

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Thank you so much for your patience and understanding as we have been adjusting, like you, to the drastic changes in life during these past weeks. We are particularly grateful for the effort we have seen from our Tri-County students as they experience and participate in the remote learning process.

Tri-County administration, with adherence to recent MA DESE guidelines, has developed a grading protocol for Trimester 3 (T3) to support the distance learning environment. Based on sensitivity to the present set of circumstances and their possible impact on our student's families, the system was designed to create incentives for learning, while at the same time, assuring that current grades are preserved. Working within these guidelines, core academic departments have developed a grading rubric for T3. The rubric is included in the grading details that follow. T3 elective courses will follow a different grading system and more details will be emailed from T3 elective teachers.

For T3, students in **core, full year academic courses**, will be assessed based on the percentage of remote learning assignments completed successfully. Successful completion of each assignment will be determined by the teacher, based on effort and completeness.

#### Calculation of PowerSchool Y1 Grades:

- $(T1 + T2) / 2 = Y1$  (an average of T1 and T2 will comprise the baseline Y1 grade)
- For T3, additional points will be added to the Y1 grade (per rubric below) for T3 work marked as collected in PowerSchool (successful completion, as noted above). Up to 10 points will be added to the Y1 grade for collected work, per rubric.

T3 Rubric	Y1 Adjusted Grade Scale	
<u>% T3 Work Collected = Points Added to Y1</u>	<u>Numeric</u>	<u>Alpha</u>
0% = 0	97-110	A+
1- 10% = 1	93-96	A
11- 19% = 2	90-92	A-
20- 29% = 3	87-89	B+
30- 39% = 4	83-86	B
40- 49% = 5	80-82	B-
50- 59% = 6	77-79	C+
60- 69% = 7	73-76	C
70- 79% = 8	70-72	C-
80- 89% = 9	65-69	D
90-100% = 10	</= 64	F

Please feel free to contact me if you have additional questions or concerns regarding the above grading guidelines.

Kind Regards,

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