

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Board of Education
Upper Marlboro, Maryland

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Policy No.

BOARD OF EDUCATION POLICY

STUDENTS

Grading and Reporting for Elementary and Secondary Students

The Board of Education of the Prince George's County Public Schools believes that all students can learn and achieve at high levels, that rigorous performance standards and achievement standards are essential components of developing and delivering quality instruction, and that regular assessment is an important component of an effective teaching and learning environment and an important tool in measuring students' learning.

This policy, and the accompanying Administrative Procedures, will govern and standardize grading processes and procedures in elementary and secondary schools. Further, where district wide examinations are administered, this policy will standardize the calculation of grades by content area. Further, this policy affirms the Board of Education's belief that grades will be reflective of student mastery of and demonstration of actual achievement relative to, the rigorous academic standards that under gird the Maryland Voluntary State Curriculum and are reflected in the state assessments.

In accordance with COMAR 13A.03.02.12 and to guide administrators and teachers, the Board of Education directs the Superintendent of Schools to provide Administrative Procedures on grading and reporting that shall include but not be limited to the following:

1. Establishment of instructional objectives and standards of performance for each course;
2. Factors to be used in determining grades;
3. Reporting contacts between parent (guardian) and teacher that maximize the school-home partnership in support of student achievement;
4. Procedures for appeal of grades and course withdrawal;
5. Grading provisions for children with Individual Educational Plans; and
6. Compliance with the student record requirements as set forth in COMAR 13A.08.02.

Legal Reference: Code of Maryland Regulations 13A.03.02.12 and 13A.08.02.

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