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Nacogdoches Independent School District Instructional, Grading, and Reporting Procedures & Curriculum and Instruction

State and Local Curriculum

State Curriculum

Curriculum content is prescribed by the Texas Education Agency through the Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills (TEKS). Local instructional plans are based upon this State curriculum framework and state recommended program standards. Curriculum content is not prescribed in detail by the Texas Education Agency but provides a framework to draw upon for the development of local curriculum.

Local Curriculum (EIA Local)

The district shall determine instructional objectives that relate to the TEKS for grade level subjects or courses. These objectives shall address the skills needed for successful performance in the next grade or next course in a sequence of courses. Curriculum consists of the defined scope and sequence of instruction, the instructional objectives for student mastery, the materials used (including textbooks and technology resources), the instructional strategies designed to promote student learning, and the assessment practices used to evaluate that learning. Each elementary school maintains a balanced curriculum, including Language Arts, Reading, Science, Mathematics, Social Studies, Fine Arts, and Physical Education.

NISD Curriculum

The district has the responsibility for developing a curriculum map to align curricula PK-12 district-wide and a timeline of critical objectives for each six- weeks in each subject. Additionally, the district is responsible for regularly reviewing and revising curriculum to reflect real-world needs, depth and complexity, rigor and relevance, and for meeting the needs of all students.

All Nacogdoches Independent School District curriculum guides are correlated to the TEKS to ensure coverage of the essential skills and concepts of each course. District curriculum guides have been written to facilitate classroom instruction. NISD Curriculum Guides have been developed using TEKS Resource by professional teachers in coordination with the NISD Department of Instruction. These guides have been developed for each course or subject and are updated as needed. The development, alignment, revision, and review of District curriculum is carried out under the direction of The Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction with a team of Teacher-Facilitators. Directions for the implementation of the curricula are outlined in District curriculum documents.

Scope and Sequence of Instruction

The scope of the objectives under the curriculum documents using TEKS Resource to create lessons to reflect the TEKS and cannot be waived, altered, or portions eliminated.

Instructional Materials

State-adopted textbooks and electronic media serve as one instructional resource to meet course and curriculum objectives. In Texas, textbooks and electronic media are currently provided by the state from an approved list. District-adopted textbooks are selected through a formal committee process. (See 19 TAC 66.104 and District Policy EFAA Local). Requests to select alternate textbooks or systems must be based upon analysis of alternate resources and student performance data and must follow the applicable textbook waiver process. Instructional materials are selected by the district, campus or individual teachers to meet the needs of students.

Instructional Practices

Instructional strategies and practices to ensure student success are based upon campus and teacher analysis of student needs, effective teaching practices, student learning styles, and demonstrated success through the assessment

process. Student academic achievement shall be based on the degree of mastery of the district's instructional objectives as outlined in the curriculum for each subject. The objectives reflect the Texas Education Agency TEKS and address the skills and concepts needed for successful performance. Assignments, tests, projects, classroom activities, and other instructional activities shall be designed so that the student's performance indicates the level of mastery of the designated TEKS. The student's mastery level shall be a major factor in determining the grade for a subject or course. (See District Policy EIA Local) Achievement grades are determined from a wide variety of information, which could include student performance on daily assignments, tests, and/or special projects. The information used in grading should be appropriate to the grade level and subject being considered. Prior to instruction, students should be informed of the class or course expectations, and the teacher must be prepared to document and explain how grades are determined.

Academic Achievement: Retention and Promotion

Curriculum Mastery

Promotion/Grade-level advancement shall be based on mastery of the curriculum. Expectations and standards for promotion shall be established for each grade level, content area, and course, and shall be coordinated with compensatory/accelerated services. [See District Policy EHBC]

Standards for Mastery

Mastery shall be determined as follows:

1. Course assignments and unit evaluation are given to determine student grades in a subject. An average of 70 or higher is considered a passing grade.
2. Mastery of the skills necessary for success at the next level is validated by assessments that may either be incorporated into unit, six-week, and final exams, or may be administered separately. Mastery of at least 70 percent of the objectives is required.

Grades 1-2 Promotion

In grades 1–2, promotion to the next grade level shall be based on the following:

1. An overall average of 70 or above for language arts, reading, mathematics, science, and social studies
2. A grade of 70 or above in language arts
3. A grade of 70 or above in mathematics
4. A grade of 70 or above in reading, along with a demonstration of reading no more than two levels below the Board-adopted reading standard that is published in the elementary-level grading procedures.

Grades 3-5 Promotion

In grades 3–5, promotion to the next grade level shall be based on the following:

1. An overall average of 70 or above for language arts, reading, mathematics, science, and social studies
2. An overall average of 70 or above in ELAR (language arts & reading)
3. A grade of 70 or above in mathematics.

Grade 5

If a student fails to demonstrate proficiency on a state-mandated assessment, the student shall be provided accelerated instruction in accordance with state law. Additionally, students in grades 5 shall be subject to all provisions of GRADE ADVANCEMENT TESTING

Required Attendance

In accordance with state law, the student must have ninety percent (90%) attendance.

Official Grade Reports

Progress Reports

The purpose of the progress report is to inform students, parents/guardians, and campus administrators regarding student progress in academics and conduct.

1. Interim progress reports shall be issued for all students after the third week of each grading period.
2. It is the student's responsibility to deliver the progress report to the parent/guardian.
3. It is recommended that the progress report is signed and returned by the parent/guardian, indicating he/she has seen the progress report.
4. If a student's grade falls below 70 after the third week of a six-week grading period, the teacher will attempt to contact the parent/guardian by phone or in writing.
5. Teachers should maintain a telephone or electronic log of contacts and attempted contacts with parents/guardians.

Report Cards

The report card is a communication tool for parents/guardians and students. Report cards provide information regarding academic progress, student conduct, and absences.

1. Report cards are computer generated.
2. All elementary school students will receive a report card at the end of each six-week grading period.
3. It is the student's responsibility to deliver the report card to the parent/guardian.
4. It is recommended that the report card is signed and returned by the parent/guardian, indicating he/she has seen the report card.

Online Records—Home Access Center (HAC)

1. Parents/guardians may also access student progress information through the Home Access Center.
2. The Home Access Center displays individual assignment grades in the teacher gradebook (if applicable).
3. Teachers will update grades weekly in the Home Access Center portal to keep students and parents informed of ongoing progress.
4. Parents/guardians should contact the school regarding access information.

Academic Grading Scales

Grades 1-5

The District will report six-week averages to parents/guardians as numerical scores.

The following relates the numerical scores and letter grades used for reporting all academic progress:

90-100	A	Excellent Progress
80-89	B	Satisfactory Progress
70-79	C	Average Progress
69 and below	F	Failure

Extra credit grade cannot raise the student's grade higher than 100.

Academic Integrity

Academic integrity is a fundamental value of teaching and learning. NISD has the primary responsibility for protecting and promoting the highest standards of academic integrity. Both students and faculty thrive in an atmosphere where academic work proves challenging and relevant.

Academic Dishonesty

Academic Dishonesty as addressed in the Nacogdoches ISD Policy (EIA):

Students found to have engaged in academic dishonesty shall be subject to academic and disciplinary penalties in accordance with the Student Code of Conduct. Academic dishonesty includes cheating or copying the work of another student, plagiarism, and unauthorized communication between students during an examination. The determination that a student has engaged in academic dishonesty shall be based on the judgment of the classroom teacher or another supervising professional employee, taking into consideration written materials, observation, or information from students.

Behaviors defined as cheating:

Cheating includes, but is not limited to, the following:

- Giving or receiving information, looking on someone else's work, or allowing someone else to see one's work during an exam, test or quiz.
- Unauthorized receipt or distribution of exam, test or quiz contents, materials, or answer key.
- Use of unauthorized resources such as notes during an exam.
- Taking an exam, producing a project, paper or assignment for another student or asking someone to take an exam or produce a project, paper or assignment for an individual.
- Copying work assigned to be done independently or letting others copy one's work.

Behaviors defined as plagiarism:

Plagiarism includes, but is not limited to, the following:

- Any misrepresentation of another's work as one's own, including the copying of sentences, phrases, images, entire essays, passages from an undocumented source, musical scores, and other similar works.

Grading Roles and Responsibilities

Student

1. Complete assigned work on time and return it to the teacher.
2. Plan to schedule work on long-term assignments so assignments will be completed on time.
3. Initiate communication with the teacher when the student does not understand the assignment or if he/she is experiencing difficulty.
4. Complete all assignments within the time limits given by the teacher or be subject to appropriate late work guidelines.
5. Evaluate his/her own work for accuracy and seek clarification as needed from the teacher.
6. Maintain academic integrity and honesty. Academic dishonesty may result in academic and disciplinary penalties (see **Academic Dishonesty**).
7. Students participating in extracurricular activities have met grade eligibility requirements for participation.

Parent/Guardian

1. Establish a specific time, place and manner for schoolwork to be completed.
2. Provide the supplies and materials necessary to complete homework.
3. Monitor as needed; however, do not do homework for the student.
4. Assist student in planning a time schedule for long-term assignments.
5. Initiate communication with the teacher as soon as concerns arise.

Campus

1. Each campus and/or department will adhere to the late work guidelines as established by Nacogdoches ISD policies, procedures, and guidelines.
2. Each campus will design and designate exam schedules as needed.
3. Campus administration shall address issues surrounding the calculation of grades for the purpose of regaining UIL eligibility at the three-week grade checks.

Teacher

1. Teachers are required to post the content & language objectives for each class.
2. Teachers are responsible for entering the grades in the gradebook.
3. Peer grading is allowable.
4. All records of grades and assessments become a part of the confidential record for the assessment of student performance.
5. Teachers will inform students of content covered on all major assessments.
6. Teachers shall not increase or decrease a classroom grade for participation or lack of participation in any extracurricular activity (i.e. academic UIL, etc.). (See District Policy EIA Local)
7. Teachers must follow the NISD Elementary School Grading Procedures and ask for clarification from campus administration or department chairs as needed.

Teacher Records/Gradebook

Grade records are an important record-keeping tool and should be accurately maintained. Teachers should be aware that many times grades will need to be verified; therefore, accurate record keeping is essential. All teachers will maintain the district-provided electronic gradebook.

1. Grades recorded in a gradebook are documentation of a student's progress and of mastery of the TEKS and curriculum objectives.
2. Grades recorded in a gradebook represent a confidential record for assessment of student performance.
3. The set of grades indicated in the gradebook shall be the complete set from which the student's average is determined.
4. The electronic gradebook must adhere to the calculations outlined in the NISD Elementary Grading Procedures.
5. Only the teacher of record (or principal designee) will enter grades in the gradebook.
6. Teachers will update electronic gradebooks on a weekly basis.

Return of Assignments

Teachers should review and return all graded work to students within a time frame that will benefit the student. Daily work should be returned within two to four scheduled class days. Larger projects should be reviewed and returned on a timely basis (within one week if feasible). This will allow the student to identify any areas of weakness and arrange for tutorials or extra study sessions prior to assessment.

Lesson Plans

The purpose of a lesson plan is to provide a written document outlining daily objectives and activities for instruction. The lesson plan may include state, district, and campus objectives reflecting required TEKS.

1. All teachers are required to prepare weekly lesson plans to assist with planning instruction.
2. Lesson plans should be turned in on a scheduled basis. This schedule will be established on each campus. A district-wide form is provided; however, individual campuses may create their own form.

Parent/Guardian-Teacher Conferences

1. A teacher will schedule one or more conference(s) with the parent(s)/guardian(s) of a student if the student is not maintaining passing grades, is not achieving the expected level of performance, is presenting some problem to the teacher, or in any other case that the teacher considers necessary. This conference may be requested by indicating so on the three-week progress report. Such conferences may be handled by telephone, in person, or via written communication.
2. The State and District require each school to notify parents/guardians of the need for a conference at the six weeks grading period if the grade is below the level required for grade level advancement.

Types of Assessments

General

Student mastery of course objectives may be assessed in a variety of ways. It is not necessary for all grades to have as their source written paper work nor is it always necessary to receive a grade for every paper produced. Although the teacher should always monitor and provide feedback to students for any activity that he/she assigns, the feedback does not always need to be in the form of a grade. Assessments should always follow a period of guided practice and/or independent practice.

In grading a group project, members of a group should not be penalized for an individual's non-participation. Conversely, a student who does not fully participate will receive a grade reflective of his/her participation.

Performance assessments are measures of a student's progress toward mastery of course objectives or content. There are many forms of assessment that may or may not be utilized by individual teachers. Types of performance assessments include, but are not limited to:

- classroom participation
- classroom discussions
- oral responses
- written responses
- homework assignments
- experiments
- teacher observation
- research project
- checklists of skills
- portfolios
- enrichment
- group work/projects
- independent or group reading
- lab reports

Performance-Based Courses

Performance-based courses may have assignments that differ significantly from other academic courses. Performance-based courses include courses within the following departments: Fine Arts & Physical Education.

In many performance-based courses, the grading and assignments must reflect the TEKS and a measure of the student's performance. In performance-based courses, a higher percentage of the grade may come from participation.

Teachers of performance-based courses should work with the program-area coordinator/director to ensure that their grading system is in compliance with NISD Elementary Grading Procedures and the expectations and guidelines of the program area.

Major Grades

All major grades measure performance based on the TEKS or content. They serve to evaluate the mastery of the TEKS, concepts, understandings, and district objectives while providing opportunities to demonstrate certain knowledge or skills.

Tests/Examinations

Tests and examinations measure performance based on the TEKS or content. They serve to evaluate mastery of the TEKS, concepts, understandings, and district objectives, and provide opportunities to demonstrate certain knowledge or skills.

1. Tests/Examinations are assessments designed to measure a student's successful attainment of the TEKS as expressed in the NISD curriculum.

2. Major examinations or tests are chapter, unit, concept, or cumulative assessments.

Common Assessments

1. Common assessments are administered in all core content classes. These assessments are district-developed.
2. Common assessments may not be substituted with previous assignments or an average of past performance assessments.

Performance Assessments

1. Performance assessments will reflect real-world tasks related to instructional objectives.
2. This type of assessment often requires analyzing a task, developing a plan of action, gathering information, selecting the relevant information, and presenting appropriate information.
3. The method of presentation/product should be designed by the teacher based on the subject area and content objectives.
4. A rubric may be provided to the student prior to the beginning of the assignment.

Special Projects/Major Essays

1. Major essays or projects are lengthy classwork or homework assignments that may take up to several weeks for a student or group of students to complete.
2. A rubric may be provided to the student prior to the beginning of the assignment.
3. Penalty for late projects will be the same as for all other late work. The teacher will accept all late papers/projects turned in up to two weeks after the due date for feedback purposes only. After two weeks, the teacher is under no obligation to read or comment upon late papers/projects.

Daily Grades

Daily Work

Classwork is any instructional activity defined/planned by the teacher to be completed during a class period to facilitate the learning process. There could be occasions where classwork becomes homework.

Homework

Homework is a necessary part of the instructional process that begins in the classroom, extends into the home, and provides a way for parents/guardians to become aware of the instructional program and their child's educational program.

Homework and classwork provide opportunities for students to apply knowledge, skills, and processes from previous learning to display their understanding. Homework and classwork should be considered extended learning opportunities for students to show mastery of concepts taught.

Homework should never be assigned as a disciplinary measure, but should be used to enrich and strengthen classroom experiences.

1. Sufficient explanation must be given so that students know what they are to do, understand how to do it, realize why they are doing it, and are motivated to complete the assignment.
2. Homework must be evaluated in an appropriate manner by the teacher, but it should not be recorded and placed as a grade in the gradebook.
3. A majority of K-2 students should be able to complete homework within 30 minutes and grades 3-5 within 60 minutes per night.
4. Additional homework practice should be agreed upon by both the teacher and parent.

Quizzes

Quizzes are short assessments, intended to take no more than a class period to complete and designed to evaluate a student's level of understanding and progress of instructional objectives. Quizzes do not have to be scheduled in advance.

Extra Credit

1. All extra credit is to be academic.
2. If extra credit is offered, it must be offered to all students in the class.
3. Extra credit will not cause an excessive financial burden on the student or be given for donating basic school supplies.
4. Extra credit awarded will not account for more than 5% of the six-week average.
5. Extra credit grade cannot raise the student's grade higher than 100.

Conduct Grading

The student is assessed on conduct by each teacher. The conduct grade indicates how well the student is performing in classroom citizenship. Conduct marks may affect eligibility for participation in school activities; poor conduct interferes with a student's ability to learn in class. Teachers are required to record one conduct grade per week.

Calculation of Six Week Average

Weight of Grades

All six-week averages shall be calculated on a percentage system for each type (category) of assignment.

Major Grades

Major grades will comprise (50%) of the six-week average in all elementary classes.

Major grades include: Performance Assessments, Examinations/Tests, Projects, Major Essays, Common Assessments, and other similar assignments.

Daily Grades

Daily grades will comprise (50%) of the six-week average in all elementary classes.

Daily grades include: classwork, quizzes, labs, and other similar assignments.

Reading/Writing Across the Curriculum

Current research indicates that focusing reading assignments across the content areas improves students' skills in navigating effectively through nonfiction works (textbooks, primary sources, math problems, etc.). All teachers are responsible for helping students master the content of a particular course and for making content-specific reading a more meaningful, valuable, and enduring learning experience.

Minimum/Maximum Number of Grades

Teachers are encouraged to provide a sufficient number of grades to allow multiple opportunities for students to demonstrate mastery of the TEKS.

Teachers are required to take a minimum of one daily grade per week beginning the first full week of school, not to exceed 12 daily grades (maximum) per 6 weeks.

In addition, teachers must take a minimum of three (3) major grades per six-week grading period. The exception is the first 6 weeks when only 2 major grades are required.

Minimum/Maximum Grade Reported

The actual grade received on any assignment and for the six week average will be recorded in the teacher gradebook.

The actual grade earned on any assignment may exceed 100%; however, the calculated average on a progress report and/or report card may not exceed 100%.

Incomplete Grades

A student receiving an incomplete and/or a zero for a missed assessment has two (2) weeks to convert the incomplete grade to an earned grade.

In unusual cases, where the student has missed a large quantity of work, the time may be extended.

In all cases, the teacher must communicate to the student the nature of the outstanding work and the time limitation for completing the work (UIL required)

Calculation of Semester Average

All elementary courses will calculate and report a semester average. Calculated averages reported on progress reports or report cards may not exceed 100%. Grades recorded in a gradebook represent a confidential record for assessment of student performance.

Elementary Courses

The semester average will be the average of the three six-week grading periods.

1st Six-Week Average: 33.33%
2nd Six-Week Average: 33.33%
3rd Six-Week Average: 33.33%

4th Six-Week Average: 33.33%
5th Six-Week Average: 33.33%
6th Six-Week Average: 33.33%

Calculation of Year-long Average

Elementary School Courses

Elementary School courses will calculate a year-long average. This year-long average (with required attendance) will determine credit for retention and promotion. The average will be determined using the semester averages.

1st Semester Average: 50%

2nd Semester Average: 50%

Transcript Recording from Non-NISD Schools (For Administrative Office Use Only)

For semester transfer grades the following letter grade conversion table will be implemented.

A+ 99	B+ 89	C+ 79	
A 95	B 85	C 75	F 69 and below
A- 92	B- 82	C- 72	

Reteach and Retest/Reassess for Mastery

Mastery of Texas Essential Knowledge and Skill

Nacogdoches ISD has provided a well-balanced curriculum based on state prescribed Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills (TEKS). Students who participate in this curriculum will have the opportunity to master the knowledge, skills and competencies established by the district curriculum and the state standards.

Nacogdoches ISD will utilize ongoing mastery assessment to determine which students are in need of remediation (re-teaching) and acceleration. The use of common assessments, teacher-made tests, performance assessments, and teacher observations will help determine which students are not mastering instructional objectives.

Required Reteach

If 30% or more of the students in a single preparation per teacher do not demonstrate mastery of the TEKS on a classroom test, the teacher will provide the opportunity for reteaching and retesting. These opportunities will be provided during class time using different methods of instruction.

Required Retest/Reassess for Mastery

The 30% or more of the students who do not demonstrate mastery are re-evaluated after they are retaught or after activities are provided. Re-evaluation may include, but is not limited to, oral examination, special assignment sheets, special homework assignments, test corrections or a formal test.

A student must score at least 70% on the re-evaluation to demonstrate mastery of the Texas Essential Knowledge Skills (TEKS). A grade of 70 is the maximum that can be earned on the re-evaluation and is recorded to designate that mastery. If a student fails to demonstrate mastery on the re-evaluation of the TEKS, the higher of the two grades will be recorded.

Other Opportunities for Reteach and Retest/Reassess

If less than 30% of all the students in a single preparation per teacher do not demonstrate mastery, the teacher is not obligated to reteach and retest during class time.

In the event of unusual circumstances, an individual student can ask for the opportunity for reteaching and retesting. This request can be evaluated by a committee of the teacher, department head, and curriculum principal. In case of disputes, the final decision rests with the principal. The request for retesting should be made within one (1) week after the test has been returned.

Late Work

Late work is defined as work done in the classroom and not turned in on time. Late work is graded in the same manner in all classes at the elementary level. The table below shows the percent of the earned grade that a student will be awarded for late work:

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Days Late	Maximum Grade	Example(s)
1 day	85	Actual Grade 85 to 100 Given Grade 85
2 days	75	Actual Grade 75 to 100 Given Grade 75
3-5 days	65	Actual Grade 65 to 100 Grade Given 65
After 5 days	No credit given	Grade of zero (0)

Make-up Work

In order to provide the total assessment "picture" of a student's academic progress for a course, any student missing classroom instruction should be given the opportunity to make up the missing assigned work. This will ensure instructional continuity and place importance upon consistent attendance and daily study.

Make-up Work Guidelines

1. Make-up work is available to all students. Students are responsible for asking teachers for the make-up work upon returning to class. Students shall receive credit for satisfactory make-up work, including tests, after an absence, but may receive a zero for any make-up work, including tests, not made up within the allotted time. Any assignment not turned in within the allotted time falls within the late work guidelines.
2. Exceptions may be granted by the administration in extenuating circumstances.
3. The number of days allowed for make-up work to be completed for full credit will be equal to the number of times a class was missed.
4. On the day of returning to school, a student should not be required to take a quiz or test that was announced during his/her absence.
5. Make-up work, including tests, may be of an altered version to assess what the student has learned.
6. Teachers may assign alternate work to assure that students who have been absent have sufficient opportunity to master the TEKS or to meet subject or course requirements. The assignments shall be based on the instructional objectives for the subject or course and may provide greater depth of subject matter than routine make-up work.

Unexcused Absence

A note signed by the parent/guardian showing the dates and reason for the absence is to be submitted within three (3) days after the student returns to class. If this note is not sent within the allocated three (3) days, the absence will be unexcused. A student with an unexcused absence may make up all work missed for full credit.

Suspension

A student suspended from his /her regular classes is to request make-up work when he/she returns to school.