

East Greenwich Township School District
District Grading Policy
2022-2023

What makes up a trimester grade?

A **trimester** grade is composed of a graded work recorded in Realtime™ from the following three categories: Primary Assessments, Secondary Assessments, Supportive Assessments.

How are grades assigned in Grades 1-6?

Grade	Numerical Band
A	92-100
B	83-91
C	74-82
D	65-73
F	0-64

How much weight is assigned to each grading category in Grades 1-6?

English Language Arts, Mathematics, Science, Social Studies

	Grades 5, 6	Grades 1, 2, 3, 4
Primary Assessments	50%	45%
Secondary Assessments	35%	35%
Supportive Assessments	15%	20%
Total Assessments	100%	100%

In grades 1-6, how many grades are required for each grading category and what types of assignments are found in each category?

Category	Rationale and Sample	Minimum Requirements
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Summative/ Primary Assessments	Purpose: Summative assessments evaluate mastery/comprehension of a period of instruction. Examples Grades B-6: Tests, writing assignments, performance-based assessments, major projects (school-based), extensive labs	Grades B-4 English Language Arts - minimum of 4 Math minimum of 4 Science minimum of 2 Social Studies minimum of 2
		Grades 5-6 English Language Arts minimum of 4 Math minimum of 4 Science minimum of 4 Social Studies minimum of 4
Formative/ Secondary Assessments	Purpose: Secondary assessments provide formative or ongoing assessment to guide instruction. Examples Grades B-6: Quizzes, graded practice, STEAM lesson rubric, smaller labs, minor written responses, journal entries, outlines, smaller home-based projects	Grades B-4 English Language Arts minimum of 4 Math minimum of 4 Science minimum of 3 Social Studies minimum of 3
		Grades 5-6 English Language Arts minimum of 4 Math minimum of 4 Science minimum of 4 Social Studies minimum of 4
Practice/ Supportive Assessments	Purpose: Supportive assessments reinforce instruction with practice opportunities. Examples Grades B-6: Homework, guided practice, outlines, center work, binder checks/notebook checks	Grades B-4 English Language Arts minimum of 6 Math minimum of 6 Science minimum of 4 Social Studies minimum of 4
		Grades 5-6 English Language Arts minimum of 10 Math minimum of 10 Science minimum of 6 Social Studies minimum of 6

What are the procedures for primary assessments?

- Primary assessments will be spread throughout the trimester.
- At least one primary assessment will be given seven days prior to mid-trimester.
- One week notification will be given to parents & students for primary assessments.
- Primary assessments will be similar or the same by grade/subject.

- Study guides will be provided to students one week prior to a primary assessment in Math, Social Studies and Science. Parents should ask to see this study guide should they desire to help their child study for the assessment.

A primary assessment grade will only be assigned after an item analysis is conducted. Should a question be incorrectly answered by more than 50% or more of the students, that item will count towards the assigned grade, but will be re-taught and be a tested item again on the next assessment. Students will be notified of such items when the corrected test is given back.

All projects and writing assessments will be graded with a rubric. Students and parents will have access to the rubric.

Students' writing pieces will be sent home for your review. Please sign and return the writing piece to school. All writing pieces will be kept in school until the end of the year, when your child will select 4 pieces for his or her portfolio. All other pieces will be sent home at the end of the year.

The lowest possible grade reported is a "50" unless a child is found to be cheating or no attempt is made to complete assignments/assessments.

- If a grade is calculated below a 50, (although not recorded in gradebook,) the teacher will contact the parent. If a child is caught cheating or no attempt is made to complete an assignment or assessment, the parent will also be contacted.

At the end of each trimester, Honor Roll is calculated in grades 3-6. English Language Arts, Math, Science and Social Studies averages are used in Honor Roll calculations; special area grades are not included in the calculation. Students may earn Superintendent's List (A averages) or Principal's List (A and B averages).

How are grades assigned in Beginners and Special Areas?

In Beginners and Special Areas (Art, Library, Music, Physical Education, World Language), a standards-based report card is used.

Grade	Meaning	Numerical Band
M	Masters the Standard	92-100
W	Working Towards Standard	74-91
N	Not Meeting Standard	0-73

In Beginners, how are students' grades determined for English Language Arts, Math, Science and Social Studies?

Our Beginner students receive a standards-based report card. Each subject area, English Language Arts, Math, Science and Social Studies, will contain a list of skills and standards, and students will receive a grade to reflect his or her progress on each skill.

In Special Areas, how are students' grades determined?

Students receive trimester grades only. Comments, as needed, are provided for mid-trimester progress reports. Students' trimester grades are based on a trimester rubric which incorporates skills and effort. Portfolios consisting of a compilation of work for each student serve as the baseline for the assignment of the grade.