

ASSESSMENT, GRADING, & REPORTING COALITION

Meeting #1

November 15, 2021

Time: 6:30 pm

Webex

Participants: List of participants

AGENDA

- I. Introductions and Welcome
- II. Where did this journey begin?

III. Purpose & Coalition Agreements

Assessment, Grading, and Reporting Coalition Agreements

- Interact collaboratively and professionally at all times.
- Seek to understand, not evaluate others' opinions.
- Be able to support your ideas with research and/or student data.
- Support all decisions made by the coalition.
- Refrain from posting on social media.

IV. Areas of focus

- o 100-point scale
- \circ Compliance versus academic grading
- Retakes and Redos
- ∘ SBG

V. Survey Results

- <u>Voices of our school community</u>
- VI. Breakout Groups
 - Sharing minds and hearts

VII. Looking ahead...

- GPS Grading Purpose Statement
- Date of Next Coalition Meeting -

Homework – Coalition Smore/Research Repository

• Choose at least one resource found in the Coalition Smore. Read/view/review before the next meeting!

NOTES

After experiencing some technical difficulties, the meeting began at 6:49 Pm.

Dr. Gregor introduced the participants on the Webex and discussed the history of how we arrived at the coalition.

From there, Dr. Gregor reiterated what we hoped to accomplish with the day's agenda. He spoke about the grading scale and the importance of shifting eventually to a model of grading that certifies acquisition of learning and a certification of standards.

There was then talk from a few of the committee members drilling down to focus of the retake policy, ways to provide feedback, the concern about standards-based grading and the applicability to the collegiate level. There was also questions about the elementary levels.

Mr. D'Ostilio and Mrs. Barnett (Steering Committee Members) referred back to the Agenda. They discussed the non-negotiables and the journey we were undertaking and spoke about the areas of focus. Mrs. Barnett reiterated the norms for the coalition and reviewed the "voices of the community" with the coalition.

From there the student on the Webex spoke about her vantage point as to what she would like to see with the coalition. Teachers then discussed what they needed to see from the coalition. Parents also expressed what they needed discussed as well.

The meeting came to a close and the coalition agreed on Dec 13 for the next meeting. It was also discussed that prior to the next meeting, the coalition members would view the 8 minute video "What's in a Grade?" by Guskey. Also the goals would be to reiterate the goals of the coalition, reestablish the norms, and then have breakout groups where the coalition reaches a consensus on a Grading Purpose Statement or "GPS".

The meeting concluded at 7:45 PM

The purpose of the coalition is:

- to ensure assessment, grading, and reporting systems clearly and effectively communicate student achievement.
- to remove barriers of misinterpretation of student achievement.
- to create systems that accurately and ethically report student outcomes of academic progress and scholarly attributes needed for post-secondary success.