

GRADING SYSTEM

The Board requires a grading system for use in the elementary and secondary grades that accurately reflects student achievement relative to the district's curriculum.

The progress of each pupil shall be measured periodically and reports of such progress shall be communicated to the parents or guardian at regular intervals. The report shall reflect the quality of a pupil's performance, relative to the grade level or course standards. Credits earned and course grade shall be based on the student's demonstration of achievement.

Parents will be apprised of the student's progress in the following ways:

- At the elementary level, report cards are provided at the end of each nine week marking period but parents will be notified at the mid-marking period when a student is not making progress.
- At the secondary level, progress reports are provided every six weeks and report cards at the end of each semester. Additionally, the progress of students at the middle school and high school levels will be communicated through the district's online student progress reporting system and other means as determined by the teacher.
- Parents who have concerns about their student's progress are encouraged to contact the teacher directly.

Grades at the middle school are calculated using a twelve (12.0) point scale. Grades at the high school are calculated using a four (4.0) point scale.

Beginning with the graduating class of 2017, Advanced Placement (AP) and recognized International Baccalaureate (IB) coursework will be weighted in a student's grade point average using a five (5.0) scale.

While students may check or critique each other's work, they may not evaluate or grade the work. Only teachers may assign grades, in accordance with the elementary and/or secondary guidelines and policies. All grades shall remain confidential.

While teachers are encouraged to display student work, the student's name may be displayed but the formal grade (letter grade, percentages or any other numeric system) may not be visible.

Information regarding the District's grading system shall be published in the appropriate faculty and student handbooks.

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