

SCITECH ACADEMY

GRADING SYSTEM

I. PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to set forth SciTech Academy's intention to implement Competency Based Grading.

II. POLICY STATEMENT

It is the policy of SciTech Academy to implement Competency Based Grading as a key component of communicating student learning to students, parents and other stakeholders.

III. COMPETENCY BASED GRADING

A. Competency Based Grading reflects flexibility in the way that credit can be earned.

- a. Credit is earned through mastery of standards or "competencies" rather than seat time or through basic task completion.
- b. Mastery can be assessed through a variety of methods (written exams, projects, exhibitions, oral or written reports, etc.).

B. Competency Based Grading reflects flexibility in the pace and timing of student mastery.

C. Competency Based Grading reflects multiple opportunities to demonstrate mastery and growth over extended periods of time.

IV. REPORTING

A. In addition to regular communication between families and advisors, student progress will be communicated quarterly through written reports and student exhibitions.

B. Written reports will include information on competencies attempted each quarter, competencies mastered each quarter, percentage of grade-level competencies mastered, and growth on previously-attempted competencies.