

A Parent's Guide to Grading and Reporting at Ridgeview Middle School



MCPS Grading and Reporting Policy states the following:	Reassessment Policy at RMS		
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Teachers will assess student learning in a variety of ways over time within a grading period. Course teams of departments will determine grading processes, including weights and proportions, and apply them consistently. The processes will be communicated in advance and in writing to students and parents. When using points or percentages, a teacher assigns a grade no lower than 50 percent to the task/assessment. If a student does no work on the task/assessment, the teacher will assign a zero. If a teacher determines that the student did not attempt to meet the basic requirements of the task/assessment, the teacher may assign a zero. Teachers will establish due dates and deadlines. Teachers are expected to separate the due date from the deadline in order to increase opportunities for students to complete assignments; however, there may be some exceptions when the due date and deadline are the same. It is recognized that, for daily homework assignments, the due date and deadline may be the same to facilitate the teaching and learning process. Work turned in after the due date and by the deadline may be lowered no more than one letter grade or 10 percent of the grade. Work submitted after the deadline will be recorded as a zero. <p><i>(Additional information available by visiting http://www.mcpsmd.org/info/grading)</i></p>	<p>We are committed to students and their learning. Reteaching and reassessment occurs when teachers or students determine that students are not meeting learning goals.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Teachers will determine the method and schedule to provide “extra help”. Assignments which are reassessable are determined and announced to students in advance. Assignments which are reassessable will be marked with a “R” in the gradebook. In order for an assignment to be reassessed the original task must be complete. Students will also need to schedule an opportunity for re-teaching with their teacher before the assignment can be re-assessed, unless a teacher conducts a whole class reteaching session. If an assignment is determined to be reassessable, all students will be eligible for reassessment regardless of the grade on the original assignment provided they have met the requirements determined by the teacher. Scores earned on the reassessment will REPLACE the original score. Course alike teachers will determine consistent timelines for reassessments, meaning students, regardless of who their teacher is, will be able to reassess the same assignments with the same timelines. The class syllabus will include each teacher’s specific policy. Once the deadline for reassessment has passed, students will not be allowed to reassess an assignment. Summative assessment and certain other assignments cannot be reassessed 		
Gradebook Symbols & Meaning	Important Dates		Grade Updates
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ 0= A Zero on an assignment; affects final calculation; no credit given. ✓ X= Assignment does not factor into final grade documentation. ✓ Z= Assignment not turned in, counts as a 0 but may be handed in before the deadline, and will count as a 0 at final calculation if not. ✓ Blank= Teacher has entered the assignment into the gradebook, but has not entered a grade. This does not necessarily indicate a missing assignment. 	<p>Interims dates: October 5th December 12th March 1st May 9th</p>	<p>Marking Period ends: November 7th January 25th April 3rd June 13th</p>	<p>Progress reports are printed and handed to students every 3 weeks. Teachers are expected to update grades, at minimum, every 3 weeks.</p>