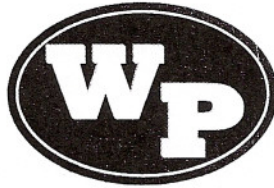


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Dear Parent/Guardian:

Senate Bill (SB) 2033 was passed by the 81st Texas Legislature requiring each school district to adopt a grading policy consisting of three components: 1) must require a classroom teacher to assign a grade that reflects the student's relative mastery of an assignment; 2) may not require a classroom teacher to assign a minimum grade for an assignment without regard to the student's quality of work; and 3) may allow a student a reasonable opportunity to make up or redo a class assignment or examination for which the student received a failing grade.

At Wills Point Junior High, we chose to adopt a uniform grading policy for all classes consisting of a 50/50 split. In other words, there will be two main categories that the students' grades will fall under and each category will count as 50% of their grade for each of their classes. The two main categories are: 1) daily work/homework and 2) tests/major grades. Reading in grade 7 and English in grade 8 will vary slightly in their grading policy with Accelerated Reader (AR) counting as 10% of their tests/major grades. For these two courses, there will be 3 main categories: 1) daily work/homework, 2) tests/major grades and 3) AR. Daily work/homework will count as 50% of the six-week grade, tests/major grades will count as 40% of the six-week grade, and AR will count as 10% of the six-week grade. In addition, the Pre-AP classes will continue to use the same grading policy as before, which consists of a 60/40 split.

This new grading policy may or may not have affected your student's progress grade (3-week grade). If you have any questions or concerns regarding the new grading policy, you are welcome to call me at (903) 873-4946 or come by and meet with me. In addition, if you would like more information regarding SB 2033, it can be accessed on the web at the following website address: <http://ritter.tea.state.tx.us.taa/comm101609.html>.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Amanda Taylor'. The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Amanda Taylor, Asst. Principal
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