

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ON COMMUNICATING WITH TEACHERS

When a student's grade(s) is of concern for a parent we ask that you follow these steps:

1. Talk with your child first. Ask them what the situation is with their grade(s).
2. Read the grading philosophy of the teacher. This may answer the question of why the student has received the grade or explain how the assignments add up to the current average. You can find each teachers' grading philosophy at the top of the Class Score Detail pages (clicking on the students' class average in the Grades and Attendance page will take you there).
3. Check to see if there is an assignment description. In the Class Score Detail page if the assignment is listed in blue it will have more information about the assignment. This may help you in understanding what was involved or expected for a particular assignment.
4. Check the date of the assignment. An assignment handed in late may receive deductions from its score. Also, as stated previously, early in the quarter, overall grades can fluctuate dramatically because of the lack of assignments in the grade book.
5. In trying to clarify a class average see if there are any missing or late assignments that could be affecting the overall grade average.
6. At anytime you can email a teacher for clarification about grades, but the above-mentioned steps may answer some of your questions or concerns. If they don't, click on the teachers name to send an email and they will be happy to reply and help clarify the situation.