York High School

A focused approach to excellence 2022-2023





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Work Plan

~~Equity and Inclusion~~

How can we ensure that ALL students learn and grow?

Student Engagement

How can we help ALL students feel a sense of purpose and belonging both **in** and **out** of the classroom?

Student Empowerment & Learning

How can we be more responsive and effective in our feedback and assessment practices for ALL students?



GRADING AND ASSESSMENT





What is the purpose of grades?

- Grades= Feedback to improve performance; Communication
- High levels of success and low failure rates = sound practices
- Low levels of success and high failure rates= current practice not working
- The "Real Word" is not "you don't have one chance at it and you are done"
- Grades should never be used as punishment..it doesn't work.



Rationale

A focus on student <u>learning</u>...

- When failure is OK, we promote <u>low expectations</u> for our students.
- Our job is to educate our students, not to sort students.
- Re-takes promote grit, perseverance, self-advocacy and problem solving skills.
- What high stakes exam in the real world does not allow retakes?
- Coaching analogy



- Grading Scale
 - Passing Grades
 - 100%-90% = A
 - 89%-80% = B
 - 79%-70% = C
 - 69%-60% = D
 - Passing (P) = Students have shown evidence of learning (only eligible to Non-graduation requirements and must be declared in the first weeks of the class per school policy)



- Non-Passing Grades
 - 59%-50% = F
 - Incomplete (I) = Students have not shown enough evidence throughout a given amount of time to determine a letter grade
 - Conditional Incomplete (X) = Students have not shown enough
 evidence throughout a given amount of time to determine a letter grade
 but may continue to the next semester without making up any work
 - No Credit (NC)
- No scores assigned below 50%
- Percentages calculated to the whole number; no decimals.



- Grade Breakdown
 - At least 90% Summative
 - Up to 10% Formative
 - Summatives = Tests, papers, projects, or performance tasks.
 - Formatives = Practice, quizzes, classwork, etc.
 - Completion and participation may not be used to calculate the grade but may be represented in the gradebook.
 - Final Exams and Projects should be factored into Summative Category



- Demonstration of Relearning
 - Students will have the opportunity to redo/retake anything counting towards the summative grade at least once. These may be specific to a part of the assignment or skill; retakes/redos do not need to be complete retakes of whole assignments.
 - Relearning/corrections should be expected prior to students having the opportunity to redo/retake an assessment.
 - The highest score stands and there will be no penalty for demonstrating learning after the initial assessment.



- Reporting
 - Grades will be updated (Formative or Summative) at least every
 2 weeks.
 - Assignments that are missing or not completed yet will be marked as M in the gradebook and have no weight.
 - After 3 weeks, M grades may be converted to NE (No Evidence)
 which carries a weight of 50%.

MISC

- Extra credit will not be given.
- The only grades given will be: A, B, C, D, F, I, X(Conditionαl Incomplete), P



ACADEMIC SUPPORTS FOR STUDENTS





Freshman Orientation and Guidance (FOG)

- Held during the first eleven weeks of a York Duke's high school career.
- Each freshman attends FOG class twice weekly in a small group setting with their assigned counselor.
- The curriculum taught covers and teaches the most important topics and success skills essential for high school: Transcripts, GPA, Course Planning, Post-Secondary Exploration, Social Decision Making, Getting Involved, School Resources and Relationship Building.
- Freshman Mentors are sophomore, junior and senior students who meet with their assigned FOG small groups to teach complementary lessons to their freshman students.



ASSESSMENT AND RELEARNIG





Assessment & Relearning

Day 1	Day 2
Period 4	Period 5
7:40 - 8:55	7:40 - 8:55
Period 3	Period 7
9:00 - 10:15	9:00 - 10:15
Period 2	Period 8
10:20 - 11:35	10:20 - 11:35
Period 1	Period 6
11:40 - 12:55	11:40 - 12:55



Assessment & Relearning

- In the week(s) leading up to A&R:
 - Teachers and Students will have conversations
 - Plans will be developed for students to show growth or mastery
- In the days leading up to A&R:
 - Students will continue to build their skills
 - Teachers will offer support & feedback to students
 - Work from the plans will be graded
- On A&R days:
 - The final chance for student to demonstrate mastery according to the plan



STUDENT INVOLVEMENT



