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GRADING SYSTEMS

The Evansville Community School District shall evaluate student achievement in grades one through twelve. Evaluating student academic performance by issuing grades on a regular basis promotes a process of continuous evaluation of student performance and communicates student achievement and progress to the student and his/her family.

Specific grading systems shall be developed at all grade levels, under the direction of the building principal. The building principal is charged with overseeing the regular evaluation of student achievement and progress, and with regular reporting of such progress to students and their families. Specifically,

- Consistent grading systems that are grade level appropriate shall be used to indicate student progress. Complete definitions of these will be explained in the school handbook and will be reviewed annually by administration and staff;
- Academic grades will measure achievement and be used as a means of reporting performance relative to established curriculum targets;
- Student attendance is important to student progress and can affect achievement; however, academic grades or credit in a course cannot be determined by attendance;
- Student disciplinary proceedings are subject to due process considerations and are not applicable to academic decision-making.

The responsibility for assigning grades for a course or subject rests with the classroom teacher. The teacher's determined evaluation shall be final unless, upon administrative review, substantial error is discovered in the procedures used to determine the grade.

Decisions concerning grade placement and promotion are in accordance with all District policies and procedures; and consistent maintenance of student records will occur to assist in providing appropriate educational services and regular communication.

The District shall not discriminate in the methods, practices, and materials used for evaluating students on any basis prohibited by law.

Legal Ref.: Sections 118.13 Wisconsin Statutes (Pupil Discrimination Prohibited)
120.12(2) (School Board Duties)
PI (.03(1), Wisconsin Administrative Code

Local Ref.: Policy #345.1 – Grading Systems
Policy #345.2 – Progress Reports to Parents
Policy #345.4 – Promotion of Students from 4th to 5th and 8th to 9th Grade
Policy #346 – Testing Programs
Policy #411.1 – Student Nondiscrimination/Harassment
Policy #411.1 Form – Discrimination or Harassment Complaint Form