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GRADE CONVERSION OF LETTER GRADES TO NUMERIC GRADES

The State Board of Education required numeric recording of grades with the adoption of the ten-point grading scale. These numeric grades are then entered in Powerschool and converted into a student's GPA.

There are times when the school district must enter historical grades representing courses not taught in NC public schools. These courses may be from sources such as community colleges, colleges/universities, home schools, and private schools. If these courses are recorded with a numeric grade, school districts will use that grade to enter into Powerschool. However, some of these courses are only recorded with letter grades. This has prompted NCDPI to develop a conversion chart for implementation in the 2015-16 academic year.

NCDPI recommends that school districts use the following conversion chart for courses taught outside of NC school districts.

| Letter Grade | | Numeric Grade Conversion |
|--------------|---|--------------------------|
| A, A+, A- | = | 95 |
| B, B+, B- | = | 85 |
| C, C+, C- | = | 75 |
| D, D+, D- | = | 65 |
| F | = | 55 |

If a student/family has evidence of the numeric grade earned in the course, even though it is not officially recorded, the school district or principal is encouraged to use the most accurate numeric grade available for recording.

Please contact me by email at sneha.shahcoltrane@dpi.nc.gov with questions regarding the policy. For technical issues, please contact the Homebase Support Center at homebase.incidents@its.nc.gov.

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