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Innovation Charter High School Grading

Purpose: The purpose of this document is to outline policy and guidelines for grading for the 25-26 school year at Innovation. As we begin a new semester of learning, we must ensure that our assessments of students are equitable, meaningful, and provide multiple means for students to demonstrate their learning. Additionally, our policies must take into account the wide range of student experiences and create as many opportunities for success as possible. This is not an exhaustive list of all considerations that should be taken while grading but should serve as guidelines when grading Innovation students.

Category	Policy						
Grading Deadlines	The school year will be divided into two credit bearing semesters with two quarters in each semester. There will be a total of four quarters for the entire school year.						
	Each semester grade will be an average of the two quarters within that semester.						
All grading deadlines for the school year are found below. It is part of your pro- responsibility to have your gradebook updated by each grading deadline. You be updated on a weekly basis by the end of day on the first day of the week.							
	Grade Cycle	ι	ast Day of Assignments	Grading De	adline @ 5pm		
	Quarter 1 Progress Reports		Friday, 10/3/25	Monday, 10)/6/25		
	Q1 Report Cards	F	Friday, 10/31/25	Monday, 11	Monday, 11/3/25		
	Quarter 2 Progress Reports		Friday, 12/5/25	Monday, 12	Monday, 12/8/25		
	Q2/S1 Report Cards	F	Friday 1/16/26	Friday 1/23	Friday 1/23/26		
	Quarter 3 Progress Repo	orts F	Friday 2/27/26	Monday 3/	Monday 3/2/26		
	Q3 Report Cards		Friday 3/27/26	Monday 3/	Monday 3/30/26		
	Enrichment Week						
	Quarter 4 Progress Reports		Friday 5/8/26	Monday 5/	Monday 5/11/26		
	Q4/S2 Report Cards	7	Tuesday 6/16/26	Wednesday	Wednesday 6/17/26		
Gradebook Category Weights	Each quarter will be set up for you on the backend of PowerSchool to reflect the following, no other categories should be used:						
	Category	Percent	Description	on	Minimums		



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Formative Assessments	50%	The goal of a formative assessment is to monitor student learning by providing ongoing feedback to students in order to improve learning. This type of assessment is low stakes, which means it has a lower point value.	1-2 assignments per week
Summative Assessments 50%		The goal of a summative assessment is to evaluate student learning at the end of a unit by comparing it to a standard.	2-3 per quarter

Formative Assessments	Summative Assessments
Homework	 Quizzes
Exit Tickets	Projects
Checks for Understanding	 Exams
Guided Practice	Essays
Independent Practice	
Science Labs	
Class Discussions	

Each semester will automatically be set to average the two quarters.

Assignment Codes

Code	Value	Use
MIS	45%	Student is present in class but does not submit an assignment.
ABS	45%	Student is absent from class when an assignment is collected.
INC	45%	Student tried the assignment but earned lower than 45% OR student turned in an incomplete assignment. This should indicate to students and families that they need to improve their understanding of the content.
EX	Null Student is excused/exempt from assignment, because of an exabsence, teacher decision.	
Т	Null	Student who transfers into your class within the last two weeks of the marking period and has no prior grades.



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Advisory Grading	Since advisory is a credit bearing class aligned to standards, each week an assignment needs to be added to your gradebook. You can use only the formative assessment category for advisory. Each week enter a 20 point formative assessment grade using the following break down: 5 points for attendance, 5 points for participation, 10 points for the activity.			
Lateness	 Students can turn in a formative assessment up to 3 school days late. No assignments will be accepted after the end of the quarter. No points will be deducted for late assignments. Grades should be reflective of what students know and are able to do. Summative assessments can be accepted through the end of the quarter. 			
Revisions	 Students should have the opportunity for re-engagement in material and retakes or revisions on all summative assessments until the end of the quarter. Prior to the retake or revision students must have an opportunity for additional learning prior to re-assessment. This can look like test corrections, coming to Warrior Workroom, etc. The re-assessment grade should replace the prior summative assessment grade. This does not mean that if a student is consistently absent without an excuse they should be provided the opportunity to complete tasks or take assessments until the end of the quarter. Students should have pre-planned opportunities for re-engagement and skill attainment throughout the quarter, this does not mean students can turn in random, revised, and other work in the last week of the quarter. 			
Submitting Final Grades	Qr Codes Percent Use			
		55%	Used for students whose final quarter grade is below 55%.	
	NS 45%		Used for students whose final quarter attendance is <u>0%</u> .	
	EX/T	Null	Students are excused/transferred in, no need to change percent on P	
	Р	100%	Passing code for Advisory and Science Labs.	
	INC 55% Incomplete code for Advisory and Science Labs.			
	When finalizing grades (for each quarter and semester), only the following values may be submitted if the student's grade is below 65: 55, 60, or 65. Please review your gradebook and apply manual overrides as needed based on the criteria below:			



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- Mandatory: If a student's final average is below 55%, you must manually override the grade to 55%. No final grades below 55 will be recorded.
- For students with a final average between 56–59%, determine whether the student has demonstrated sufficient mastery to merit a 60%. If so, manually override the grade to 60%; if not, the grade should be overridden to 55%.
- For students with a final average between 61–64%, assess whether they have met the expectations to earn course credit. If they have, override the grade to 65%; if not, the grade should be overridden to 60%.