Eliminating Behaviors from Academic Grades

Grading Practices For Families: Accurately Reporting Student Achievement

To better serve your children, we are improving how we report student progress. To ensure accuracy, we are only including student academic achievement in grades. This will help us more accurately report your student's achievement.

What will you notice?

Student grades will be based solely on their academic performance and will no longer be affected by student behaviors (e.g., turns assignments in on time, or by the amount of effort the student shows). Performance in these areas are reported separately through Citizenship and Successful Learner Behaviors.



It is very important students learn responsibility, the value of hard work, and other critical life skills! We continue to hold high expectations for every student and will address behaviors separately from the academic grade, ensuring grades are accurately reporting mastery of grade-level expectations.

Why did we make this shift?

Our goal is to ensure your child gets credit for their academic performance. When assignment scores are reduced due to a behavior, such as submitting assignments late, it is difficult to determine if your student needs help being responsible or needed help learning the academic content. Grades are more meaningful when they are accurate.



What can you expect?

Academic grades will report your student's progress on academic content while Successful Learner Behavior grades or Citizenship grades will report your student's behaviors. With accurate academic grades, you are better able to support your student with any gaps in knowledge. If your child needs to improve their learner behaviors, such as responsibility or work ethic, your child's teacher will clearly communicate this need to you in a manner that does not impact the academic grade.

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