



## **Lower Kuskokwim School District Grading Guidance (K-8 Fall 2020)**

The guidelines outlined below are based on the expectation that each student is engaging with their learning during this period of time, to the best of their ability, and as their individual circumstance allows. We each have unique situations we are managing and each teacher knows that other concerns may have priority in different households. Teachers continue to be encouraged to work towards building as much equity as possible for all students regardless of access to Internet. Teachers are encouraged to maintain a log of all communication with students. Sites should be making every effort possible to engage students that are non-responsive.

Teachers should attempt to make regular contact with every student. This may be done through the use of technology (for those that have access) such as email or through weekly phone calls, with an emphasis on continuing to build relationships and maintain connections. If students do not have access to technology, teachers are encouraged to include weekly notes to students in their instructional packet that focus on building relationships and maintaining connections.

The following guidance is provided for grading for fall, 2020.

Students who have returned 70% of their work completed that is directly related to Alaska State Standards will earn letter grades listed below.

Students who have returned 69% or lower of their work completed that is directly related to Alaska State Standards will be assigned a no basis (NB).

If, as a site, you have already stored grades for the first quarter, this would be considered a benchmark with the semester grade reflecting the guidelines below:

### Kindergarten:

Kindergarten students will continue to be assessed using the Kindergarten Skills Checklist as established. Grades will be assigned using the following scale:

E	Excellent
S	Satisfactory
N	Needs Improvement
NB	No Basis

Grades 1-3:

Students in grades 1-3 will be assigned grades using the following scale:

E	Excellent
S	Satisfactory
N	Needs Improvement
NB	No Basis

Grades 4-8:

Students in grades 4-8 will be assigned grades using the following scale:

A	Excellent
B	Good
C	Fair
NB	No Basis

Work habits and citizenship marks for students in grades K-8 are optional.

If issuing a No Basis (NB) grade, a log entry in PowerSchool will be made to reflect the circumstance for the mark.

- Ex. Insufficient demonstration of skills attainment
- Student work insufficient to demonstrate progress or achievement
- No coursework returned
- No contact