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Dear Parents and Guardians,

We are striving to provide your students with the best possible educational experience. Remote learning instruction is focused on priority skills and content, and staff is providing flexibility in the ways students demonstrate their learning. Yet in a remote learning environment, there are many factors which impact a student's learning. We have found some students thoroughly enjoy learning on their own schedule, while other students miss the routines of a typical school environment.

Our grading policy has been revised to reflect the unique circumstances surrounding remote learning. This policy will go into effect beginning the week of April 27th through the end of the trimester. Below are important revisions to trimester 3 grading:

- ❖ During remote learning, we realize students may be dependent upon family members for access to technology and/or support. As a result, teachers allow 24 hours for assignments to be turned in. Teachers may use discretion to extend a due date or accept late/missing work based on a student's situation.
- ❖ During remote learning, the goal is for students to learn the skills/content and to demonstrate they have learned it. As a result, students may turn work in late AND receive an adjusted grade. Teachers may also provide feedback to students and allow them to revise their work and resubmit. This process supports our goal of using assessment to determine if students are learning what we are teaching.
- ❖ During remote learning, all assessments are weighted equally. There are no grading categories (primary, secondary, supportive).
- ❖ During remote learning, students in grades 1-6 will receive only supplemental grades. (See page 2 for more information.)
- ❖ During remote learning, trimester 3 final averages will be calculated as **"Pass"** or **"Incomplete"** in grades 1 through 6. To earn a trimester 3 grade of "Pass", a student's average must be 65 or higher.
- ❖ In grades 4-6, the Samuel Mickle Hornet Awards will continue:
 - ❖ Silver Hornet Award- Trimesters 1 & 2- A&B averages; Trimester 3- Pass
 - ❖ Golden Hornet Award- Trimesters 1 & 2- A averages; Trimester 3- Pass

Trimester 3 Grading

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Beginners & Special Areas	<p>M(aster), W(orking Towards), N(ot Meeting) will continue to be used. Beginners- Due to adjusted pacing, only the priority standards will be assessed.</p>
Grades 1-4	<p>Students will receive a weekly grade in each subject area.</p> <p><u>Meeting Expectations (Score of 100 in Realtime Parent Portal)</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Assignments complete; clear effort <p><u>Working Towards Expectations (Score of 80 in Realtime Parent Portal)</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Assignments attempted but some/parts may be incorrect, incomplete or require more detail <p><u>Not Meeting Expectations (Score of 50 in Realtime Parent Portal)</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Assignments mostly incomplete or incorrect; little effort <p><u>No Attempt to Complete (Score of 0 in Realtime Parent Portal)</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Assignment not attempted <p>Teachers will adjust a student's grade if the student revises work based on feedback, or if a missing assignment is turned in late.</p>
Grades 5-6	<p>*Trimester 3 grades entered in Realtime prior to the March 16th closure will remain, and they will be included in students' trimester 3 averages.</p> <p>*Trimester 3 grades entered in Realtime after March 16th are counted as supplemental assessments and will be included in students' trimester 3 averages.</p> <p>Grade 5- Teachers will continue with the weekly grading plan currently in use. Grade 6- Teachers will continue with the grading plan currently in use.</p> <p>* Teachers will adjust a student's grade if the student revises work based on feedback, or if a missing assignment is turned in late.</p>

The purpose of the revised grading plan is to provide every opportunity for our students to demonstrate their learning. Should you have any questions about the implementation of the trimester 3 grading policy, please reach out to your child's principal.

Sincerely,

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