30) semester units of courses taken at any college for graduation or grade point average (GPA) purposes only. These conditions are as follows:

1. The coursework to be disregarded is substandard.
2. A minimum of 12 semester units has been completed at any regionally accredited college or university with a cumulative GPA of at least 2.0 in all coursework subsequent to coursework to be disregarded.
3. At least 12 months have elapsed since the most recent coursework to be disregarded.
4. Designated coursework shall be disregarded in that semester, except those courses required as a prerequisite or to satisfy a requirement in the student’s current declared program of study.
5. Academic Renewal cannot be reversed once it has been granted. Credit for courses from other colleges or universities can be disregarded in order to meet the grade point average requirements for an Associate’s degree or Certificate of Achievement.

All course work will remain legible on the student's permanent record (transcript)
ensuring a true and complete academic history. However, students' permanent
records will be annotated so that it is readily evident to all users of the records that the
units are to be disregarded. This notation will be made at the time
that the academic renewal has been approved by the appropriate college office.
If another accredited college has acted to remove previous course work from
consideration in computing the GPA, such action shall be honored in terms of its policy.
However, such units disregarded shall be deducted from the 30 semester units
maximum of course work eligible to be disregarded at a Coast Community College
District college.

Interpretation of the academic renewal procedure is the responsibility of the appropriate
college official who may, for compelling reasons, make exceptions to the stated
conditions provided the requirements of Title 5 Section 55044 are observed. All
receiving schools may not accept our Academic Renewal Policy and Procedure.
The Admissions and Records and Counseling departments at the colleges in the Coast
Community College District are responsible for implementing this administrative
procedure.