

## SPENCERPORT HIGH SCHOOL



## ASSESSMENT AND GRADING COMMITMENTS

**OUR SCHOOL-WIDE COMMITMENTS** 

AS TEACHERS AND INSTRUCTIONAL LEADERS IN SPENCERPORT HIGH SCHOOL, WE UNDERSTAND THAT THE PURPOSE OF GRADING IS TO SERVE AS A METHOD OF MEASURING AND COMMUNICATING STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT OF, AND/OR TOWARD, A CONTENT STANDARD (LEARNING TARGET).

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Overview	<ul> <li>Grades are calculated as: 80% from Summative Assessments (SA) 20% from Independent Learning (formative assessments/tasks)</li> <li>Additional reporting about student performance may be provided via the "Ungraded" category</li> <li>Extra credit is not permitted</li> </ul>		
Summative Assessments (SA)	<ul> <li>Each course will have a minimum of 2 SA per quarter. The exact number will be communicated by the teacher prior to the start of each quarter. Date ranges within a quarter will be identified in 2024-25</li> <li>SA will be administered during class</li> <li>Students should be clear ahead of time about what learning targets are being assessed on a SA</li> <li>SA are essential to evaluating student understanding and must be completed</li> <li>A zero may only be assigned if a student (1) refuses to complete assessment in class, (2) prior contact with guardian has been made by teacher, and (3) admin has been involved</li> <li>If a student does not complete a SA, they will receive an INC for the SA, as well as an INC for the In-Progress Overall Average, and a Student Success (Learning) Plan will be established.</li> <li>SA grades will not entered within 5 days of the end of the quarter. SA given within the last 5 days of a quarter will be recorded in the following quarter</li> <li>If a student has an INC at the end of the quarter, the quarter grade can be updated at a later time if deemed necessary on the Student Success Plan. This includes if a SA is given and a student has not had the opportunity to take a retake prior to the end of the quarter</li> </ul>		
Incompletes and Retakes	<ul> <li>A Student Success Plan may be established for an incomplete SA</li> <li>Retake Request Forms or Student Success Plans can be used for retakes</li> <li>Incomplete SA may be administered in class if requested by a student or teacher, and student would be expected to make up any missed learning</li> <li>Retakes will not be an identical assessment, nor will they be test corrections, but an accurate reflection of a student's knowledge. This timeline will be established according to department policy</li> <li>Retakes may be administered in class or students may be asked to see the teacher or use the testing room during a study hall, see the teacher during advisement or after school, or attend Academic Workshop</li> <li>All students have the opportunity to retake and earn full credit</li> </ul>		
Independent Learning Activities	<ul> <li>Independently completed formative assessments and learning tasks that prepare students for SA</li> <li>Will be accepted at least up to the date of the aligned SA they prepare students for, or longer according to department policy</li> <li>Some tasks be may deemed 'formal' (graded and recorded in gradebook); and some tasks may be deemed 'informal' (ungraded and may or may not be recorded in gradebook)</li> <li>May include homework, but not required. If given, homework will be personalized, meaningful, aligned to the curriculum and to the 6-12 District Homework Protocols. It will have minimal to no impact on a student's overall grade, and may be recorded in the independent learning or ungraded category</li> <li>Retakes and revisions may be submitted according to department policy</li> <li>"Missing" will be entered into the gradebook if not completed, which will calculate as a "0" in average</li> </ul>		

• A teacher may exempt a student from an independent learning activity based on the student's performance

on a similar formative assessment or task or the aligned SA

## **HEALTH DEPARTMENT COMMITMENTS**

Incompletes	<ul> <li>Once a quarter Incomplete is issued students have 2 weeks into the following quarter to rectify. If not rectified the missing assignment that led to the Incommplete turns into a 0 %</li> </ul>
Retakes	<ul> <li>All summative assessments can be retaken during the quarter in which they were given</li> <li>If any independent learning tasks are missing or the student scores below a 50% on any independent learning tasks leading up to the summative assessment the student will not be able to complete the retake until they have successfully completed the independent learning tasks</li> <li>Students are able to retake both independent learning tasks and summative assessments</li> <li>Students must meet with teacher to review their assessment and develop a Student Success Plan to be able to complete a retake</li> <li>One retake opportunity will be given for summative assessments and independent learning tasks once the requirements for the plan have been met</li> <li>Unique retake situations may be accommodated on a case-by-case basis</li> </ul>
Homework	<ul> <li>Homework may be assigned as an opportunity for extra practice</li> <li>Homework will not be graded</li> </ul>
Latework	<ul> <li>Independent Learning assignments and Summative Assessments are due no later than 2 weeks after the posted due date.</li> <li>A Zero may be recorded in infinite campus if the assignment is not turned in on time.</li> <li>Any exceptions will result in a learning plan or agreement between teacher and student.</li> </ul>

## **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

Academic Dishonesty	<ul> <li>Academic dishonesty will be addressed restoratively related to assessment practices via the Academic Dishonesty Menu available in Schoology and a referral will be written for documentation</li> <li>A student will not receive a zero for "cheating"</li> <li>A student will be given an opportunity to demonstrate their knowledge</li> <li>A student will be held accountable for academic dishonesty through the student discipline process when a pattern of offenses has been demonstrated</li> </ul>
Attendance	Significant attendance issues, as defined by building admin, may warrant a No Grade (NG)
Local and Regents Courses	<ul> <li>Regents grades are stand-alone grades not used to calculate grades for students</li> <li>Local final assessments will be used as part of the final quarter grade or as a stand-alone grade not used to compute the final average for the course</li> </ul>
Most Recent Evidence of Learning (Knowledge/ Skills)	<ul> <li>Teachers always have the professional discretion to override a final course grade based on evidence of student learning (ie: Summative assessments/Regents exams) if it is an indication a student has improved their knowledge/skills throughout the year</li> </ul>