Orange Public Schools Grading, Promotion, and Retention Guidelines



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Orange Public Schools

Orange Board of Education Vision and Mission Statements

Vision:

The Orange Public School District commits to provide a safe and caring environment where each is expected to grow and succeed. We pledge to prepare all students with equitable opportunities for college and career readiness, leading to lifelong learning and responsible citizenship in a competitive global community.

Mission Statement:

- The Orange Public School District in collaboration with all stakeholders is responsible for promoting the academic, social, emotional and personal success of all students.
- With a commitment to academic excellence, the district provides teachers, families, and administrators the tools needed for all students to reach their full potential.
- The District serves all students in our schools, acknowledging their unique backgrounds, cultural perspectives and learning styles.
- The District recognizes that curiosity, discipline, integrity, responsibility and respect are necessary for success.
- The Orange Public School District cultivates a community of 21st century learners where students take ownership of the learning process, achieve high standards of excellence, and focus on academics.

"Good to Great"

Orange Public Schools Belief Statements

We believe that:

- All children can learn.
- High clear and consistent expectations yield high results.
- Excellence is required and attainable.
- Students require a safe environment, both physically and emotionally.
- Family and community involvement, advocacy and support are essential.
- Relationships are the foundation of a positive culture.

GRADING POLICY – (K-12) EVALUATION OF INDIVIDUAL STUDENT PERFORMANCE

The Orange Township Public School District recognizes that a system of grading student achievement will help students, teachers, and parents/guardians assess progress toward educational goals. Despite years of educational research, there is no evidence to indicate that one grading or reporting method works best under all conditions, in all circumstances (Guskey 1994). As an important component in the improvement of student learning, grading must be understood and articulated by all stakeholders in the educational process, including students, teachers, administrators, and parents/guardians. However, in developing practices that seek to be fair, equitable, and useful to students, parents, and teachers, educators can rely on two guidelines:

- Provide accurate and understandable descriptions of learning.
- Using grading and reporting methods to enhance, not hinder, teaching and learning.

In a standards-based educational system, it is important for grades to reflect a student's mastery of the standards at his/her grade level. This paradigm shift is a shift from a compliance culture driven by teacher power—where grades rewarded compliance and punished noncompliance—to a performance culture driven by student empowerment and mastery of learning (Vatterott 2015). Grading shall be that system of measuring and recording student progress and achievement, which enables students, teachers, and parents/guardians to learn the student's strengths and weaknesses and identify where instruction ought to be modified to provide for the student's advancement or remediation. Grades shall measure the student's progress against both individual potential for achievement and the achievements of others.

The implementation of a system of grading student achievement should result in the following:

- A. Each student should know what behavior and achievements are expected of him/her.
- B. Each student shall be kept informed of his/her progress during the course of the school year.
- C. Methods of grading shall be appropriate to the course of study and grade placement of students.
- D. Students shall be encouraged to review their own achievements.

Grading is an integral part of the teaching and learning process. Grades provide information about student progress as they guide and inform individual and group decisions. Student achievement is the primary factor to include in grades (Marzano 2000). Student achievement is defined as competence in subject-matter content.

Academic Grade Components

A minimum of sixteen (16) grades should reflect student progress in grades 1-12, entered in Genesis each marking period, unless noted below.

- A minimum of five (5) grades should reflect student progress in grades 1-7 in World Languages, Visual and Performing Arts, Computer Literacy, STEM because they do not meet the same number of days as the core classes.
- Academic grades are not reduced as punishment for misconduct.
- ➤ Teachers are responsible for inputting grades in Genesis, and parents can see the grades through the Parent Portal.

Weights

- 25% summative assessments, which includes end of chapter tests, unit tests, and District assessments.
- **25%** authentic assessments, including portfolios, performance assessments, exhibitions, research, projects, internships, essays, book reports, speeches, and 21st century real world experiences.
- 20% quizzes, including short assessments of targeted learning objectives.
- **20%** classwork and participation, including discussions, teamwork, problem solving daily journal entries, logs, demonstrations, and skill applications.
- 10% homework, including interim checkpoints for long-term projects and independent reading.

Homework (Policy # 2330)

The recommended total number of minutes per grade level may be differentiated for different tiers of students.

Kindergarten	20 minutes
Grades 1-2	30minutes
Grades 3-4	45 minutes
Grades 5-6	60 minutes
Grades 7-12	90-120 minutes

Frequency of Grade Reporting

Report cards are disseminated quarterly. Progress reports are disseminated the fourth week of the each marking period. If a student is exhibiting unsatisfactory performance or is experiencing change in performance, the teacher must notify parents/guardians in a timely manner prior to the distribution of the progress report or report card. Please adhere to district calendar/signed report cards are due back to the reporting school no later than five (5) days after receipt of the report card.

Kindergarten 2020-2021

Kindergarten teachers assess students using Work Sampling. The Work Sampling System, an authentic performance assessment, is based on teachers' observations of children at work in the classroom learning, solving problems, interacting, and creating products. The Work Sampling System includes three interrelated elements—developmental guidelines and checklists, portfolios and summary reports.

Explanation of Academic Grades and Other Measures (1-8)

90-100	Exceeds the standard
80-89	Meets the standard
70-79	Marginally meets the standard
65-69	Approaching the standard
<65	Below the standard

Any marking period or progress report grade less than 72% mandates a parent teacher conference.

EFFORT

Student Responsibility Rubrics

- 4. The student participates in classroom activities and discussions without being asked.
- 3. The student participates in classroom activities and discussions when asked.
- 2. The student participates in classroom activities and discussions only when required to do so or when the request involves some form of explicit or implied threat.
- 1. The student refuses to engage in classroom activities and discussions.

Assignments Rubric

- 4. The student is punctual or early turning in assignments and goes beyond the stated requirements relative to neatness and adherence to conventions. The student submits all assignments.
- 3. The student is punctual in turning in assignments and meets the stated requirements relative to neatness and adherence to conventions. 75% of assignments are submitted.
- 2. The student is not punctual in turning in assignments or does not meet the stated requirements relative to neatness and adherence to conventions. Less than 75% of assignments are submitted.
- 1. The student is not punctual in turning in assignments and does not meet the stated requirements relative to neatness and adherence to conventions. Less than half of assignments are submitted.

BEHAVIOR

Working in Groups Rubric

- 4. The student works toward the attainment of group goals without being asked.
- 3. The student works toward the attainment of group goals when asked or cued.
- 2. The student works toward the attainment of group goals only when required to do so or when the request involves strong urging or even some explicit or implicit threat.
- 1. The student refuses to work toward the attainment of group goals.

Following Rules Rubric

- 4. The student follows classroom rules and procedures without being reminded or cued.
- 3. The student follows classroom rules and procedures when reminded or cued.
- 2. The student follows classroom rules and procedures only when required to do so or when the request involves strong urging or even some explicit or implicit threat.
- 1. The student refuses to follow classroom rules and procedures.

ATTENDANCE

Absenteeism Rubric

- 4. The student is present.
- 3. The student is absent but provides a valid explanation or excuse.
- 2. The student is absent but provides a questionable explanation or excuse.
- 1. The student is absent without explanation or excuse.

Tardiness Rubric

- 4. The student is on time.
- 3. The student is tardy but provides a valid excuse.
- 2. The student is tardy and provides a questionable excuse.
- 1. The student is tardy without explanation or excuse.

Honor Roll	Grades 1-12
Principal's List	95%-100% average of all grades
High Honor Roll	90%-94%% average of all grades
Honor Roll	80%-89% No grade lower than a 75%
Attendance Honors	100% attendance
Superintendent's List	Principal's List for 3 marking periods at the June Recognition Ceremony

Graduation Requirements (Policy # 5460)

To receive a New Jersey endorsed diploma from Orange High School or STEM Innovation Academy of the Oranges, each student must earn a minimum of 125 credits.

School counselors must perform a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) annually to ensure students are on target towards high school graduation.

COURSES*	YEARS	CREDITS
English	4	20
Mathematics	3	25
Science	3	15
Social Studies	3	15
Physical Education	4	16
Health and Safety Education	4	4
Visual and Performing Arts	1	5
World Languages	2	10
Financial Literacy, Economics, or Intro. to Business	.5*	2.5
21st Century Life and Careers or Career Technical Education	1	5
Electives	3	15

^{*}Semester course

Grade Progressions and Additional Graduation Requirements

- In order for a freshman to be promoted as a sophomore they must earn <u>30</u> credits
- In order for a sophomore to be promoted as a junior they must earn 60 credits
- In order for a junior to be promoted to a senior they must earn <u>95</u> credits
- In order to graduate, a student must earn a minimum of <u>125</u> credits in the required courses for graduation
- 125 credits minimum required to meet graduation requirements
- Meets or exceeds expectations on state assessments
- 60 hours of community Service (15 hours each year of school)

Grade Appeal Process

Any parent has the right to appeal a student's grade according to the following guidelines:

Step One: Parent contacts the teacher to discuss the grade.

Step Two: If there is no resolution, parent contacts the grade level vice principal or the

principal to arrange for a conference.

Step Three: If no resolution after steps 1 and 2, parent contacts the Office of the Superintendent

to arrange for a conference where a final decision will be made.

Resolution to the appeal process should occur within a three-week time frame.

Class Rank (Policy # 5430)

Numeric	СР	Honors	AP/College Dual Enrollment
97.0000-100.0000	4.3	4.8	5.3
90.0000-96.9999	4.0	4.5	5.0
87.0000-89.9999	3.5	4.0	4.5
80.0000-86.9999	3.0	3.5	4.0
77.0000-79.9999	2.5	3.0	3.5
70.0000-76.9999	2.0	2.5	3.0
67.0000-69.0000	1.5	2.0	2.5
65.0000-66.9999	1.0	1.5	2.0
<65	0.0	0.00	0.00

Retention Guidelines

Kindergarten:

There will be no Kindergarten retentions, unless approved by the Office of the Superintendent.

Grades 1-8

- 1. Parents of elementary and middle school students in jeopardy of failing a content area are notified through progress reports, marking period report cards, and through access to all grades through the Parent Portal.
- 2. Intervention plans initiated for students whose grades were below 72% are available for review.
- 3. Monthly letters generated from Genesis and parent contact must be recorded for students in danger of failing.
- 4. Notes sent to parents must be recorded in Genesis.
- 5. A log in reference to parent contacts must be readily available.
- 6. An on-going folder of student work must be maintained.
- 7. A list of students being considered for retention must be sent by the building principal to the Superintendent of Schools no later than the last week of May. The data for each student must accompany the list, including but not limited to, intervention plans, contact logs, and a copy of the report card and progress reports.
- 8. In consultation with the building principal, the Superintendent of Schools will determine whether a student will be retained.
- 9. A formal letter of retention must be sent to the parents no later than the second week of June.
- 10. Parents may file an appeal; however, all appeals are finalized by the Superintendent of Schools.

There can only be one retention for children in grades 1-4 and only one retention for students in grades 5-8. All students who are in danger of failing should be referred to Intervention and Referral Services (I&RS).

Grades 9-12

- 1. Parents of high school students in jeopardy of failing a content area are notified through progress reports, marking period report cards, and through access to all grades through the Parent Portal.
- 2. Intervention plans initiated for students whose grades were below 72% are available for review.
- 3. After the first marking period, notification of a more aggressive plan should be initiated immediately.
- 4. The school counselor shall initiate and document monthly contact with parents and students.
- 5. A teacher log (maintained in Genesis) in reference to parent contacts must be readily available.
- 6. At the close of the semester for a semester course after the third marking period, of a full year course, a formal letter of failure intent must be sent to parents.
- 7. Parents may file an appeal; however, the Superintendent of Schools must approve all appeals.
- 8. School Counselors will review transcripts to ensure that credit recovery is scheduled.
- 9. A student **may** lose credit in a course by exceeding eighteen (18) unexcused absences for a full year course or nine (9) unexcused absences in a semester course. In accordance with Board policy, a review will occur in these circumstances.

Students with Special Needs

Accommodations

Accommodations are changes made to the instructional/assessment procedures in order to provide a classified student with equal access to the curriculum and an equal opportunity to demonstrate knowledge and skills without fundamentally altering the content or performance criteria. Accommodations do not change or modify the standard(s) or grading requirements for students. All accommodations for each student are found in his/her Individual Educational Plan.

Accommodations may include, but are not limited to:

- Presentation, format and/or procedure
- Response format and/or procedure
- Instructional strategies
- Time/scheduling
- Environmental alterations

Assistive Technology

Modifications

Modifications are changes made to assignments and assessments for the same reasons as stated above. All modifications for each student are found in his/her Individual Educational Plan.

Modifications may include:

- Content requirements
- Changes to assessments
- Performance criteria

English Languge Learners

The goal of these recommendations is to increase the linguistic and academic abilities of students, set students up for success, and give them a positive feeling of achievement if they are working hard in class.

- ELL student proficiency levels range from 1-6, beginning at the non-verbal and word level, and incrementally progressing towards grade level proficiency. See the "Can Do Descriptors" for more information.
- These recommendations are for English language learners who are in classrooms where English is the predominant language.
- When determining at which level to place a student, consider level of proficiency, grade level expectations, native language skills, class placement, program structure, and other contributing factors.
- Each student is different. What may work with one student may not work with another student. That is why there is overlap in the proficiency level bands below.
- Content area teachers should work in consultation with ESL teachers to evaluate student performance.
- Research suggests that grade retention because of language proficiency and academic background can have negative effects on students (Eastern Stream Center on Resources and Training, 1994, p.26).

WIDA Can Do Descriptors: https://wida.wisc.edu/teach/can-do/descriptors

Appendix

- A. High School Attendance Policy Appeal Form
- B. Notice of Planned Intervention
- C. Intervention Form
- D. Student Appeal Form
- E. Notice of Retention Form

- F. Retention Educational Plan
- G. Sample ESL Progress Report

Add school letterhead to all forms.

Orange Board of Education ATTENDANCE POLICY APPEAL FORM For Graduating Seniors

Please complete this form if you have exceeded eighteen (18) absences in a course due to extenuating circumstances. Students appealing for credit must have a passing average in the course.

If you wish to appeal the Orange Board of Education Attendance policy, please complete the following steps:

- 1. Complete this form and return it to the appropriate office.
- 2. Attach a statement from the student explaining the absences and the rationale for waiver
- 3. Attach a statement from the parent/guardian supporting the waiver
- 4. Attach all supporting documentation.
- 5. Return this form and its attachments the the appropriate office no later than _____

Your attendance records, disciplinary records, and teacher recommendations will be considered in making a decision on your appeal. You will be notified by mail of the outcome of your appeal.

ist the courses for which you are reques	<u> </u>	
Course Name	Teacher Name	Current Course Grade
ease list the high school staff members	s with whom you have been working	g to address attendance issues.
lease attach an explanation of the exten chools Attendance Policy. Attach all m	edical or legal documentation relate	ed to the absences in question.
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APPENDIX B

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Notice of Planned Intervention

Date	
Name of Student	
School	Present Grade
Your child has not met the necessary proficiency requand is presently in danger of failing the course. It is imperative that a meeting is scheduled to discustimeline for implantation.	Subject/Content
Please call to set an appointment so that we interventions and a timeline for implementation.	e may meet to discuss and develop necessary
mer ventions and a timeme for implementation.	
Thank	you.
Teacher Name	School Phone Number

APPENDIX C

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Intervention Form

I understand that my child needs assistance in the following areas:				
The agreed upon plan is as follows: (inclusive of st	andards to be addressed, materials,	programs, and		
Child Name	Grade			
Intervention Meeting Date				
I have reviewed assessments, work, etc				
	Parent Signature			
Intervention Plan with timelines:				
Student Signature	Parent Signature			
 Teacher Signature	Principal Signature			

APPENDIX D

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Student Promotion Appeal Form

School Present Grade Appealed by Date Level I Reason for parent appeal:
Level I
Reason for parent appeal:
Principals Decision
Agree Disagree
Reason for denial or recession:

APPENDIX E

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Notice of Retention

Date		
Dear		
Please be informed that your child		
Grade		
Will not be promoted in the	school year.	
His/Her performance has not improved with	n interventions and procedures s	et forth by meetings
held during the school year.		
Notifications of your child's progress were in were signed.	nitially shared on	and contracts
Your child is being retained due to not reach	ning competency levels in assess	ments, cycle grades etc.,
in one or more of the following areas:		
Sincerely,		
Principal	School Telephone	Number

APPENDIX F

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Retention Education Plan

Name	Plan Year
Course/Grade	
Days Absent	
(Parent teacher)	
Reasons for Retention (Specify)	
Key areas to support/provide reinforce	ement (define standards)
Receiving Teacher Goals	
Student Comments:	
Parent Signature	Teacher Signature
Student Signature	

Sample ESL Progress Report (Year)

Student's Name:Grade: $2^{nd}-3^{rd}$ Teacher: $V = On Track$ $X = Not Met$	ESL	Teache	<u>:r:</u>	
V = On Track $X = Not Met$		E =	Excee	ded
Listening	1	2	3	4
Level 1 student moving to Level 2				
Student will move from a Level 1 (Entering) to a Level 2 (Beginning) in listening, by demonstrating mastery of the following Can Do Descriptors:				
• Identifying the "who," "where" and "when" of illustrated				
Identifying main materials or resources from oral descriptions Matching and descriptions to all descriptions.				
 Matching oral descriptions to photos, pictures, or icons Following simple sequences presented orally to create patterns or sequences 				
	-		2	,
Speaking Land Land Land Land Land Land Land Land	1	2	3	4
Level 1 student moving to Level 2				
Student will move from a Level 1 (Entering) to a Level 2 (Beginning) in speaking, by demonstrating mastery of the following Can Do Descriptors:				
Reproducing facts or statements in context				
Participating in multi-media presentations based on research				
Naming steps in processes or procedures				
Describing familiar phenomena in words or phrases	1	2	3	1
Reading Level 1 student moving to Level 2	1	2	3	4
Level 1 student moving to Level 2				
Student will move from a Level 1 (Entering) to a Level 2 (Beginning) reading, by demonstrating mastery of the following Can Do Descriptors:				
 Identifying time related language in context (e.g., in biographies) Illustrating experiences of characters in illustrated statements 				
 Interpreting images, illustrations, and graphics 				
• Identifying elements of expository texts (e.g., graphs, captions) in illustrated texts				
Writing	1	2	3	4
Level 1 student moving to Level 2				
Student will move from a Level 1 (Entering) to a Level 2 (Beginning) in writing, by demonstrating mastery of the following Can Do Descriptors:				
Listing ideas using graphic organizers				
 Describing visual information 				
Describing elements of processes or procedures				
• Stating how something happens using illustrations and sequential language (e.g.,				
eruption of volcanoes				
Teacher Comments: Quarter 1				

ESL Progress report (Year)

Student's Name: Grade: 2 nd Teacher:			ESL	
Teacher:				
V = On Track $X = Not Met$		E =	Exceed	ds
Listening	1	2	3	4
Level 2 student moving to Level 3				
Student will move from a Level 2 (Beginning) to a Level 3 (Developing) in listening, by demonstrating mastery of the following Can Do Descriptors:				
 Identifying linking words or phrases related to passage of time in speech (e.g., "on Monday" "the next day") Illustrating events in response to audio recordings of stories or poems Carrying out steps described orally to solve problems 				
 Completing graphic organizers or representations from oral comparisons 				
Speaking	1	2	3	4
Level 2 student moving to Level 3				
Student will move from a Level 2 (Beginning) to a Level 3 (Developing) in speaking, by demonstrating mastery of the following Can Do Descriptors:				
 Retelling simple stories from picture cues Stating information from personal or school-related experiences Describe relationships between objects or uses for tools 				
 Expressing cause and effect of behaviors or events 				
Reading	1	2	3	4
Level 2 student moving to Level 3				•
Student will move from a Level 2 (Beginning) to a Level 3 (Developing) in reading, by demonstrating mastery of the following Can Do Descriptors:				
 Creating timelines or graphic organizers from illustrated related statements or paragraphs 				
• Identifying temporal-related words that signal order of events (e.g., "In the beginning")				
 Sequencing sentences descriptive of processes or procedures in informational texts 				
Locating details in content area texts or media	1	2	2	
Writing	1	2	3	4
Level 2 student moving to Level 3				
Student will move from a Level 2 (Beginning) to a Level 3 (Developing) in writing, by demonstrating mastery of the following Can Do Descriptors:				
 Retelling past experiences Expressing ideas in various genres (e.g., poetry, interactive journals) Comparing causes of different phenomena Stating ideas about content-related topics 				

Teacher Comments: Quarter 1

ESL Progress Report Grade: 2nd - 3rd Teacher: Student's Name: ESL Teacher: V = On Track X = Not Met E = ExceedsListening Level 3 Student moving to Level 4 Student will move from a Level 3 (Developing) to a Level 4 (Expanding) in listening, by demonstrating mastery of the following Can Do Descriptors: Re-enacting content-related situations or events from oral descriptions Identifying content related ideas from oral discourse using multi-media (e.g., retracing steps of a process) Identifying connectors in speech or text read aloud Identifying content-related ideas and details in oral discourse 2 4 Speaking Level 3 Student moving to Level 4 Student will move from a Level 3 (Developing) to a Level 4 (Expanding) in speaking, by demonstrating mastery of the following Can Do Descriptors: Sequencing events in stories with temporal transitions (e.g., "After the sun set...") Describing situations and events from school and the community Stating details of processes or procedures Describing consequences of behaviors or occurrences 2 4 Reading **Level 3 Student moving to Level 4** Student will move from a Level 3 (Developing) to a Level 4 (Expanding) reading, by demonstrating mastery of the following Can Do Descriptors: Describing a series of events or procedures Creating stories with details about characters and events Illustrating cause/ effect relationships in content area texts Classifying main ideas and details in informational or explanatory texts 4 **Writing** Level 3 Student moving to Level 4 Student will move from a Level 3 (Developing) to a Level 4 (Expanding) in writing, by demonstrating mastery of the following Can Do Descriptors: Describing a series of events or procedures Creating stories with details about characters and events Relating details and illustrating stages of different cycles (e.g. frogs, plants) 23

 Describing strategies to solve problems 				
Teacher Comments: Quarter 1				
ESL Progress Report				
(year)				
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Student's Name: Grade: 2 nd - 3 rd Teacher:			<u>ESL</u>	
Teacher:				
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Identifying the main purpose of texts				
Writing	1	2	3	4
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