

## GRADING SYSTEMS

Grades should reflect the academic performance of students and should not be used to correct disciplinary problems. Grades should chart the individual academic development as determined by a student's participation and test scores, as well as development in terms of individual achievement commensurate with the student's ability.

The classroom teacher has the primary responsibility to evaluate students and determine student grades. Once a grade is assigned to a student by a teacher, the grade may only be changed by a building administrator after consultation with the teacher about the reason for the change. Any such grade change may be appealed to the Superintendent of Schools.

The Board of Education directs the Superintendent to oversee the operation of the grading system to ensure that these policy objectives are satisfied and that parents are notified of their child's performance in a timely and informative manner.

Ref: *Matter of Dickerson*, 20 EDR 132 (1980)  
*Matter of MacWhinnie*, 20 EDR 145 (1980)

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