

FINAL GRADE COMPUTATION, COURSE COMPLETION AND CREDIT

Final Grade Computation – Grades 7-12

Beginning with the 2017-18 School Year:

The Regents/FLACS examination will be weighted **19%** of the course grade. Courses that culminate in a Regents or FLACS examination will have a midterm weighted **5%** of the course grade. Each quarter grade will be weighted **19%** of the course grade.

Courses that do not culminate in a Regents or FLACS exam will culminate in a final exam. The final exam will be weighted **19%** of the course grade and each quarter grade will be weighted **20.25%** of the course grade.

Semester course final exams will be weighted **19%** of the course grade and each quarter grade will be weighted **40.5%** of the course grade.

Safe Harmless Policy for All Regents Exams

Bellmore-Merrick will calculate New York State Regents exam grades into the GPA if, and only if, the Regents exam grade has a positive effect on the student's final grade.

If a Regents exam score has a negative effect on the student's final grade, it will be discounted from the course grade and the quarter grades will count as 23.75% each, with the midterm exam accounting for the other 5%.

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Revised 2 nd Reading:	01/09/02
Revised 1 st Reading:	02/06/02
Revised 2 nd Reading:	03/06/02
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Revised 2 nd Reading:	05/05/04

Exception:

- If taken prior to course completion, the January English Regents examination will be weighted as **19%** of the final course grade. No midterm examination will be administered. Under these circumstances, students will have the opportunity to retake the English Regents examination in June with the option of using the higher examination grade in the calculation of their final course grade.

Course Completion for Credit – Grades 9-12

A passing final course grade will be the sole determinant for the granting of credit for a course.

In grades 7 and 8, this will not apply. District promotion policies in these grades will be maintained.

CURRENT GRADE DISTRIBUTION

• 1 st Quarter	21%
• 2 nd Quarter	21%
• Midterm	4%
• 3 rd Quarter	21%
• 4 th Quarter	21%
• Regents	12%

NEW GRADE DISTRIBUTION

• 1 st Quarter	19%
• 2 nd Quarter	19%
• Midterm	5%
• 3 rd Quarter	19%
• 4 th Quarter	19%
• Regents	19%

SAFE HARMLESS

23.75%
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