

MIDDLE SCHOOL GRADING POLICY (Grades 6-8)

- Report Card Weighted Average is an average of MAJOR SUBJECTS (English, Math, Science, and Social Studies **at full weight**) and MINOR SUBJECTS (PE, Art, Music, Languages(7th and 8th grades) and Enrichments **at half weight**).
- 75% of the MARKING PERIOD AVERAGE = MAJOR ASSIGNMENTS
- 25% of the MARKING PERIOD AVERAGE = MINOR ASSIGNMENTS

Major Assignments include formal, full period assessments/tests and projects.

Minor Assignments are graded assessments, assignments, and performance tasks done in class and/or at home.

Examples include, but are not limited to: vocabulary quizzes, skills quizzes, quizzes on a homework reading, Science lab sheets, oral presentations, notebook/note checks, reading log checks, collected and graded group assignments, math skill checks, collected “free writes,” document based questions, take home quizzes, graded homework assignments, and class participation grades. **Middle School report cards are handed out 4 times a year: November, January, April and June.**

Class Performance and Participation

- Completion of classwork and participation in class activities are expected.
- Credit for classwork and participation are recorded and reflected as both **Major Assignments** and **Minor Assignments**.

Homework

- Students are expected to complete all major and minor assignments on time.
- Students are expected to record all assignments as written or dictated by their teacher in class.
- Credit for work that is required to be completed at home is recorded and reflected as both **Major Assignments** and **Minor Assignments**.
- Important components of homework are **studying** and **preparation**. Students are expected to review their notes and complete all reading assignments in preparation for upcoming tests, quizzes, projects and other connected assignments.

Late Assignments

- Students **will not** be permitted to make up assignments at the end of a marking period to raise their grade. Allowing students to do this fails to teach the valuable lesson of **responsibility**, and lacks to reinforce the skills learned in class in a timely manner.
- **Minor Assignments** must be submitted on time. A **Minor Assignment** that is due on Monday is considered late on Tuesday, and will not receive full credit.
- **Major Assignments** turned in late will not receive full credit.
- Students with excused absences will receive full credit for assignments made up in a timely manner.

Extra Credit Assignments

- Teachers may allow students to complete **extra-credit assignments** throughout the marking period.

Ongoing Feedback

Teachers in grades 6-8 utilize Skedula, an online gradebook. Parents have access to Skedula and may access it at any time to view their child's scores on various assignments. Login information will be sent home in September 2021. Please contact your child's homeroom teacher if you have login issues.