

Instruction

Elementary and Middle School Grading System

GRADE REPORTING

The report to the parents for the students in Grades K-8 is made at the end of each nine-week period. A mid-term progress report will be *distributed* to every student. It will reflect a grade in every subject. A mid-term notice is to be mailed to the parents of any student receiving a D or F.

GRADE SYSTEMS

The letters to be used in grading in grades (K-8) are:

A –90-100	Superior	E – Exceeds Standards
B –80-89	Above Average	M – Meets Standards
C –70-79	Average	P - Progressing
D –60-69	Low Average	NI – Needs Improvement
F –Below 60	Failing	

DEFINITIONS

Promote – as used in this section – “promote” means to advance to the next higher grade level (1-9) upon the successful completion of minimum academic requirements.

Retain – as used in this section – “retain” means to keep at the present grade level.

Core Classes – as used in this section – “core classes” are defined as: Math, Language Arts (Literature, Grammar, Writing, Reading), Science, Social Studies.

Non-Core Classes – as used in this section – “non-core classes” are defined as: Computers, Art, Health, Careers, Music, Physical Education, Library, Study Skills if offered

Elective Classes – as used in this section – “elective classes” are defined as: Band and Chorus.

CRITERIA FOR PROMOTION

A student in grades two, three, four or five inclusive, shall be promoted to the next higher grade level at the end of the then current year except:

- a. When such student receives a final grade of “F” in reading or
- b. When such student receives final grades of “F” in any two (2) subjects other than reading.

A student in grades six, seven or eight, inclusive, shall be promoted to the next higher grade level at the end of the then current school year except:

- a. When such student receives final grades of “F” in any two subjects, with the exception of Study Hall, Band, and Chorus.

12 – POINT GRADING SYSTEM

A+	12	C	5
A	11	C-	4
A-	10	D+	3
B+	9	D	2
B	8	D-	1
B-	7	F	0
C+	6		

CRITERIA FOR PROMOTION

Based on the 12-point scale, students will be required to achieve a .67 grade point in order to pass the class for the year. This will be based on an average of the final grade for each nine weeks in a particular class. [For example, a student with 2 F's (zero points each) for two nine weeks and two D- grades (1 point each) for two nine weeks would not have a .67 grade point.] It would be a .50 and would not be a passing grade for that class for the year.

All classes will be given credit. All classes, except study hall and elective classes (Band and Chorus), will be taken into account when determining promotion or retention. For the non-core classes, except Physical Education, students must pass two of the three twelve-week classes in order to pass for the year.

HONOR ROLL REQUIREMENTS FOR GRADES 6-8

A 12-point grading scale will be used. This system will be used to determine honor roll points as well as passing grades for promotion to the next level grade placement.

HONORS – an average of 8.00 – 9.99

HIGH HONORS – an average of 10.00 or above

RETENTION

In the event any student fails to meet the minimum academic standard for promotion as set forth hereinabove and the Principal determines that such student shall not be promoted as provided for herein, the student will be retained at his or her present grade level.

Prior to the end of the school term, the building principal shall request that the parents or guardians of any student to be recommended for retention meet with the individual teacher

and building principal to discuss their child's deficiencies and behavior. Such request shall be in writing and shall state the time, place, and purpose of the meeting. At such meeting, the parents or guardians may appear and discuss the proposed retention with the teacher and the building principal.

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