

Methods for Calculating Grades

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i Information on this page relates to features that are available in the Enhancement Teacher Tools (ETT) Release Line. These features will be generally available with the 1126 Release Pack (June 2011).

Overview

This section describes some commonly used grading methods and the Campus parameters that must be set for each method.

Total Points

To determine the student's grade, this method uses the sum of all points earned divided by the sum of all possible points.

To use this grading method, use the following settings.

Campus Page	Settings
Teacher Preferences	Clear the checkbox Remove percentage and calculations when using Standards.
Grade Calculation Options	Clear the checkbox Weight categories. Clear the checkbox Use each score's percent value for calculations (rather than points).
Category Detail Editor	Clear the checkbox Exclude this group from calculation. Clear the checkbox Drop lowest score.
Assignment Detail Editor	Select the Scoring Type Marks or Rubric and enter the total points possible.
Assignment Scoring Editor	Select values from the rubric/marks.

Weighted Categories with Total Points

Weighting on categories allows a percentage to be set on assignments attached to the category. All of the categories count toward a term grade. For example, tests may be 40%, projects 40% and homework 20%.

Campus uses the Total Points calculation but only at the category level. The percentage that is calculated for each group is multiplied by the weight assigned to the category and the resulting products of all categories are summed then divided by the total weight.

To use this grading method, use the following settings.

Campus Page	Settings
Teacher Preferences	Clear the checkbox Remove percentage and calculations when using Standards.
Grade Calculation Options	Select the checkbox Weight categories. Clear the checkbox Use each score's percent value for calculations (rather than points).
Category Detail Editor	Clear the checkbox Exclude this group from calculation. Clear the checkbox Drop lowest score. Enter the Weight (total for all weights should normally add to 100).
Assignment Detail Editor	Select the Scoring Type Numeric and enter the total points possible.
Assignment Scoring Editor	Enter numeric scores for students.

Assignment Score Percents

This option gives equal weight to all assignments even though the total points for each assignment may vary. This calculation immediately calculates the percentage earned by the student for every assignment. Then the percentages are summed and divided by the total number of assignments.

To use this grading method, use the following settings.

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Teacher Preferences	Clear the checkbox Remove percentage and calculations when using Standards.
Grade Calculation Options	Clear the checkbox Weight categories. Select the checkbox Use each score's percent value for calculations (rather than points).
Category Detail Editor	Clear the checkbox Exclude this group from calculation. Clear the checkbox Drop lowest score.
Assignment Detail Editor	Select the Scoring Type Numeric and enter the total points possible.
Assignment Scoring Editor	Enter numeric scores for students.

Rubrics/Marks with Total Points

This method takes an alpha character (listed on the rubric/marks) and converts the character to a point equivalent. To determine the student's grade, Campus matches the score entered to the percent value stored for that item in the rubric/assignment marks. The percent is then multiplied by the total points to get a calculated numeric score for the student for that assignment. Once these points are calculated the Total Points method is used to complete the grade calculation.

To use this grading method, use the following settings.

Campus Page	Settings
Teacher Preferences	Clear the checkbox Remove percentage and calculations when using Standards.
Grade Calculation Options	Clear the checkbox Weight categories. Clear the checkbox Use each score's percent value for calculations (rather than points).
Category Detail Editor	Clear the checkbox Exclude this group from calculation. Clear the checkbox Drop lowest score.
Assignment Detail Editor	Select the Scoring Type Marks or Rubric and enter the total points possible.
Assignment Scoring Editor	Select values from the rubric/marks.