

MOBILE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM

Office of Academic Affairs

Curriculum and Instruction

MCPSS 6-12 Grading Guidelines

According to Board policy, each teacher must have at least one major grade entered during each week of school. At the end of nine weeks, a student should have earned at least nine major grades.

(Kindergarten grading will begin the second week of the first quarter)

60% Major Grades

The following is a list of sample assessments that could account for the 60% major grade. The major grades should be of equal value (ie. 100 point test, 100 point project, etc.)

Aligned to the Course of Study

Teachers must use an acceptable grading rubric. No “all or nothing” is acceptable.

30% Minor Grades

The following is a list of sample assessments that could account for the other 40% of a student’s final grade (Minimum of 1-3 per week). *Aligned to the Course of Study*

Examples

Observations

Interviews/Conferences

Journals/Inventories/Logs

Labs – Worksheets/Answer Questions

Performance Tasks

Additional Grading Information

- 1. Reteach/Retest is required. The retest score cannot exceed 70. Scores should be listed in the Comment column in the teacher grade book. Reteach/Retest should occur within 10 days of the original test.**

10/23/2014	Quiz	Function Oper. 7 Composition	69.70%	45.00/100.00	Assignment was retaught and reassessed. Original score was 25 new score is 45
11/04/2014	Test	Chapter 3 Test	68.14%	63.00/100.00	Original test grade was 35 Retake original score was 90 X .70 =63

- 2. Teachers should enter a one (1) as a grade for any missed assignments that need to be made up by students. An asterisk placed in front of the grade means the grade is exempt and will not count for or against the student.**

Activity						
Date	Category	Activity	Class Avg	Score	Comment	
10/22/2014	Classwork	Variable on both sides	60.24%	/100.00		
11/18/2014	Quiz	Section 4.1-4.2 Quiz	69.86%	0.00/100.00	Absent for this assignment; excuse has been provided; assignment can be made up	
10/24/2014	Classwork/Quizzes	C. Chromosome WS.	78.12%	1.00/100.00	Absent - MUST make up assignment	

- 3. Each category should have multiple graded activities.**

Category Averages				
Category	Weight	Points Earned	Points Possible	Average
Daily Classwork	25.00%			100.00%
Tests	60.00%			
Written Work	15.00%			

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Category	Weight	Points Earned	Points Possible	Average
Notebook	20.00%			
Project/EQT	20.00%			37.50%
Weekly Test	60.00%			70.00%

- 4. Category averages must equal 100% with a sixty/forty split.**

Category Averages				
Category	Weight	Points Earned	Points Possible	Average
Classwork	30.00%			72.00%
Homework	10.00%			94.00%
Homework/Participatio	10.00%			68.00%
Test/Project/Lab	60.00%			64.00%

- 5. When class average is 70 and below, reteaching and retesting must occur for the whole class. If a student makes a 90 on the original test, the teacher can assign him/her an enrichment activity or the student can opt to retake the test. When the whole class is retested, students receive the higher of the two grades.**

10/23/2014	Test, Projects,	Test 8	56.86%	90.00/100.00
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- 6. Bell ringers like homework should be used to drive instruction and must be recorded under the homework category (10%) if bell ringers are part of students' grades.**