



# PODAR INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL, DAVANAGERE

## PARENTAL CIRCULAR: GRADE X BOARD PROCEDURES & GUIDELINES

**TO:** Parents of Grade X Students (Batch 2025-26)

**FROM:** Office of the Principal, PIS Davanagere

**DATE:** 16<sup>th</sup> April 2026

**SUBJECT: Important Updates on Result Computation, Grading System, and Improvement Exams**

Dear Parents,

Greetings from Podar International School, Davanagere.

In accordance with the latest **CBSE Circulars (Skill-01/2023 and CBSE/Coord/PS/2023)**, we wish to provide clarity on how the Board assesses performance and the specific procedures for the Board Examination.

### 1. Percentage Calculation & The "Best of Five" Rule

As per the CBSE notification dated 30.11.2023, it is formally stated that the **Board does not calculate, declare, or inform the percentage of marks**. No overall division or distinction is awarded on the marksheet.

However, for the purpose of higher education admissions, CBSE suggests a specific criteria for calculation:

- **The Decision-Maker:** If a candidate has offered more than 5 subjects, the decision to determine the "Best 5" subjects lies with the **admitting institution or employer**.
- **The Skill Subject Advantage:** Per the Scheme of Studies, if a student chooses a **Skill Subject – 402 – Information Technology** (6<sup>th</sup> optional subject), the aggregate can be calculated using the **Best Five** subjects, which must include:

1. **Two Languages** (Compulsory)
2. **The Best Three Subjects** (Chosen from Mathematics, Science, Social Science, and the Skill Subject – Information Technology 402).

**Note:** If a student fails in any one of the three compulsory electives (Math, Science, or Social Science) but passes the Skill Subject, the **Skill Subject will automatically replace the failed elective** for the final result computation.

## 2. Understanding the Positional Grading System

CBSE follows a **9-Point Positional Grading System** for Class X. Unlike absolute marks, these grades indicate where a student stands in comparison to the national passing cohort.

### How Grades are Awarded (The Octile Method):

The Board puts all passed students in a rank order and awards grades based on the following distribution:

Grade	Rank/Octile Position
<b>A-1</b>	Top 1/8th of the passed candidates
<b>A-2</b>	Next 1/8th of the passed candidates
<b>B-1</b>	Next 1/8th of the passed candidates
<b>B-2</b>	Next 1/8th of the passed candidates
<b>C-1</b>	Next 1/8th of the passed candidates
<b>C-2</b>	Next 1/8th of the passed candidates
<b>D-1</b>	Next 1/8th of the passed candidates
<b>D-2</b>	Next 1/8th of the passed candidates
<b>E*</b>	Essential Repeat

## 3. Second Board Exam (Improvement) & Payment Deadline

Parents of students who wish to appear for the **Second Board Examination** to improve their scores are requested to complete the registration and fee payment on the **Loop Portal**.

**The deadline for fee payment is tomorrow, 17<sup>th</sup> April 2026.**

### Fee Structure:

- **Second Board Exam Fee (1 Subject):** Rs. 320
- **Second Board Exam Fee (2 Subjects):** Rs. 640
- **Second Board Exam Fee (3 Subjects):** Rs. 960

We encourage parents to utilize the Loop Portal promptly to ensure your ward's eligibility for the improvement session.

**Warm regards,  
Team of Podar International School, Davanagere**