

# **Conyers Middle School**



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## **Conyers Middle School - Grading Policies**

#### **Grading Procedures and Guidelines**

Rockdale County Schools has adopted a "Standards-Based Grading" system which advocates that **every grade assigned to a student must be reflective of that student's mastery of a specified curriculum standard.** Keeping this framework in mind, the following procedures will be adhered to consistently across all grade levels and standards-based classes at Conyers Middle School.

## <u>Assessments</u>

- An "assessment" is any grade entered into the grade book that will be calculated into the achievement grade.
- An assessment must measure mastery of one or more curriculum standards.
- Students will be allowed to retake an assessment (according to the guidelines below).

#### Retakes

- Students will be allowed to demonstrate mastery by retaking an assessment up to two times.
- Grades for a retake will be entered in the grade book and will replace the previous attempts.
- Students will be allowed to retake an assessment up to ten school days following the original assessment.
- In order to take a reassessment, students will be expected to engage in re-learning tasks. These tasks
  may include making up missed work, completing a homework assignment, attending a tutorial, or other
  meaningful learning tasks. If the student does not complete the tasks, s/he may forfeit the opportunity for
  reassessment.

#### **Homework**

- Homework assignments are a critical part of student success and practice is necessary for standards mastery.
- Students will be assigned homework to reinforce classroom learning.
- Homework assignments that are evaluated to determine mastery of concepts and skills may be graded as an assessment and can count toward the achievement grade.
- Homework assignments that are graded for practice completion will be reflected in the Learner Behaviors and Work Habits rating.

### **Late Work**

- Teachers may assign consequences for late assignments. (e.g., silent lunch, detention)
- To ensure that the grades in the achievement portion of the grade book are only reflective of standards mastery, **points will not be deducted from an assessment due to lateness.**
- Teachers will keep the family portal (parent connect) updated regularly to reflect missing assignments and/or assessments.
- Teachers will accept missing work up to ten school days following the original due date. After that
  time, the grade may be recorded as a zero and the assignment may no longer be accepted. Teachers
  may require a written explanation from the student as to why the assignment is being submitted after the
  deadline.

I have read and understand the grading procedures and guidelines of Conyers Middle School.	
Parent/Guardian Signature	Student Signature

