



As grades are crucial to students' postsecondary success, a group of teachers and school leaders met in spring 2024 to design a common grading policy for all classes at Intrinsic. This policy ensures that students and families have clarity on how grades are calculated and that expectations are consistent from class to class.

GRADING PHILOSOPHY

Our grading philosophy is based on the idea that each course should have specific objectives that students must master, and grades should reflect how well a student has mastered those objectives. We believe students should be given opportunities to revise and improve their work. Students are expected to do their best at all times; therefore, any revisions or retakes are allowed only after students have earned the opportunity.

REQUIREMENTS TO PASS A COURSE

- **Minimum Grade:** Students must receive a 70% or higher to pass a course. If a student receives a 69% or lower at the end of a semester, they will be required to attend summer school.
- **Required Assignments:** All courses may have required assignments critical to demonstrating mastery. A student must complete all required assignments to pass. If a student earns above a 70% but does not complete a required assignment, they will be required to attend summer school.
- **Pass/Fail Classes:** These require a 70% to pass, except for PS12, where 90% is required. Additional information on PS12 grading will be shared with senior families.

GRADE COMPOSITION

Category	Weight	Purpose	Examples	Revision Allowed
Summative Assessments	50%	Measure mastery of objectives, usually at the end of the unit	End of Unit Test Final Paper	Yes, within 10 days if requirement is met
Formative Assessments	30%	Provide feedback on what a student has and hasn't yet mastered <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Occur between summative assessments • Graded for accuracy 	Outline of a paper Draft of a paper Reading quiz Math practice problems	At teacher's discretion, within 10 days if requirements are met
Participation and Prep	20%	Provide background information or practice required for mastering objectives <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Checked for completion rather than accuracy • CANNOT be made up 	HomeworkiXL Khan practice	No

MISSING WORK

Students will have **10 instructional days** to complete missing assignments to raise their grade. If a student submits the assignment within the window, the teacher will grade the assignment for accuracy and subtract 10% from the final score.

REVISION POLICIES

Intrinsic's revision and retake policy offers students a significant opportunity to do their best in a way that is different from many high schools. Three beliefs guide our revision and missing work policies:

1. Mastery can take time, and we do not want to penalize students as they work toward mastering objectives.
2. Revision/retake is allowed only after more learning has occurred.
3. Our policy supports students in developing time management and organizational skills, thus assignments in preparation and prep cannot be made up.

Revisions/retakes must take place within 10 days of the original due date. The teacher determines what a student must do to retake or revise an assignment. Examples include:

- Attend and meet the expectations for participation in an Office Hour.
- Submit corrections on a test/quiz.
- Complete a reflection assignment designed by the teacher.

After a student completes a retake or revision, the highest grade received on an assignment is recorded as the final grade.

INTRINSIC SCHOOLS GRADING SCALE				
LETTER GRADE	PERCENTAGE %	UNWEIGHTED	HONORS	AP (includes Dual Enrollment/Credit)
A+	97 - 100	4.4	5.4	6.4
A	92 - 96	4.0	5.0	6.0
A-	90 - 91	3.7	4.7	5.7
B+	87 - 89	3.4	4.4	5.4
B	82 - 86	3.0	4.0	5.0
B-	80 - 81	2.7	3.7	4.7
C+	77 - 79	2.4	3.4	4.4
C	72 - 76	2.0	3.0	4.0
C-	70 - 71	1.7	2.7	3.7
F	0 - 69*	0	0	0

Note: D's are no longer part of the Intrinsic grading scale. Students must earn a 70% or better to pass.

ACCESSING GRADE INFORMATION

- **PowerSchool:** Ensure you have set up your account and can log in to check grades.
- **ParentSquare:** Bi-weekly progress reports are sent through ParentSquare and require a PowerSchool login.
 - Ensure your ParentSquare contact information is up to date.
- **Support:** If you need any support with ParentSquare or PowerSchool, please contact the main office.

Please reach out to your student's teacher or advisor if you have questions about the grading policy.