

Dear Parents,

As the end of the 2019-2020 school year is quickly approaching, we wanted to reach out to thank you for your partnership in adapting, supporting, and working alongside our staff in an effort to sustain and provide academic learning for your child(ren). We know the challenges we faced together during this time in education has changed the way we had to teach, learn, assess and parent. Leo Buscaglia wrote, "Change is the end result of all true learning."

One of the major shifts is how we will be assessing students; thereby, resulting in a need to modify the traditional grading system for the 4th quarter. Our emphasis throughout the remote learning process has focused on providing your child(ren) with essential learning standards through assignments and redo's to allow them to learn new concepts in preparation for the next grade level. The coding system for the 4th quarter will still use the RLC (remote learning complete). This code reflects that the work completed by your student(s) demonstrated understanding of the content. Students receiving an RLI (remote learning incomplete), represents that your child did not provide sufficient information/work to evaluate their academic performance in that subject area. Please note the guidelines listed below in #1 through #3 as they relate to the code of RLI (Remote Learning Incomplete).

The following guidelines apply to RLI 4th quarter grading:

1. *If the course is in the area of English, math, science or social studies and the student earned an **A - D** for quarter 3, the student will be required to complete the e-learning coursework through the summer and/or a fall after school program. The grade will remain RLI until the coursework is completed.*
2. *If the course is an exploratory/encore subject and the student earned an **A - D** for quarter 3, the final grade will be entered as an Incomplete. Students will not be required to attend summer/fall bridge sessions. The student's grade will remain as an "Incomplete."*
3. *For any course that a student earned an "**F**" for quarter 3 and a **RLI** for quarter 4, the final grade will be entered as a failure ("**F**"). These grades will then be treated as any other F received in middle school. Credit would not be earned, and make-ups will be done through summer school (if available) or through a fall after-school bridge program, if your child did not earn the 12 credits necessary in middle school.*

We understand that the final grading process for quarter 4 is different. Keep in mind, our focus is on the future success of your child(ren) and in the continued process of learning. We want to ensure students are ready to take the next course in a progression of study with the skills to be successful. Please reach out to us if there are any extenuating circumstances, or if you have any questions or concerns.