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If you have lost your password you can visit <u>http://webtools.citynet.net/recovery</u> and you will be prompted to enter your email address. Once the form is submitted your account information will be emailed to you. If your email address is not found in the system please contact your LiveGrades School Administrator.

In the internet browser of your choice enter http://webtools.citynet.net into the address bar to access the Citynet Webtools Portal. This is where you will access your LiveGrades account.

You will be asked to enter your username and password. If you do not have a username and password, please contact your LiveGrades School Administrator and they will be able to either provide you with this information or get you an account created.

The first time you log into the system you will be prompted to change the default password you were given. You will be able to choose a password you will be able to remember. Make sure to follow the instructions at the bottom of this screen to create a valid password.

If LiveGrades is the only tool available to you then Webtools will automatically take you into the LiveGrades system. If you have other tools along with LiveGrades, you will be prompted with a list of tools available to you. Select **LiveGrades Admin** to continue onto LiveGrades.



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Note: Parents and students will use <u>http://www.livegrades.com</u> to login into their LiveGrades accounts. This system is referred to the LiveGrades PSL (Parent-Student Login) throughout the LiveGrades system.

Setting Up Classes

If your district and school are set up to import class information into LiveGrades, then LiveGrades will automatically import the information given to it, and set some default values for you. Some of these default values may need to be updated for your teaching methods.

Class Information	
Subject:	History
Course Code:	None Given
Section Code:	None Given
Term Schedule:	Nine Weeks
Period:	Period 2
Grading Scale:	ABCDF
Teacher:	Tester, Susan
Update Class Grid View Grade Adjust. WVEIS	

Logon to LiveGrades and select the class you wish to set up.

This will present you with the class update form.

On the left hand side of the page you should see Class Information listed. Click the **"Update Class"** tab to begin updating this class.





Class Name:	History
Course Code:	None Given
Section Code:	None Given
Class Nickname:	History
	Private – Only you see this name.

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Grading Scale:	ABCDF	>
Scoring Method:	Choose kv 10 Point Scale	
Given Grade Only:	ABCDF	
School:	PF	
School Term:	SNIU	

Scoring Method:

Given Grade Only:

School:

School Term:

Class Name, Course Code, and Section Code are all filled by the import process and cannot be changed. Class Nickname can be changed to something you know it by. (This will only be seen by you)

The Grading Scale can be updated to any grading scale you have access to. See *Custom Grading Scales Quick-Start* for more information.

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 Choose...
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 Percent
 calculated. See

 Points
 Calculated Que

 Non-Numerical
 information.

Select the scoring method. This determines how assignments are calculated. See *How Grades Are Calculated Quick-Start* for more information.



Given Grade Only: 📃 🙆

Note: Scoring methods can be turned on and off by district administrators, so you may or may not have access to all methods shown here.

Note: Changing the scoring method or grading scale after assignments have been created and graded may require you to re-grade the assignments depending on what changes need to occur. The system will ask you to update the assignments if necessary.

The given grade only option will only display given grades and letter grades to parents and

School:	Northbend Elementary		
School Term:	Full Year		
Reporting Interval:	Nine Weeks	*	1
School Period:	Choose		
T = = = I = = (=) =	Nine Weeks		Ť
Teacher(s):	Six Weeks		

students and not display points or percentages.

School and School Term are filled by the grading import process. You can update the reporting interval to whatever your class's schedule is.

School Period:	Period 2	~
Teacher(s):	Choose HomeRoom Period 1	
	Period 2 Period 3 Period 4	1
	Period 4 Period 5 Period 6	
Update Ca	Period 7 ncPeriod 8	<u> </u>

Select the school period in which your class is. The school periods are created and managed by School Administrators in LiveGrades.

You will be listed as a teacher. If there are other teachers that help with this class you can checkmark their name and they will then also have access to this class.





Description:
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BIU Ar Ar
Public – Parents, students, and administrators will be able to see
this value.

You can set an optional description of the class. This will be displayed to students and parents when they log into their accounts. You have a few customization features for the text of the description, such as bold, italics, underline and colors.

Objective Sets:	None	
	Add Objective Set	

If you use objectives when grading assignments, you can add objective sets you want to use here.



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Objective Set Search		
Set Nam	e:	
Grade Le	evel: Third Grade 🛛 💌	
Subject:	Social Studies 💌	
Search	1	
Search Results (5)		
ADD SS.	S.3.1 Citizenship	
ADD SS.	S.3.2 Civics/Government	
ADD SS.	S.3.3 Economics	
ADD SS.	S.3.4 Geography	
ADD SS.	S.3.5 History	

When you click the "Add Objective Set" link a new window will pop up and allow you to search all available objective sets. Click the add button for each set you wish to use with the class.

Once added they will show up on the update class page. If you wish to remove an objective set you can click the "DEL" button beside the objective set to remove it.

See *Creating Objective Sets Quick-Start* for more information on creating objective sets.

Note: Access to objective sets can be turned on and off by district administrators. So you may not have access to this section depending on settings.

Title Text Color:	
	Click on the box to select the color.
Title Background:	
	Click on the box to select the color.

You can update the class header colors by changing the associated color values. Each page in LiveGrades that is associated to this class will have these header values, so that you can easily

distinguish what class you are viewing. This is optional.

Once you are done updating the information for this class, check the fields and make sure there are no red Xs visible. You should only see green checkmarks if everything is valid. Once you are done click the Update button. This will save your class information.

Once you have completed this class, you can move on to your other classes.





Hide Classes

LiveGrades has a feature that will allow users to view only the classes that are currently being used. This will make long class lists much more manageable.

On the main homepage of LiveGrades, you will see all of your classes that are available to you.

Home		
Show hints.		
Class	Period	
English	Period 1	
English6	Period 1	
	Period 2	
Math 6	Fellou Z	

Click the **Show/Hide** tab to manage your hidden courses.

The Show/Hide screen will allow you to select the classes that you do **NOT** want to see on your Home page, or under the Home tab in LiveGrades.

Class	Period	Course Code	Hidden
English	Period 1	None	
English6	Period 1	None	
Math 6	Period 2	None	
Science6	Period 3	None	
			Select All None

This option does not remove these classes from your account; its function is to hide the classes that you are not currently working with, making the list easier to manage. This change can be reversed to show classes using the same procedure. Click on the **Update** button to save any changes.



Creating Objective Sets

If the Objective Module is turned on in your district then you will be able to create and use objective sets and objectives with assignments. This module is controlled by district administrators, so you may or may not have the ability to use these features. District Administrators and School Administrators can also create Objective Sets; if they do then you will have the ability to access the sets they create.

Citynet – Full Year							
Home	Semester System Help Logout						
Home Semester System Help Logout							

Logon to LiveGrades and at the top of the page find the **"System"** Tab.

Citynet – Full Year					
Home Semester	System Help Logout				
	Message Center				
	My Account				
	Disciplin	e Repo			

Scrolling over the **"System"** Tab will give a dropdown menu. Click the **"My Account"** link.

The My Account page details different options and settings for your LiveGrades account.

Objective Sets		
Science CSO	44 Objective(s)	
MATH CSO	32 Objective(s)	
Create Set		

Look on the left hand side and you should find Objective Sets. Listed here will be any district and school sets that have been created.

Click the "Create Set" tab.

Create	Objective Set	
Set Name:	Music <u>CSO</u>	~
Create	Cancel Invalid: 🗙 Valid: ✔ Warning:	<u> </u>

Give your objective set a name that you will be able to easily identify. Click the Create button.

After creating the Objective Set, you will be asked to enter objectives for the set.



Manage Objectives Objective Set: Music CSO	
Objectives	Add Objective
No objectives have been created.	Title:
	Description:
	Add All fields required.

Each objective will need a title. You can also enter in an optional description of what the objective is about. This will help students and parents understand what the objective is meant to achieve. Once you enter this information into the right click the Add button.

Manage Objectives Objective Set: Music CSO		
Objectives	Update Objective	
MU.O.GM3-5.1.1	Title:	MU.O.GM3-5.1.3
MU.O.GM3-5.1.2	Description:	sing two part round and
MU.O.GM3-5.1.3		partner songs.
MU.O.GM3-5.1.4		
MU.O.GM3-5.1.5		
	Update Rem	nove Cancel All fields required.

As you add objectives they will show up to the right. You can click the title of an objective to edit or remove it.

Science CSO	44 Objective(s)
MATH CSO	32 Objective(s)
Music CSO	5 Objective(s)

When you are finished the objective will show up on the My Account page. From there you can click on the objectives to edit them at any time.

Please see the *Setting Up Classes Quick-Start* and the *Creating Assignments Quick-Start* to learn how to use objectives in your classes and assignments.

Note: Objective sets created by a teacher are only available to the creator.



Creating Assignments

Log into LiveGrades and select the class you wish to create an assignment for.

Date Due	Assign	ment	Averag	e
	N	lo records found.		
Crosto Ace	ignmont	Assignments	4th 9 Weeks	~
Create Ass	ignment	Assignments	4010 000000	Y

On the class homepage you will see a list of assignments (if any are created) on the left hand side of the page.

To create a new assignment, click on the **"Create Assignment"** tab at the bottom of this section.

Create Assignment

Copy Template:	New		~		Name	Grade	Value	Comment	
ssignment Name:	3			×	Ash, Paul		_	-	
ate Due:				×	Bays, Haley				
ate Assigned:					Davis, Danny			3	
rading Period:	2nd 9 Weeks		~	1	Lamp, Susan				i.
ssignment Type:	Choose_		~	×	Miller, Becky				
ktra Credit:					Smith, Greg	C).			
escription:				Ward, Brent					
					Welk, John	1			
					West, Laura				
	1.2				Fill With:		Fill	0	Clear
dd a Data Locker Fi uplicate Assignmen nvalid: 🗙 Valid:	nt								

This page presents several fields for assignment information along with grade fields and comments for each student in the class. Notice that slots will have red x indicating when a field is required or incorrect. There will be a green checkmark when it is valid.





If you selected to use objective sets while updating your class you will see a link to view Assignment Objective Options. See the *Creating Objective Sets Quick-Start* for more information. Click the Show Options link and it will display all objective options for an assignment.

Create Assig	nment		
Public – Parents, students,	and administrators will be able to se	e all values entered here.	
Assignment Objective (H Objectives graded sep EEL.4 Language	1000	C3	
EEL.4.1 EEL.4.2 EERF.4 Foundation Skills	EEL.4.1.d	EEL.4.1.e	EEL.4.1.f
EERF.4.3 EERI.4 Informational Text	EERF.4.3.b		
EERI.4.1	EERI.4.2	EERI.4.3	
EERI.4.5		EERI.4.7	
EERL.4.1	EERL.4.2	EERL.4.3	EERL.4.4
EERL.4.5	EERL.4.6	EERL.4.7	EERL.4.9
EESL.4 Speaking and List	tening		
EESL.4.1	EESL.4.1.b	EESL.4.1.c	EESL 4.1.d
EESL4.2	EESL.4.3	EESL.4.4	EESL:4.5

From here you can select which objective to include in this assignment. Rolling over an assignment name with your mouse will display the description. You also have the option to grade each objective separately. Selecting this will create an input box in the grade section for each objective.

Copy Template:	New	K
Assignment Name:	New	LS
Date Due:	composition Definitions	

You can select a template to auto-fill values in for you. See the *Creating Assignment Templates Quick-Start* for more information.





Date Due:	-		_	_	_	-	1		
Date Assigned:	?		Ja	nuar	y, 20	15		×	
Grading Period:	×	, C		То	day		5	***	V
Assignment Type:	wk	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	~
Extra Credit:	52	28	29	30	31	1	2	3	Г
Description:	1	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	-
Description	2	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	
	3	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	
	.4	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	
	5	:4	2	3	4	5	6	7	
				Selec	t date				-23

Select the Date Due or Date Assigned box will give you a calendar to select a date from. These date fields are expected to be in the format MM/DD/YYYY.

Grading Period:	4th 9 Weeks 💌	
Assignment Type:	Choose 1st 9 Weeks	x
Possible Points:	2nd 9 Weeks	×
Extra Credit:	Semester 1 Exam	
Description:	Grd 9 Weeks 4th 9 Weeks]
	Semester 2 Exam	

Select the grading period in which this assignment applies to.

Assignment Type:	Choose 💌	×
Possible Points:	Choose	×
Extra Credit:	Conduct Homework	
Description:	Participation	7
	Project	
	Quiz	
	Test	
	Worksheet	

Select the assignment type for this assignment. This list is built from your class's assignment types. See *Modifying Assignment Types Quick-Start* for more information.



Possible Points: 50 J Extra Credit: Description: Add a Data Locker File Duplicate Assignment

Fill in possible points (If class grading type is set to "Points", see Setting-Up Classes Quick-Start). Select if the assignment is extra credit. Then fill in an optional description.

You have an option to attach a file and store it in your Data Locker.

Students can be given access to any file that relates to an assignment. See the Data Locker System Quick-Start for more

information.

Name

Allman, Duane

You can also duplicate an assignment for any other class that will be using the same assignment. Classes that are setup with the same Schedule and Scoring Method will be listed.

> \checkmark Excellent Work! \checkmark Did not turn in. \checkmark Study harder 0 Clear

a comment that students and parents can see online.

You can now begin filling in grade information. The grade input box can take a wide variety of values. You can enter grade marks (See Creating Grade Marks Quick-Start), grade scale values (if scoring method is Non-Numerical), point values (50), percentage values (85%), and calculations (50+5). Beside the grade you can see the calculated point value and a green check if it is acceptable. You can also leave





Value

N/A

Comment

Excused Absence

Grade

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The "Fill With" option can be used to fill all grades with a certain value. If all grades were 50 points then put 50 in the box and hit the Fill button. This will insert 50 into all students that currently have a blank spot.

Once completed filling in all your information, you can then click the "Create" button.





Creating Assignment Templates

Assignment templates are a way for you to quickly duplicate assignments over different classes and grading periods. Copying of assignments can be done in different ways.

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	Disciplin	e Reports

Logon to LiveGrades and at the top of the page find the **"System"** Tab.

Scrolling over the **"System"** Tab will give a dropdown menu. Click the **"My Account"** link.

The My Account page details different options and settings for your LiveGrades account.

Assignment Templates
No templates created.
Add Template Use All Assignments

On the right hand side you should find the Assignment Templates. You have the option of Adding Templates or using all assignments.

By clicking the **"Use All Assignments"** tab, instead of seeing a list of templates you will see a list of all assignments created across all your classes for that given grading period. If you are set to use all assignments, you will have a tab called **"Use Templates"** available. This will switch the functionality back to using templates instead of all assignments.

Click "Add Template" to begin adding a new template.



Template Name:	Workbook Template 🛛 🚽
Assignment Name:	Workbook pg.
Assignment Type:	Homework
Possible Points:	20
Extra Credit:	
Description:	Daily workbook page.

Fill in the assignment information you want to be copied when this template is selected. Once you have the default information recorded, you can click the Create button.

Once created, the template will be added to your list on the My Account page. This can be edited at any time by clicking the name.

If you already have an assignment that you want to create into a template for later use you can go to the class homepage which has the assignment.

Date Due	Assignment	Average
6/16/10	Test 1 🥔	74.44% D
6/15/10	Homework 1 🖉	100.00% A
	ignment Assignments	

On the right hand side will be a list of assignments. Click on the assignment name of which ever assignment you want to create into a template.





Assignment Name:	Homework 1	
Date Due:	Jun 15, 2010	
Assignment Type:	Homework	
Grading Period:	4th 9 Weeks	
Possible Points:	50	

The assignment page will now be displayed. This page displays a list of assignments, assignment information and grades for the selected assignment. Under the assignment information will be the **"Create Template"** tab.

When you click this tab, the assignment information will be inserted into the Create Template page. It can then be edited as necessary and saved as before.

Once you have saved assignment templates, they will be available when you create assignments.

Note: Assignment Templates are only available to the teacher who creates that template.



Modifying Assignments Types

Assignment types in LiveGrades can be weighted so that assignments of that type make up a certain percentage of the overall class grade. For example, you could say that "Tests" are worth 25% of your overall class grade, and "Homework" the remaining 75%. This would mean that if a student had 0% average on his tests and 100% average on his homework, then his overall grade would be 75%.

When classes are imported (or created) in LiveGrades, several default assignment types are created. None of these default types are weighted. You can modify these anyway you please by removing, editing, or adding to the list.

Date Due	Assignment	Average
6/16/10	Test 1 🦉	74.44% D
6/15/10	Homework 1 🥔	100.00% A
Create Ass	signment Assignments	4th 9 Weeks 💉

Go to your class page and on the right hand side of the page, under the assignment listing, select the **"Assignments"** tab.

This will give you a listing of all assignments and details of these assignments.

Date Due	Assignment	Avera	le
6/16/10	Test 1 🦉	74.44%	D
6/15/10	Homework 1 🖉	100.00%	A
Create Ass	signment Assign. Types	Ath 9 Weeks	~

From this page click the **"Assign. Types"** on the left hand side of the screen.



ame	Weight
Conduct	Unweighted
lomework	Unweighted
Participation	Unweighted
Project	Unweighted
Quiz	Unweighted
Fest	Unweighted
Norksheet	Unweighted

This page will give you a list of assignment types for your class. You can create additional assignment types by clicking the **"Create Assign. Type"** tab.

To modify the weight or name of an existing type, click the assignment type name.



When editing an assignment type, a weight of 0% will not be considered weighted. Once your changes are completed you can hit the Update button.

lame	Weight
Conduct	Unweighted
Homework	Unweighted
Participation	Unweighted
Project	Unweighted
Quiz	Unweighted
Test	25.00% of grade
Worksheet	Unweighted

The new percentage will show up in the right column. All other assignment types will make up the other 75% of the grade in this example.

If you update Homework to be 75% then all other assignment types will not count towards a student's grade.



Creating Grade Marks

Grade marks are customizable values that a teacher can use for grading assignments. For example, in one teacher's class an "A" as an assignment grade might mean 96%, while in another teacher's class an "A" might mean 100%. Teachers can set up grade marks with values that reflect their grading policies.

LiveGrades comes with two built-in grade marks, "E" for excused assignments, and "M" for missing assignments.

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Logon to LiveGrades and at the top of the page find the **"System"** Tab.

Citynet – Full Year			
Home Semester	System	Help	Logout
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	Disciplin	e Repo	

Scrolling over the **"System"** Tab will give a dropdown menu. Click the **"My Account"** link.

The My Account page details different options and settings for your LiveGrades account.

Grading Marks	Value	Meaning
E	1	Excused
M	0.00%	Missing
Edit Grade Mark	s	

Look on the left hand side and you should fine the Grading Marks display. Listed here will be the defaults for your school and any marks you have created.

Select the "Edit Grade Marks" tab. You will then be taken to the Grade Marks page.

Grade Marks			
Grade Mark	(Grade Value	
No	Grading N	⁄larks have been	created.
Back	0	0	

The left hand side of the page will list all your created grade marks.





Add Mark		
Mark:	AP	
Value:	100 %	
Add		

On the right hand side you can enter new marks. Once you have entered the information just click the Add button.

Grade Mark	Grade Value		
AM	90%	Edit	
AP	100%	Edit	
BM	80%	Edit	
BP	89%	Edit	
Back 🧕	9		

Once added the marks will show up on the left hand side. You can click the "Edit" link to edit that mark or remove it.

These values will also show up on your My Account page. The grade marks can be used on any of your created assignments in any of your classes.

Note: Grade marks are only available to the teacher who created that mark.



Custom Grading Scales

Default grading scales are available based on the grading scales for your district. These default grading scales are created by your district administrators. Should your classes not use the default district grading scales then LiveGrades offers an option of creating custom grading scales to meet your needs. Some districts do not allow custom grading scales to be created by teachers. If you do not have the options below, then your district may not allow this.

Citynet – Full Year				
Home	Semester	System	Help	Logout

Logon to LiveGrades and at the top of the page find the **"System"** Tab.

Citynet – Full Year			Full Year
Home Semester	System	Help	Logout
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	Disciplin	e Repo	

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Grading Scales	Values	
ABCDF	A,B,C,D,F	
SNIU	S,NI,U	
Add Grading Scale		

Look on the left hand side and you should find the Grading Scales. Listed here will be district defaults and any you have created.

Select the "Add Grading Scale" tab.

Create Gr	ading Scale	
Scale Name:	10 Point Scale	1
Override to:	Minimum 💌]
Create Can	cel 🛛 Invalid: 🗙 Valid: 🛹 Warning: 🖉	<u></u>

Give your grading scale a name, something that you can easily identify. When you override a student's grade if you want the percentage to be the lowest, then select Minimum, for highest, then Maximum.



After creating the Grading Scale, you will be asked to add Grading Scale Values.

Grad	ng Scale	e Values	\$	
Letter	Min Grade	GPA Value	Options	Add Value
N) Grading Scale V	alues have bee	n created.	Letter:
Back				Min Grade: %
				GPA Value:
				Add All fields required

Each letter will need a corresponding minimum grade and GPA value. Enter this information into the form to the right and click the Add button.

Gradi	ng Scale	e Values	s	
Letter	Min Grade	GPA Value	Options	Update Value
A	90%	4	🖡 Edit	Letter: B
В	80%	3	î 🌡 Edit	Min Grade: 80 %
С	70%	2	î 🌡 Edit	00 %
D	60%	1	î 🌡 Edit	GPA Value: 3
F	0%	0	î Edit	Update Remove Cancel All fields required
Back				

As you add values they will show up to the right. You can click the Edit link to edit values or remove a value completely. Also each value can have its order changed by clicking the up or down arrows. The order of values is important for classes that use Non-Numerical scoring methods. See *How Grades Are Calculated Quick-Start* for more information on scoring methods.

ABCDF	A,B,C,D,F	
SNIU	SINIU	
10 Point Scale	A,B,C,D,F	

Once you have completed the process you can view the grading scale on the My Account page. You can go in and edit grading scales by clicking the scale name or grade values.

This grading scale will now be available to any of your classes.

Note: Customized grading scales are only available to the teacher who creates that scale.





Change Student Grading Scale

LiveGrades allows students to be graded on different grading scales. This is only available for classes that use scoring methods of Points or Percent.

Logon to LiveGrades and select the class where the change is needed.

Find the student on the student list from the class view and click on their name.

The Student Information section (right side of page) will have a row called "Grading Scale". By default all students will be using the Class Default grading scale, which is the grading scale the class is set to use.

Student Informati	on	
Student Name:	Freeman, Greg	
School:	Demo4 High School	
Grading Scale:	Class Default	
Guardians:	No guardians found in LiveGrades.	
Send Message	User Account WVEIS Information	

Clicking the "Class Default" Link will allow you to update the grading scale for the selected student.

English4 - Grading

Update Student Grading Scale

Current: C		
	lass Default - ABCDF	
Grading Scale:	Class Default 🔹	
Update Cancel	Class Default ABCDF Sample Standards Based	

Use the select list to choose the grading scale the student should be placed on.

Click on the Update button.



Making Grade Adjustments

LiveGrades offers the ability to make grade adjustments for overall grading period grades and grading blocks. These adjustments include dropping lowest scores, removing weighting from a grading period, adjusting grades by percentage points, overriding the grade and marking a student as incomplete.

To make an adjustment, log into LiveGrades and select the class you wish to make an adjustment to.

Class Information	
Subject:	History
Course Code:	None Given
Section Code:	None Given
Term Schedule:	Nine Weeks
Period:	Period 2
Grading Scale:	ABCDF
Teacher:	Tester, Susan
Update Class G	rid View Grade Adjust. WVEIS

On the left hand side of the page you should see class information. Select the **"Grade Adjust."** tab.

Grading Period	S
1st 9 Weeks	t
2nd 9 Weeks	C
Semester 1 Exam	ā
3rd 9 Weeks	e
4th 9 Weeks	Ę
Semester 2 Exam	5
Semester Grades	
Semester 1 Grade	
Semester 2 Grade	
Final Grade	
Final Grado	

Select the grading period you wish to make updates to. You can also override grades for grading blocks and overall grade. In our examples we will be editing a grading period.

Final Grade



Conduct ,	Homework	, 🔲 Participa	ation , 🔲 Proj	ect, 🔲 Qui	iz, 🗖 Test, 🗖 Worksheet
Jse Assignmen	t Type weigh	ts for this gra	ding period:	Yes ▼	
Student	Grade	Incomplete	Adjustment	Override	Comment (Private)
Allman, Gregg	100.00% A		0%		
Bonham, John	86.00% B		0%		
Conner, Sarah	102.00% A		0%		
Dent, Stew	30.00% F		0%		
Plant, Robert	95.00% A		0%		
Waters, Roger	96.00% A		0%		

The grade adjustment form gives you the ability to drop grades, remove weighting and make adjustments to the grades for each student.

Drop	0	🖌 Grade(s) Fron	n Assignment Typ	es:			
🗹 c	conduct ,	, 🗹 Homework ,	Participation ,	🗹 Project ,	🗹 Quiz ,	🗹 Test ,	🗹 Worksheet

You can select the number and type of assignments you wish to drop from student's grades. This will drop the grades that are most harmful to the student's grading period grade. You can drop up to 10 grades.

Use Assignment Type weights for this grading period:	Yes	*	
	Yes		
	No		

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You can select if you want to use assignment type weights for the grading period. This is usually used for semester exam grading periods, when there is only one assignment and that grade and does not need to be weighted.







Some districts allow teachers to input custom weights for certain grading periods. If this is available to your classes you will see an option to enter a custom weight. This will be set to

the default percentage that the district administrator setup. This weight affects how other grades are calculated by using this grading period's grade. For example a district may allow semester 1 exam to be worth between 10%-20% for the Semester 1 average. This value can be modified by the teacher to be between the grading policy's percentage range.

Student	Grade	Incomplete	Adjustment	Override	Comment (Private)
Allman, Gregg	100.00% A		0%		

At the bottom is a list of the students in the class and what their current grade is in the class. Checking a student as incomplete marks them as needing to complete work in the class. This will change the letter grade to an incomplete symbol. By default the symbol is the letter I, this can be changed in the School Configuration. In the adjustment column you can add or subtract a percentage to a student's grade. So if you want a curve and give everyone in the class an extra 5% then you can just put 5% in every field. The override field accepts either a percentage or a letter grade. This will change the student's grade to the percentage you enter. If you enter a letter grade the grade the percentage if changes to will be determined by how the grading scale is set up. A grading scale can either be set to "Override to Max" or "Override to Minimum", this will determine what the percentage will be set to. (See *Custom Grading Scales Quick-Start* for more information.) In most cases this is set to minimum. The last field is a comment field. This is something only you will see so that you can leave a note about why you made this change.

Once you have all the changes you wish to make, then you can save the information and the grades will be updated.



Running Reports

There are many different reports available to be generated for LiveGrades classes. Some of these reports will depend on how your district administrators have LiveGrades set up.

First you will need to logon to LiveGrades and select a class you wish to run reports for.

ame	Number	Average
Allman, Duane	000512846	80.00% (
Allman, Gregg	000154812	87.50% B
Conner, Sarah	000705963	98.75% /
Gilmour, David	000960978	90.00% B
Lennon, John	000167496	92.50% B
Nicks, Stevie	000373840	95.00% /
Richards, Keith	000143017	98.75% (
Starr, Ringo	000234269	100.00% <i>i</i>
Trucks, Derek	000302694	100.00%
Students Seating Char	t Reports Anno	ouncements

On the class homepage, on the left hand side of the page you will find a list of students. Select the **"Reports"** tab, to get a list of reports that can be generated.

Class Reports

Class Reports		
Assignment Report	Quick-Launch PDF	^
Allows the creation of reports that disp	lay grades that meet	
the specified criteria.		
Absence Totals	Quick-Launch PDF	
Prints a list of total absences for stude	ents in your class.	
Attendance List	Quick-Launch PDF	
Prints list of attendance information fo	r each student.	
Class Grade Report	Quick-Launch PDF	
Lists all students in the class, their av	erages, and their over-	
all grade.		
Disciplinary Reports	Quick-Launch PDF	
Lists all disciplinary reports filed for st	udents.	
Former Student Grades	Quick-Launch PDF	
Creates a report listing the assignme	nt grades for students	
that have been removed from your cla	SS.	
Grade Book Hard Copy	Quick-Launch PDF	~
Print-Outs		
Blank Roll Sheet	Quick-Launch PDF	^
Lists all students in the class and a n	umber of blanks for	
each student to record roll.		
Blank Score Sheet	Quick-Launch PDF	

Lists all students in the class and a number of columns for tracking grades away from the computer. Parent Login Instructions Quick-Launch PDF Prints instructions for parents and guardians to use to view

their student's grades on www.livegrades.com.

The class reports page has a list of all the reports available to you. As mentioned before you may not see all the same reports listed here, as some depend on settings set at the district level. You have two ways of generating reports. You can click the **"Quick-Launch PDF"** link and the report will be generated with default values. You can also click the report name. This will load up options to be selected on the right hand side of the page. You can change these options and generate the report to your liking.

All reports are generated as PDF documents. So you must have Adobe Acrobat Reader installed to view and print them.



List of Reports

- Assignment Report Displays each student's grades for assignments meeting the criteria you select.
- Absence Totals List of students and total number of absences. (Depends on attendance module)
- Attendance List Displays each students marked attendance. (Depends on attendance module)
- **Class Grade Report** List of students and their grades for selected grading period.
- **Disciplinary Reports** List of reports filed for the select students in your class. (Depends on disciplinary module)
- Former Student Grades List of assignment grades for students that are no longer in your class.
- **Grade Book Hard Copy** List of students and assignments in a grid format that you would see in old grade books.
- Individual Grade Reports Displays each student grading period grade and the assignments for that grading period.
- LiveGrades Login Usage List of student and guardians and the last time they logged in.
- **Progress Report** Displays the grade of a student in each class you have that student in.
- Blank Roll Sheet List of students so you can have a hard copy of the roll.
- Blank Score Sheet List of students and an area to create assignments and mark grades.
- **Parent Login Instructions** Instructions to be handed out to parents so they can create a login to LiveGrades.
- **Student Login Instructions** Instructions to be handed out to students so they can log into LiveGrades.

Note: These reports are subject to change. Reports and options are added frequently. Visit the reports page and check options to see changes.





Finalizing Grades

If your district is integrated with an education system such as WVEIS, then the district will be setup to publish your class grades into it.

District Administrators will set up your district with dates to submit grades by. When these dates are approaching then you will see notices on your class homepages. These notices will show up on any class that was imported and display the cut-off date that your district has set. Sometimes multiple notices will show up at once. For example, at the end of the semester, you may see notices for grading period grades, semester grades, and semester exams. You will need to submit any notice that you wish to publish to your information system. If your classes do not use a set of grades then you can ignore those notices.

Finalize 4th 9 Weeks Grades can be finalized until July 9, 2010 at 12:00 PM. Submit Grades

This is an example of the notice you will see. When your grades are completed for the grading period or grading block you are submitting, you can click the

"Submit Grades" link.

The orange colors represents that the grades have not yet been submitted, and you still have time to submit them.

When you click on the **"Submit Grades"** link, you will be taken to the Finalize screen. This is where you can enter Comment codes, or uncheck the "Complete" box for those students who are getting an Incomplete for the grading period.





Name	Number	Grade	Comment 1	Comment 2		
Allman, Gregg	000154812	100.00% A	None 🔻	None 🔻		
Bonham, Johi	n 000216172	86.00% B	None 🔻	None •		
Conner, Saral	n 000705963	102.00% A	None	None 🔻		
Dent, Stew	000710169	30.00% F	None •	None •		
Plant, Robert	000515699	95.00% A	None	None 🔻		
Waters, Roge	r 000257368	96.00% A	None 🔻	None 🔻		
I have reviewed these grades and find them to be accurate.						
I understand t	l understand that submission of these grades is final.					
Finalize	Cancel					

If you wish to leave a report card comment code, you can select one from the drop down. These are imported from your district.

I have reviewed these grades and find them to be accurate. 🗹	Or fir
	HI:
l understand that submission of these grades is final.	Μ
	u

Once you review the grades, mark the first checkbox.

Mark the second checkbox and understand these are the grades that

will be submitted to your education system and cannot be changed by LiveGrades.

Once this is completed you will be able to click the Finalize button. Once the cut-off date is passed then the grades will be submitted to the information system by your district administrators.



After submission the notice will turn green so you will know that the grades have been submitted. You can view the grades you submitted by click the **"View Grades"** link.



Early Senior Finalization

LiveGrades allows teachers with seniors to finalize their grades separate and early. District administrators can mark certain grading periods to allow early senior finalization.

Subject:	CIVIC NXT GE	
Course Code:		
Section Code:	006	2
Class Log:	View Log	6
Term Schedule:	Six Weeks	
Period:	6th period	
Grading Scale:	abcdf scale	
Teacher:		\frown

If you have a class with seniors that need finalized you can click the **"WVEIS"** tab under Class Information section on the Class View Page.

Period Grades

Grading Period	Status		
1st 9 Weeks	No grades received.		
2nd 9 Weeks	No grades received.		
Semester 1 Exam	No grades received.		
3rd 9 Weeks	No grades received.		
4th 9 Weeks	Submit Senior Grades		
Semester 2 Exam	Submit Senior Grades		

Status for All Classes

Semester Grades

Semester	Status
Semester 1 Average	No grades received.
Semester 2 Average	Submit Senior Grades

Final Class Grades

Final	Status	
Class Grade	Submit Senior Grades	

On the WVEIS class screen you will see a list of grade available to submit. If the class has seniors and the option to allow early senior finalization is turned on, you will see an option to **"Submit Senior Grades"**. This will follow the same finalization process as listed above with only seniors in the class.





Using Data Locker

The Data Locker system is an additional feature for LiveGrades where teachers and students can save files online and access from anywhere. The Locker system can be set-up per school or district-wide. To have the Data Locker system implemented in your schools or district contact Citynet to begin implementation.



To access the Locker system, please log into LiveGrades and scroll over the **"System"** tab. Click the **"Data Locker"** link from the drop-down menu that appears.

Data Locker View

	Data L	ocker		
lome Folder				
Home	~ ²	10.01/0		
Math		19.6 KB 8.7 KB		
📄 classdata.xisx		8.5 KB	06-Jul-11 03:40 PM	24
Classnotes.doc		4.4 KB	06-Jul-11 03:42 PM	(9)
notes.txt		0.2 KB	06-Jul-11 03:42 PM	9
Add Folder 🗟 Upload File 🗁 Shared Fi	iles			0% USED
	6			5 47.4 KB of 1 G

This will display your own locker and everything you have stored so far.

- Directory Listing List of all folders you have created and files you have uploaded in the current folder. You can create folders by clicking the "Add Folder" link at the bottom of the directory. You can upload new files by clicking the "Upload File" link at the bottom of the directory. Clicking on a folder will open up that folder to view its contents. Clicking on a file will download that file.
- 2. Folder Options The only folder option is the **"Edit Folder"** icon. Clicking this allows you to edit a folder name.
- File Options List of file options: "Edit File", "File Stats", "File Associations", and "File Link". View the *File Options* section of this quick-start for more information on these options.





- File Status Icon representing whether or not a file is private or public. A private file will be indicated by an unlit light bulb, whereas a public file will be indicated by a lit light bulb.
- 5. Storage Limit How much of your given space you have used. If you reach your storage capacity, you will have to remove files to create additional space.
- 6. Shared Files View files that students have shared with you. View the *Shared Files* section for more information.

File Options



There are 4 option icons for files.

Update File		
NOTE: Once a fi	you to can m	
Location:	Home\ Change Location	folder, or mai
Name:	classnotes 🗸 🗸	private
Public:	Note: Students will have access to this file if marked public and associated to an item.	You w to rem also.
Invalid: 🗙 🕔	/alid: ✔ Warning: 📐	
Update	Remove Cancel	

Clicking the icon will allow you to edit the file. Here you can move the file to a new folder, change the filename, or mark the file as public or private.

You will also have the option to remove the file from here also.

Clicking the icon will display the file stats. The left side will show when the file was last accessed, how many times it has been downloaded overall and by unique users. On the right you will see a listing of all users that have downloaded the file.

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General Stats			C	Download Log		
Last Accessed:	Jul 08, 11 09:09 AM	ι	Jser	Downloads	Last Download	
Total Downloads:	1	Conner, Sa	rah	1	Jul 08, 11 09:09 AM	
Unique Downloads	:: 1					





Clicking the sicon will show the file associations. Files must be associated to a class or assignment and also marked as public for students to have access to that file. Files can have multiple associations. So if the file is a worksheet that is used in your 3 English classes, you only need to upload the file once, and associate it to the 3 classes. Students in all 3 classes will then have access to the file.

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nglish : Weekly Homework 2			
			nglish : Weekly Homework 2

Clicking the kinetic icon will display the file link. You can give this link out to anyone and they will be able to download the file. You can also place the link on your school/class webpage to allow anyone access to the file. Note that the file must be marked as public to allow the access.

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https://livegrades.citynet.net/getFile.cfm? x=71B2B75C303B2ECEE6D5F8C7BD8AAF8DBFD3F1E4B895CECBED2FCEC2DEA704D607C7DAC589F4CAFFC5D3D					

Shared Files

The shared files area is accessed by clicking the link at the bottom of the Data Locker view. This is where you can access files that have been shared to your classes or assignments.

Shared Files			
2010 to 2011 School Year 🖌 🛛 Filter By	Course 💌 Filter		
늘 Shared			
📄 src_hw1.doc	Sarah Conner	4.4 KB	08-Jul-11 10:12 AM
📄 num_test.txt	Sarah Conner	129 bytes	27-Jun-11 11:13 AM
mymathhw.txt	Stew Dent	8.7 KB	25-Mar-11 11:06 AM

You will initially see all files that have been shared with you. Clicking the filename will allow you to download the file. On the right you will see the user that uploaded the file, the size of the file and the date it was uploaded. You can filter the files by year, course and assignment if you wish. This will allow you to easily find files when you need them.





2010 to 2011 School Year 💌 Math	👻 Weekly Homework 💌	Filter	
🔁 Shared			
src_hw1.doc	Sarah Conner	4.4 KB	08-Jul-11 10:12 AM
mymathhw.txt	Stew Dent	8.7 KB	25-Mar-11 11:06 AM

Additional Locker System Functionality

Copy Template:	New	*	
Assignment Name:			×
Date Due:			x
Date Assigned:			
Grading Period:	6th 6 Weeks	*	v
Assignment Type:	Choose	*	×
Extra Credit:			
Description:			1
Add Locker File:	Choose File No file chosen		2
	No file chosen		
Public File:	Note: Students in this class will have		
	access to this file if marked public.		
Invalid: 🗙 🛛 Valid: 🤜	🖊 Warning: 📐		
Create Cance			

Files do not have to be uploaded through the locker system. They can also be uploaded during assignment creation.

When you are creating an assignment you will also see the option to add a locker file. Selecting a file will upload said file and put it in your home directory. It will also automatically associate to the assignment.





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Date Due	Assignment	Avera	ge
1/14/11	🖉 Weekly Homework 🥖	85.71%	В
1/11/11	Weekly Homework2 🥔	47.86%	F

Viewing assignment lists will quickly show which ones have files associated to it by displaying the *I* icon.

Assignment Informa	tion
Assignment Name:	Weekly Homework
Date Due:	Jan 14, 2011
Assignment Type:	Test
Grading Period:	4th 6 Weeks
Possible Points:	100
Description:	Weekly Homework assignment.
Public Files:	mathhw_instructions.txt
Shared Files:	2 Files
Create Template	

Viewing assignment information will also show what files have been associated. It will show your private and public files and the number of files that students have shared to the assignment. Clicking the links will take you to the locker system in the corresponding folders.



Questionnaire Submission

Administrators in LiveGrades can create questionnaires for courses. When a questionnaire instance is created a start date must be filled in along with an optional end date. Once a start date has passed an alert will be displayed to all teachers with a course associated to the questionnaire instance.

Questionnaire "1st Grade Progress Report" Available	•
Complete Questionnaire	

The alert will be displayed on the main class view page between class information and student listing. If an end date is provided the teacher has

until that date to complete the questionnaire.

Clicking the **"Complete Questionnaire"** link will display a list of students currently in the class and if the questionnaire has been completed or not.

Student Indicators: Term	1
Students	
Allman, Gregg	Completed
Bonham, John	Available
Conner, Sarah	Completed
Dent, Stew	Available
Plant, Robert	Available
Waters, Roger	Available
Questionnaire Listing	

If a student has not had a questionnaire submitted the **"Available"** link will allow completion of the questionnaire. Any **"Completed"** link will allow viewing of a questionnaire for a student and modification if the instance end date has not passed.

The **"Questionnaire Listing"** tab will display a list of all questionnaires that have been made available to this class.



Quick Start Guide

Questionnaire

Progress Indicators	
The student is gaining skills needed to Read	
The student is gaining comprehension in Reading	
The student is learning Math concepts	
The student is learning Math computation	
The student is learning Math application	
The student is learning calculator usage	
Responsible Indicators	
Uses good manners	
Respects teachers	
Respects school property	
Respects property of others	
Reading	
Book being read	Fox and His Friends

Completion of the questionnaire just requires inputting the answers for each question in the questionnaire. Once completed, clicking the submit button will submit the questionnaire for the student.

Once all students are completed or the end date has passed for a questionnaire, the alert will disappear from the class view page.

Name	Number	Average
Allman, Gregg	000154812	N/A
Bonham, John	000216172	N/A
Conner, Sarah	000705963	N/A
Dent, Stew	000710169	N/A
Plant, Robert	000515699	N/A
Waters, Roger	000257368	N/A
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Students Seating Cha	rt Reports Announce	ements

To review answers to the questionnaire you can click the **"Students"** tab on the main class view.

The student page will have a "Questionnaires" tab if there have been questionnaires available to your class. This will give a listing of all upcoming, available, and completed questionnaires for review.

Number	Average
000154812	N/A
000216172	N/A
000705963	N/A
000710169	N/A
000515699	N/A
000257368	N/A
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	000154812 000216172 000705963 000710169 000515699 000257368



FAQ for LiveGrades - Teachers

General

Q: How do parents and students get their activation codes?

A: LiveGrades provides two information sheets for students and parents called "Student Login Sheet" and "Parent/Guardian Login Sheet". This can be requested at the school from the teacher or administrator. Citynet will not disclose any of this information to anyone.

Q: What if parents or students forget their logon/password information?

A: The best way to resolve this would be for the parent/student to go to LiveGrades.com and click on the "Forgot Password" link. They will be able to enter their email address and have their login information emailed to them. If they do not have access to the email that they registered with, they have 2 options. The system administrator can manually reset that password on request, or they can request another login sheet for that student and create a new login.

Q: If parents have more than one child in schools using LiveGrades do they need to set up an account for each student?

A: No. Once a parent account is set up, they will be able to see information on all of their children using the student's access code.

Q: How can I be notified of any changes that have been made to LiveGrades?

A: Under the "Help" tab, there is a "Site Updates" link. This will give a complete description of any changes that been recently made. There is an "Opt In" link at the top to receive email notification of any changes.

Q: Can I "hide" classes, such as Homeroom, Planning, etc. that I don't need to grade? Do they have to be visible in my list of graded classes?

A: On the LiveGrades homepage, under the list of teacher classes, there is a tab labeled "Show/Hide". A teacher can click on this tab and a list of the current classes will show up with checkboxes beside each one. Here they are able to select classes that need to be seen, or hidden from view. The courses that have the checkmark removed will no longer be displayed on the homepage or on the "Home" drop down list.



Q: Does LiveGrades support Standards-based grading scales?

A: Yes. In addition to traditional grading, LiveGrades allows classes to align assignments to state or district standards. Standards for WV are already loaded into LiveGrades. Teachers can easily find, view, and use their state standards -- without typing them in.

Q: Can I create a custom grading scale that is different than what the district is using?

A: Yes, if your school district allows this, every teacher could have the ability to create a custom grade scale for any of their classes. In the Help menu, there is a Quick Start Guide with directions for this.

Q: Can individual students in a class have a different grading scale than the rest of the class?

A: Yes. For example, if the class is set up to be ABCDF scale, the teacher can go into the class homepage, select the student that needs this change. On that student page, they will see information about this student, including the Grading Scale. This will say "Class Default", meaning it is set to ABCDF as the class is. If the teacher clicks on the "Class Default", there will be an option to change this grading scale to a different one.

Q: Can individual assignments reflect what Standards and Objectives are being covered in that assignment?

A: Yes. The district and school must have enabled this option for it to be available. Then the teacher can choose to include Standards and Objectives when completing the Class Update information.

Q: How long will assignments appear in the drop down Copy Assignment box, if the assignments are not saved as Templates?

A: The assignments actually persist in the drop down for 10 days after a grading period ends.

Q: How do I override a final grade?

A: By clicking on the Grade Adjustments tab, which can be found on the class homepage, the teacher can adjust a grade by percent or by overriding the grade with a letter or percent. There is a comment column available that is private and only viewed by the teacher.



Q: What does the "Given Grade Only" check box mean?

A: By default, LiveGrades.com publishes both a percentage grade and a letter grade. If the teacher wants to show what was actually inputted in the grade input, then this option can be selected.

Q: How do I enter an exam grade? Is that considered an assignment?

A: Yes, an exam is entered as an assignment. Create an Assignment, complete the information for Assignment Name, Date Due, and when selecting Grading Period select Semester Exam.

Q: How long will LiveGrades stay logged on before it times out?

A: LiveGrades will log off the current user after 20 minutes of inactivity.

Q: Can teachers create their own Grade Marks? Do they have to use the default Grade Marks of "E" and "M"?

A: Yes teachers can create custom Grade Marks. Under the System tab, select My Account, select Edit Grade Marks, and adjust to the desired marks.

Q: Can a Parent or Guardian account remove a student from their account?

A: Yes. The Account holder can remove the student from their livegrades.com account. Click on the Account tab and select "Remove a Student".

Q: How can a school district make sure that absences are being calculated correctly?

A: Absences are calculated by the absence value given to an attendance type. If a school district has multiple values that count as "Absent", such as "Excused Absent" or "Absent with Note", they need to make that value 1. If they are using something like "Half Day Absent" they can give the value of .5. The LiveGrades system "Adds" these values to give a total number of absences. These values can be found under District Settings.

Q: If a class is assigned to a different teacher, will the students in this class lose all the grades that were put in by the previous teacher?

A: A class is defined by the school, course code, section code. Assignments/Grades are attached to a class. Teachers are attached to a class. The teacher can change 100 different times and the class will remain the same. You can see the teacher the same as a student. They are being added and removed. In reality nothing is transferring, a teacher will be removed from





a class and another teacher will be added to the class. An issue will only arise if a course code or section code changes.

Q: How does a classroom teacher look at grades for a former student?

A: Classroom teachers can retrieve all assignment grades for former students. On the class page, under Reports tab, there is a report called "Former Student Grades".

WVEIS Related

Q: If a course is removed from WVEIS, will it automatically be removed from LiveGrades?

A: No, LiveGrades will not remove courses automatically so that data is not lost such as assignments and grades.

