

Quick Reference Teacher Gradebook Guide

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Overview

What Is Skyward Gradebook?

Skyward Gradebook is an online tool that allows you to track and record educational information about students in your classes. You have the capability to maintain student grades and have the option to share them with parents and students through Family and Student Access. You may have different functionality in Gradebook than is shown in this guide depending on setup and security managed by your district.

What Skyward Gradebook Does

- Eliminates paperwork leaving more time for you to teach.
- Allows you to easily enter, maintain, review and communicate student grades and progress information.
- Allows you to create and score assignments for students using the Gradebook.
- Makes student information available to you automatically.
- Provides capability for you to view student information, such as attendance, family, emergency and general information, through the Gradebook.
- Enhances communication between you, administrators, parents and students.

How Skyward Gradebook Works

- Gradebook Setup is maintained at the district/entity level so the system is available and ready for you to use in the classroom.
- You are able to log in with a district-assigned username and password.
- Open My Gradebook, and select the class you wish to work with.
- You can take attendance, create and score assignments, post grades and run reports.

Getting Started

Accessing Skyward

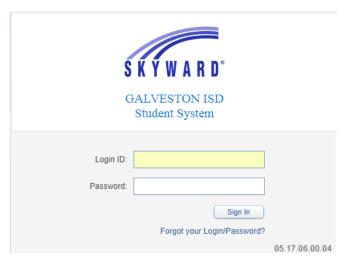
1. Skyward is a web based application, therefore; you need to use a web browser to use Skyward. Skyward supports the following browsers; Chrome, Internet Explorer, Firefox, Safari.

Note: For faster future access, add the Skyward link below to your browser Bookmarks/Favorites OR create a desktop shortcut, by dragging the Skyward URL from the browser to your desktop.

Logging In



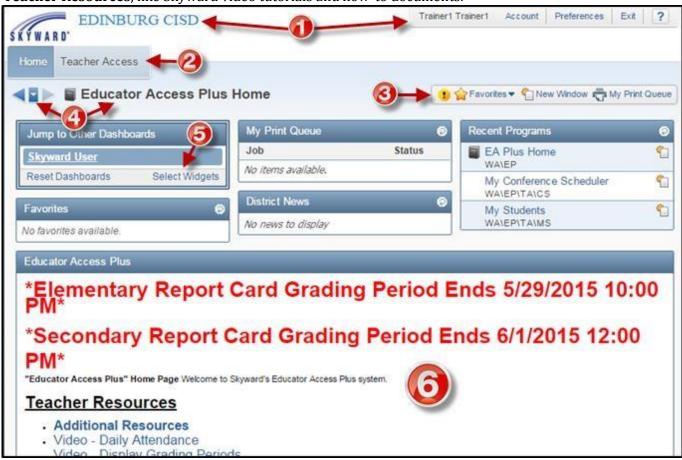
- 1. Login via the desktop icon
- 2. Login ID: Is the same as your computer login Username
- 3. Password: Is the same as your computer login Password
 IMPORTANT NEVER SHARE YOUR PASSWORD
- 4. Click Sign In



Note: If you receive a Pop-Up Blocker Warning, make sure that you Always allow Pop-Ups from Skyward.

Navigating Educator Access Plus

Once you successfully log in, you will see the Educator Access Plus Home AKA **Teacher Home Page** AKA Dashboard. You can add favorites to this interface, see your recent programs, access your print queue, and view other information from this page. You can also see "Helpful Reminders" and also access additional **Teacher Resources**, like Skyward video tutorials and how-to documents.



1. Entity Location / System Menus

In this area the Entity location is displayed on the left side of the screen. On the right side of the screen you will see the name of the logged in user and the system menus for Account, Preferences, Exit, and the Help button shown as a question mark icon.

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Account: Use to view the details and login history of the account you are logged in as.

Preferences: Allows you to setup options associated with your account, like changing your theme color.

Exit: - To log out click the Exit button. Do not exit by clicking the X on the browser window. This may cause your account to remain logged in even though you have closed the window.

: Help icon, use this icon to access SkyDoc, Skyward's Online Documentation.

2. Main Menu Bar

This is your main menu in Skyward. Home will always return you to your Teacher Home Page. Most users will see the following menu items under Teacher Access.

Teacher Access – most users will see the following items

My Gradebook - MG

My Students - MS

My Classes - MC

Post Daily Attendance - DA

My Students with Disabilities - SD, My LEP Students - LE, My Section 504 Students - SE, My Gifted and Talented Students - GT, My At Risk Students - AR

Roster of Special Programs - RS

My Conference Scheduler - CS

Learning Center - LC



Alerts: A yellow Circle with an "!". An Alert will display when a parent creates or responds to a Message Center message. Click the Alert icon to view or respond to the message(s).

Favorites: Allows you to access any Skyward menu paths that you have designated as a favorite. To designate a screen as your favorite you will first need to navigate to that screen and then click on the "Star" icon located in the top left section of the screen so that it turns from grey 📦 to gold 🙀. Once the star turns gold a link to that screen will show up in your "My Favorites".

New Window: This icon will open a new, separate but identical Skyward window of the screen you are on. You can use this new window to navigate anywhere in Skyward without disturbing your original window.

My Print Queue: Any report or process that you generate will run through your Print Queue. You access the Print Queue from any screen as the button will always display in the upper right corner. Depending on the screen, the button may say My Print Queue or it could also just be displayed as the small printer icon. From your Print Queue you can reopen the reports you previously ran or review the status of a report ran earlier. Any reports that you run will be available for 5 days from the day you run them. They will be deleted after 5 days.

4. Navigation & System ID ◀ ■ Educator Access Plus Home

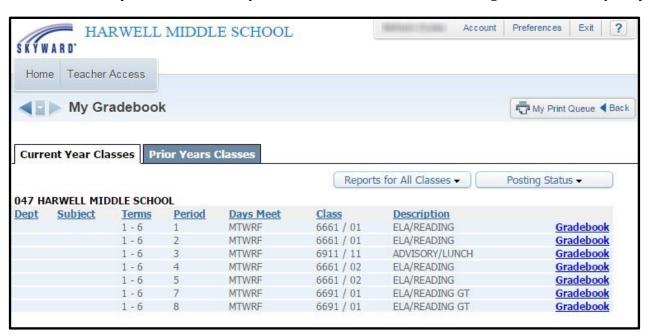
Here you have some navigation buttons as well as the name of the main system you are using, for Teachers it will always be Educator Access Plus Home. The navigation bar will allow you to go back or forward through the last ten screens you have visited. The drop down arrow will show you a list of the last ten screens you visited.

5. Widgets

Select Widgets: Allows you determine the information that displays on your Dashboard. Click Select Widgets to select the modules you would like to display on your Teacher Home Page and click Save once you've made your selections.

My Gradebook

From this screen, you can access all of your current classes' Gradebooks, along with those from prior years.



Current Year Classes: From this tab, you can see all current school year Gradebooks for the courses you teach.

Reports for All Classes: Under this button, you can access reports that can pull details from multiple classes at a time. The details of the reports will be covered in a later section of this guide.

Posting Status: Under this button, you can quickly verify which grades have been (or will be) sent to the office. You can also request grade changes for closed grading periods. The details of these options will be covered later in this guide.

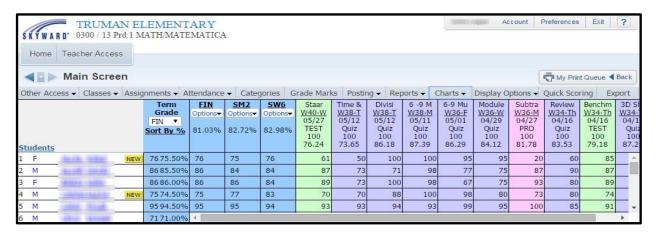
Column Headings: All of the column headings above the list of Gradebooks can be used to sort the records based on that field. By default, all Gradebooks are listed in order of the Period they are taught. You could click the Subject heading to group all the courses together based on the subject codes attached.

Gradebook Links: These links take you into your Gradebook to maintain the data.

Prior Year Classes: From this tab, you can see any Gradebooks from past school years. Any Gradebooks identified with your user account that were set up and used in previous years will display here. You can click on the Gradebook link to get a standard view of the Gradebook at the end of that school year, but you will have no editing capabilities.

Gradebook

This screen is the Gradebook Main screen. From here, you can see the students in the class, and see and maintain the assignments and grades. You can also set up the Gradebook, run reports, and enter attendance for the day.



Class Information Link: The Class Information link appears under the Entity at the top left corner of the screen. In the example above, this is where you see 0300/13 Prd:1 MATH/MATEMATICA. Clicking this link pulls up a screen that shows details of how the course, class/section, and meeting pattern are set up.

Tabs: You can use the Tabs across the top of the list to access other functions within the Gradebook.

Other Access: View Student's Discipline, Test Scores, Busing, Report Card Grades & the Message Center

Classes: Quickly switch from one class to another.

Assignments: Add and list assignments.

Attendance: Take daily attendance, assign seats for seating chart, and view alert color legend.

Categories: Change the scoring method and add/edit categories for assignments.

Grade Marks: View the Default Grade Marks setup by the district.

Posting: Post Grades for Dropped Students and Post Comments.

Reports: Access reports for attendance, gradebook, progress, class information, and report card.

Charts: Graph information about student grading in a course

Display Options: Customize the way Students and/or Assignments are displayed.

Quick Scoring: Enter or change grades for all of the assignments for all of the students.

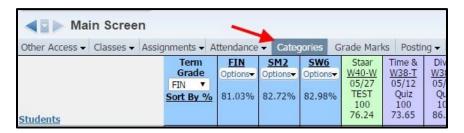
Export: Export your gradebook to a csv file that can be opened with Excel.

Initial Setup Procedures

Score Method and Categories Setup

The Categories tab is used as a reference to view the categories that are setup for the class. Via this tab you will setup the Score Method which will determine how assignment grades will be calculated.

1. Click on the Categories tab



2. Click on the **Change Score Method** button



3. Select one of the Score Method options and click Save



Use total points to calculate grades: If using total points, the Gradebook will not calculate grades using Categories. In other words, it will treat all points earned for assignments equally. A point in the

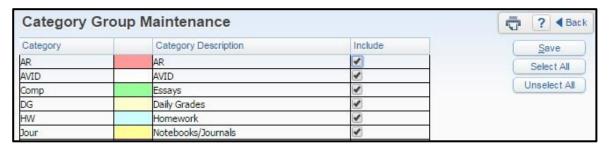
Category of Homework will have the same value as a point in the Categories of Test, Quiz, Lab, and so on. Using this method, student grades are calculated based on the points only.

Base grades on percents assigned to categories: If you chose to use "Base grades on percents assigned to categories," you will need to assign percent weights to the chosen categories. When calculating an overall grade, Gradebook scoring will use the total points earned within each category multiplied by the percentage assigned to that category. It is important to note that once weighting has been assigned, and the first grading period has ended, you will not be able to deviate from the originally assigned weighting structure. It will be in place for the duration of the course.

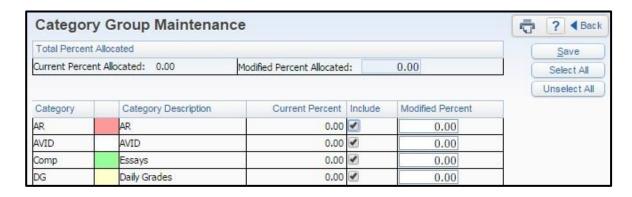
4. Click the Add/Edit Categories button



If you selected the **Use total points to calculate grades** option, you can choose which Categories you will be using within the Gradebook and **Save** your selection.



If you selected the **Base grades on percents assigned to categories** option, you can choose which Categories you will be using within the Gradebook and enter the Percentages assigned to each selected Category. Each selected Category should have a percentage assigned to it that is greater than zero. Otherwise, any assignment attached to the unweighted Category will not factor into the overall grade. Once all percentages have been assigned, click **Save**.

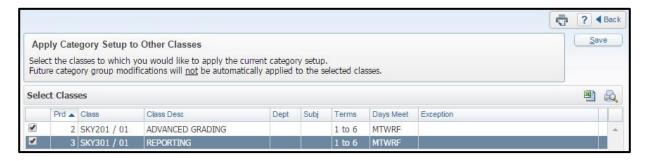


Please be aware that if you have a category selected, but do not use it during a grading period, the percentages will redistribute between the other selected Categories that were used. For example, if you have five Categories selected with 20% weighting for each, but only use four in a grading period, those four will be weighted at 25% each. You can run the Progress Detail report to see the redistributed percentages if any Categories were unused.

5. Click the **Use These Categories for My other Classes** button to assign the same categories and scoring method to other classes you teach.



6. Check the box to the left of the course to add the same categories and scoring method to that class. When all necessary courses are selected, click **Save**.



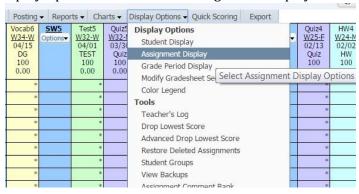
Gradebook Display Options

The Display Options menu allows you to select different display options for student display, assignment display and grade period display. Once these are set correctly, you should not have to visit this area again. However, there might be times when you want to vary these.

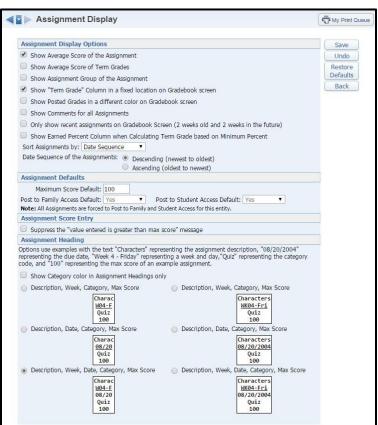
Assignment Display

Your Assignment Display allows to you to set user preferences for display of assignment detail information in the Gradebook and for assignment score settings.

1. Mouse over the Display Options tab and Select Assignment Display



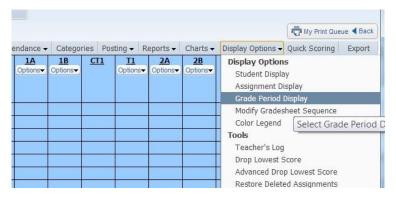
The important option here is the sort assignments option: Select by Date Sequence and choose Descending. You may also select an assignment heading layout in the bottom section. It is a good idea to leave all other options alone. These preferences can be changed at any time, so you can try different options. SAVE your choices.



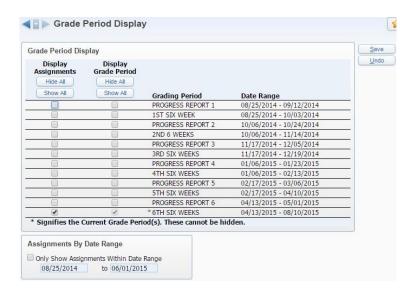
Grade Period Display

The current terms and assignments will always be displayed by default, but other terms may be selected or deselected. It is recommended that you keep all previous SW Grading Periods displayed at all times in order to stay aware of any grade discrepancies which may occur after a term ends.

1. Mouse over the Display Options tab.



- 2. Click Grade Period Display
- 3. Select the Terms_in the Display Grading Period column that you wish to display. (You don't need to show all assignments for past grading periods, but we recommend that you show all terms.)

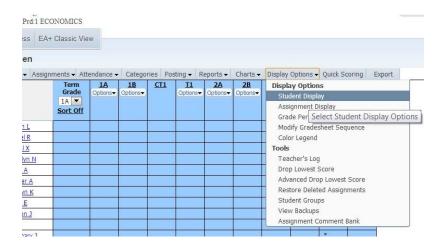


4. SAVE

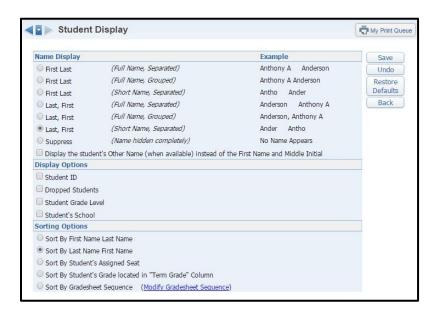
Student Display

You have several different options for displaying student names. This is also where you may choose to show or hide dropped/inactive students.

1. Mouse over the Display Options tab.



2. Select Student Display

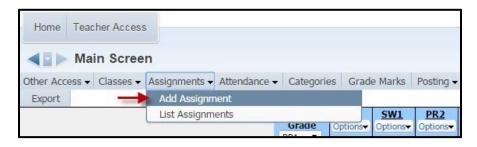


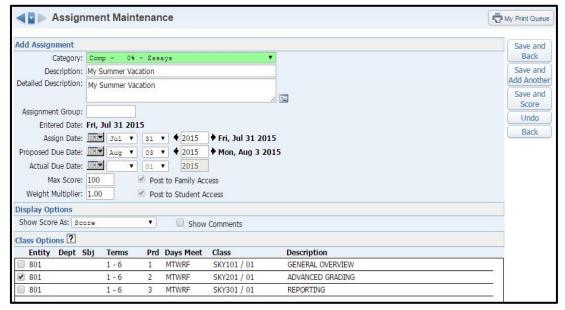
- 3. Make the desired choices.
- 4. SAVE

Tip: If you have a conference with a parent and you would like to show them your gradebook screen, but don't want the parent to see the rest of the student's grades, you can select Suppress from Name Display and Student ID from Display Options. This will only show the Student IDs on your gradebook screen.

Adding Assignments

1. To add an assignment, click the Assignments menu at the top and select Add Assignment.



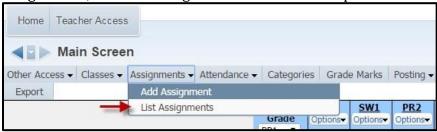


- 2. *Category: Select a category code from the drop down menu.
- 3. *Description: Type the name of the assignment (maximum of 30 characters).
- 4. Detailed Description: Enter a detailed explanation of the assignment (maximum of 300 characters). The Detailed Description can be viewed within Family and Student Access.
- 5. *Assign Date: Enter the date the assignment was given to the students; it defaults to current date. **Make sure the assignment date is within the six-week period.**
- 6. *Proposed Due Date: Enter the date you anticipate that the assignment will be due. You can enter future Assign and Proposed Dates; this allows the assignment to display as a future assignment in Family and Student Access.
- 7. Actual Due Date: Date entered for assignment receiving an extension. An example would be students not turning the assignment on the proposed date due to a bad weather day. The actual due date will supersede the proposed due date.
- 8. Max Score: Enter the maximum value a student may receive for the assignment; extra credit should not be included in this number. Assignments created solely to track **extra credit** can be created with a max score of zero.
- 9. *Weight Multiplier: This typically remains at "1" unless you wish to adjust assignment value for varying difficulty in assignments. Example: Assignment has a maximum score of 100. If you change the Weight Multiplier field to .5, the assignment is given half the value or a maximum score of 50. By changing the Weight Multiplier to 2, the assignment maximum score would double to 200.
- 10. Post to Family Access, Post to Student Access: These options are selected by default. These options will post the assignment information to Family and Student Access.
- 11. Click Save and Score to go directly to entering student grades, or Save and Add Another to add another assignment without entering grades for the assignment just entered, or Save and Back to return to the Gradebook.

List Assignments

Use this option to Add, Edit, Clone, or Delete assignments.

1. To list your assignments, click the Assignments menu at the top and select List Assignments.



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09/05/14	2	Fri	DG		Vocab1		1.00	100		4	4
09/19/14	4	Fri	HW		HW1		1.00	100		4	4
09/30/14	6	Tue	Quiz		Quiz1					4	4
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Add: This option allows you to create a new assignment.

Edit: This allows you to make modifications to an existing assignment; all field can be modified. If an assignment was added to multiple classes and modification of the assignment is needed, it will be necessary to access each class and edit the assignment to make the change.

Clone: This option allows you to copy an assignment within the same class or to another class.

Delete: This allows you to delete an assignment and any student grades associated with the assignment. If an assignment is incorrectly/accidentally deleted, you can use the Restore Deleted Assignments tool, under Display Options, Tools, Restore Deleted Assignments.

Report – Assignment Report: This displays a list of students and the grades they earned on the selected assignment.

Score Entry: Allows you to add/edit assignment scores and comments for the selected assignment.

Assignment Display: Allows you to customize how assignments display on the Gradebook Main Screen and provides options for managing the assignment score settings.

Clone from Existing Gradebook: Allows you to copy one or more assignments from a current year or historical Gradebook of your own. When selecting this option, you must be in the Gradebook where you want the assignment created.

Entering Scores

From the main screen of the Gradebook, you may enter grades several different ways.

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Clicking in a cell

The most expedient way to enter scores is with the Quick Scoring method.

Entering Semester/Final Exam Scores

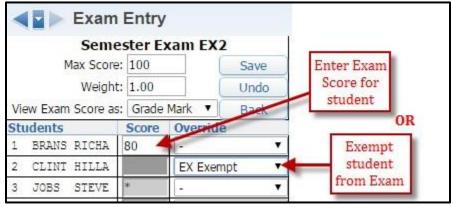
Semester/Final Exam Score Entry allows you to enter the scores for the semester/final exam.

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- 1. To enter Semester/Final Exam grades, go to the Gradebook Main Screen and click the **Options** tab under the EX1 or EX2 Grade Bucket
- 2. Select Enter Semester Exam "EX1/EX2" Scores



3. Enter the Exam grade for each student under the Score column or you may enter an override to Exempt a student from the exam. To Exempt students from the Exam, select "EX Exempt" from the drop down under the Override column.



4. Click Save

Daily Tasks

Most of the tasks in this section are tasks that you will complete daily or almost daily.

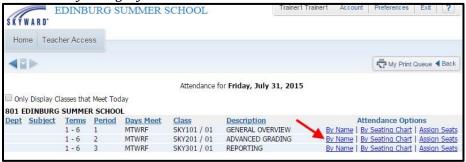
Taking Attendance

Click the Post Daily Attendance link under Teacher Access.



Taking Attendance by Name

1. Click the **By Name** link next to the course for which you want to take attendance. *Note: The sections that do not meet "today" are grayed out.*



PLEASE NOTE – Attendance, for funding purposes, is taken 2^{nd} period each day. Taking attendance 2^{nd} period is required for everyone.

Elementary campuses should make sure that they are in their second period class when taking attendance for funding purposes. During 2^{nd} period, students are either present or absent at the appointed attendance time.

Secondary campuses should take attendance EVERY period.

Term Tasks

There are some tasks that may only occur at the end of a term or semester. Those tasks are explained in this section.

Posting Grades for Progress Reports and Report Cards

We will use Auto Posting in our district for grade reporting. While this will make the process easier for the teachers, there are still steps that must be completed each cycle prior to printing accurate Progress Reports and Report Cards. Those processes are outlined below.

- Teachers must enter tasks and scores throughout the grading cycle.
 Proposed Due Dates are critical to the grade reporting process! Make sure that your Proposed Due Dates fall within the correct grade-marking period.
- 2. Grades will be automatically pulled from the teacher's gradebook each night during the period that the posting window is open. All changes made during this time will be updated during each nightly pull. Once the window closes, no more changes can be made by the teacher unless they complete a formal grade change request.
- 3. Comments for each student may be posted by the teacher, if desired.

 Comments are not required and no more than 3 comments can be assigned per student.
- 4. Teachers must verify all grades, comments and BEFORE the window closes. Registrars (Secondary) and PEIMS Clerks (Elementary) will provide the teachers with various reports that will aid in verifying their grades. Those reports can be either a Grade Differences Report, Grade Proof Sheet Report or a Blank Grades Report.

Grade Differences Report: This report shows if discrepancies exist between Gradebook grades posted (Report Card) grades. See sample of Grade Differences Report at the end of this guide.

Grade Proof Sheet Report: This report lists the grades that teachers have for their classes. Posted Grades are grades that will be printed on Report Cards and Transcripts (high school). See sample of Grade Proof Sheet at the end of this guide.

Posting Comments to Progress Reports and Report Cards

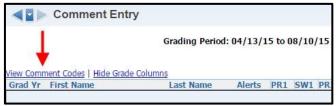
1. To Post Comments for each class, mouse over the Posting button and click on Post Comments



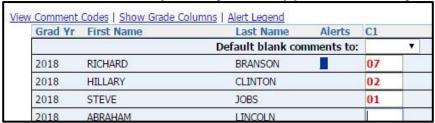
2. Under 'Grade Period(s) Open for Comment Posting' select the correct reporting period. Click the Post Comments link on the right.



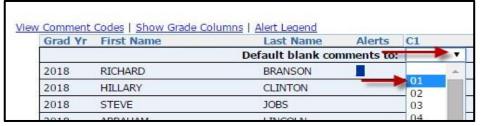
3. To see a list of comments click on the View Comment Codes link



4. You can assign a code to each individual student by typing in the Comment Code under one of the Comments box. You may click on the Hide Grade Columns link to move the Comments Code boxes closer to the students' names. You may enter up to three (3) comment codes per student.



5. You can **mass assign comments** by clicking on the drop down for the Comment Column "C1" and selecting the Comment Code that you wish to assign to all students. Click OK on pop-up window.



6. Once comments are assigned to students, click SAVE.

Printing

Skyward has many different reports that can be printed. You can print the spreadsheet visible on your screen simply by right clicking on the screen and choosing Print. This is not the best option, as it will only print what is visible.

Printing Reports

There are a number of canned reports that you can print. It is also possible to add new reports with different options. There are reports for rosters, attendance, grades and assignments.

To select a report, mouse over the Reports menu and select the desired report. Use a report template, edit a report template or add a new report with only the options you would like to include.

Commonly Used Reports

Grade Sheet Report – This report will give you a cover page with a list of all assignments, the Due Dates, the corresponding categories and weights, along with the average scores for the class. The subsequent pages list the students and the grades on each task. This report can be requested at the end of each SW

Grading period, at the end of the SM, and/or at the end of the school year. See sample Grade Sheet Report at the end of this guide.

Progress Detail – This report provides a detailed report for each student. It lists all assignments and the earned points, along with a breakdown by category. There is a signature line. You will get one page for each student, so be aware. This is a lengthy report.

Class Roster – There are several options to choose with this report. It will provide you with basic information including, name, grade, gender, birth date, address, phone number and guardian information.

Missing Assignments – This report will list the students who have missing assignments in the gradebook. It will show you the student name, assignment name and date. The Skyward template will put each student on a new page, but you may clone or add a template and deselect that option so that students will not print on separate pages.

Grade Proof Sheet – This report will generate a one-page report showing grades for each grading period. The grades show on this report are the grades that are posted at the office. You can choose to see the current term only or you may include all previous terms. This report is sometimes given to the teachers by the school Registrars to verify grades at the end of each grading period.

Other Skyward Tasks

There are some tasks that don't occur on a regular basis. The remainder of this user guide will focus on those additional tasks that are necessary to import, verify, print and document your gradebook.

Requesting Grade Changes After the Posting Window Closes

Once the posting window closes, you can request a grade change. PLEASE MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO VERIFY THE ACCURACY OF ALL GRADES BEFORE THE WINDOW CLOSES IN ORDER TO AVOID HAVING TO MAKE MANUAL CHANGES.

- 1. Log onto the Skyward Teacher Gradebook and follow the steps outlined in the Skyward Gradebook Grade Change Request Form Guide
- 2. An administrator will log in to Skyward and confirm the grade change request from the teacher and officially accept the Grade Change Request. Once the administrator completes the process in Skyward, the grade change will be completed and official.

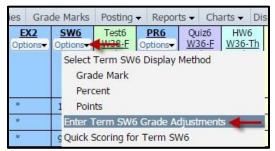
NOTE: Grade Change Requests will only be accepted for Six Weeks Grading Periods. Online Grade Change Requests will not be necessary for Progress Reporting Periods.

Please see the Skyward Grade Change Request Process how-to at the end of this guide.

Entering Grade Adjustments

Grades can be adjusted at the end of a term. Grade adjustments should not be made on Progress Reports. If you need to adjust a term grade:

Click the **Options** button in the term column heading and then click **Enter Term Grade** Adjustments



2. Enter the desired score in the grade column and press Tab. The necessary points will be added automatically.

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96	96.00				-	•	
98	98.00				[-	•	
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- 3. You may choose to add a note to indicate why the grade was adjusted by clicking on the **note icon** in the Comment column.
- 4. Click Save.

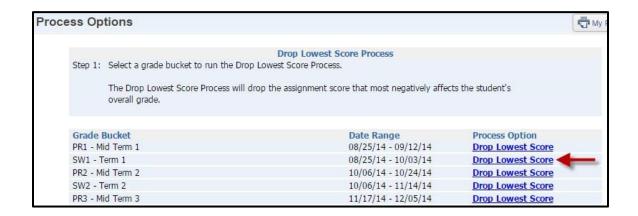
Drop Lowest Score

Drop Lowest Score is a tool that automates the process of dropping a student's lowest assignment scores for a class.

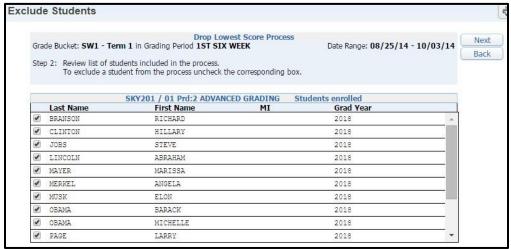
1. Click on **Display Options** form the Gradebook Main Screen and click **Drop Lowest Score**



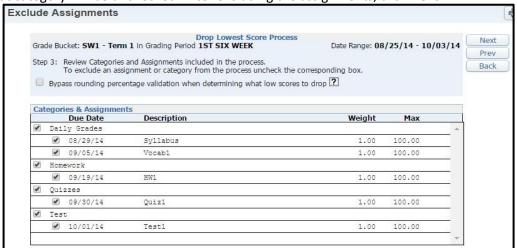
2. Choose the grading period that you wish to process.



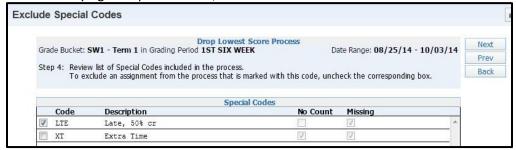
3. Verify the students who will be included when running Drop Lowest Score. If you want to exclude a student from this process, uncheck the box next to the student's name. After reviewing the names, click **Next**.



4. Review the assignments that can be included in the Drop Lowest Score process. To exclude an assignment or category, uncheck the box next to it. If you uncheck a category, all assignments attached to that category will be unchecked. After excluding the assignments, click **Next**.



5. Review the Special Codes to determine whether assignments with these Special Codes should be included in the Drop Lowest Score process. Uncheck the box next to the code to exclude it from the process. After verifying the Special Codes, click **Next**.



Note: This screen will not appear if there are no Special Codes set up.

6. Review the students and their assignments that will be dropped. You can still uncheck a student from the drop process by unchecking the box next to the student's name. After verifying the assignments that will be dropped, click **Process Drops**.

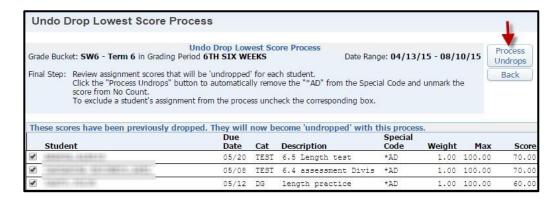


Undo Drop Lowest Score

- 1. Select Drop Lowest Score from the Display Options drop-down list.
- Select Undo Drop Lowest Score



Verify the students and assignments for whom current drops will be undone. You are able to see the



Grade Discrepancies

Occasionally, grade discrepancies will occur. This is especially true with students who transferred into your classroom after the first day of school. You MUST have all terms visible in your display options, or you will miss seeing these discrepancies. Discrepancies will appear in BOLD under the heading Report Card in the gradebook. There are several reasons why grade discrepancies occur, but in every case they must be corrected before the close of the window at the end of each term.

Reasons Grade Discrepancies Occur

There are several reasons why you might see a grade discrepancy. One reason is that you requested a grade change and entered new data that has not yet been "accepted" by the office. If that happens, notify your Registrar or your attendance clerk.

Another reason for a discrepancy could be that the office entered a grade manually for a student who either transferred to GISD or who received a grade at another campus (such as EAEA) or from another teacher at your campus, and you have not yet accepted that transfer grade into your gradebook *Semester and final grades are not calculated from the office records, but rather from the teacher's gradebook. Therefore, it is imperative that these records are accurate and that both the office records and the gradebook records match identically.* The only time it is acceptable to have a grade discrepancy is for a Progress Report grade that will not adversely impact a student's UIL eligibility. Those should be ignored. However, ALL Term discrepancies must be cleared up before the end of each cycle.

****IMPORTANT****IMPORTANT****IMPORTANT****

We recommend that you not hide previous SW term grades in your gradebook. If previous terms are hidden, you will not see grade discrepancies. You may hide all previous assignments and Progress Report periods but **do not hide SW term grades for ANY previous terms**. Students come and go throughout the school year. Grades from their previous school(s) will be recorded in the office as they are received. As grades are entered in the office, a discrepancy will appear in your gradebook. You must add that grade to your gradebook in order to correctly calculate a semester and final average.

Once a grade discrepancy is discovered, you must take certain steps to accept that grade into your gradebook. You'll see this discrepancy in a "Report Card" column with a BOLD grade to mark the difference, as seen below. If you've entered grade adjustments previously, you'll also see a Grade Adjustment column (also shown in example below)

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4	M	LINCO ABRAH		90 90	.00%	90		
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Options for Accepting Previous Grades for New Students

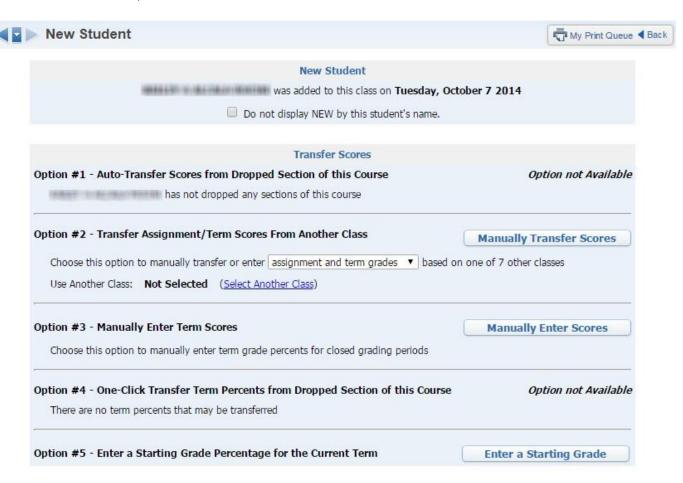
Students will likely enter and leave your classroom throughout the school year. Those entering your classroom may be new to the district, they may be new to your class, or they may simply be transferring from one section of your class to another.

In Skyward, there are 5 different ways of getting previous grades into your gradebook. *The circumstances under which the child is entering your class will determine the best method of entry for previous grades.* For most instances, Option 3 is the best option.

It is imperative that every student have a grade in your gradebook for every term, regardless of when they entered your classroom. Without a grade in every term, the semester and final averages WILL NOT calculate correctly. Leaving blank grades will also cause grade discrepancies.

Grade discrepancies MUST be cleared before the end of each and every cycle.

There are 5 different options for getting scores entered into your gradebook. All 5 options, and the best time to use them, are discussed below



Option 1 - Auto-Transfer Scores from a Dropped Section

It is recommended that you DO NOT choose Option 1 unless a student is transferring from another section of your class and your assignments are exactly the same for both sections.

Option 2 - Transfer Scores from a Dropped Class

This can be used when a student transfers from one course to another if you want to move those grades. One example would be transferring grades from a dropped athletics course into a PE course. Another example would be transferring grades from a dropped Pre-AP Math course to a Regular Math course. You will need to decide if this is a good fit for your needs. If you choose Option 2, please DO NOT choose the option to transfer "assignment and term grades." This will cause grading problems. Choose "term grades only" from Option 2 when this option is used.

Option 3 - Manually Enter Term Scores

This option will be used most often with students transferring from another district or another campus within the district. You will use this option to "copy" the term grades from the office into your gradebook so that they can be calculated into the semester and final averages. It can be used for most instances, and will probably be your first choice in many cases.

Option 4 - One-Click Transfer Term Percents from a Dropped Section

This option allows you to do a "one-click transfer" from dropped sections. This is best used when a student moves from one section to another of the same course. You will see the dropped section, the term and the score that will be transferred. If you are not comfortable with this method or not certain that it is accurate, you can use Option 2 or 3.

Option 5 - Enter a Starting Grade for the Current Term

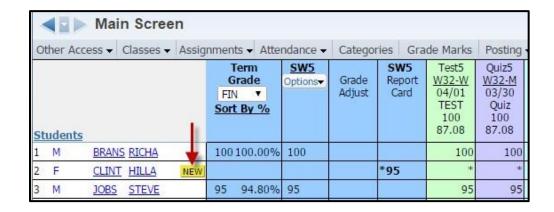
If a student enters your class in the middle of a SW period, you will need to do a combination of things. You will need to enter previous term grades using Option 3 or Option 4.and you will need to use Option 5, to enter a "starting grade" for the current term when they transfer in the middle of a SW period. These may be coming from another classroom or from another school. With this option, you enter a starting grade for the current term, and the system will fill in that grade in all blanks in your gradebook from the beginning of the current cycle until the student's enrollment date. For example, if you are in Week 3 of the current term and you have already entered 7 tasks for that grading cycle, you can enter the student's withdrawal grade using Option 5, and the system will enter that withdrawal grade into the blank cells for the previous 7 tasks. This saves you from entering the withdrawal grade into each individual task.

Accepting Previous Term Grades for New/Transfer Students

When you receive a new student in your class, the office will enter grades for previous terms once they arrive from the sending school. When these grades are entered into Skyward, a discrepancy in your gradebook will occur. Gradebook discrepancies must be checked and cleared before the end of each sixweek grading cycle. When new students enroll into your class, you must take the following steps to get his/her previous term grades into your gradebook so that semester and final grades calculate correctly:

Scenario - Student is new to campus/district

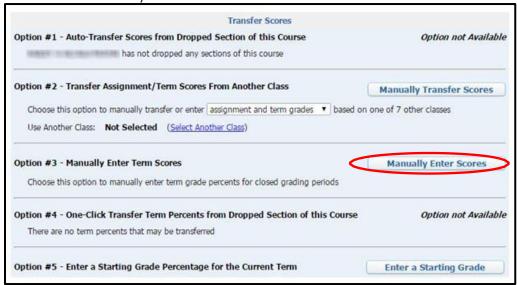
1. Click the yellow NEW button beside the student's name.



Note: If the New button is not visible, you will need to click on the student's name. It will take you to another screen where you can click on the New Student tab seen in the following picture.



2. Choose Option 3 to manually enter term scores. As previously discussed, this option will be used most often and will allow you to enter term scores for previously completed terms. This option will not include any individual tasks, just final term scores. This is what you will use for brand new students who have term and/or semester scores entered in the office.

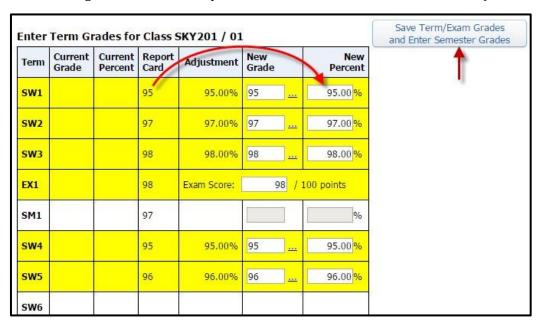


The following screen will appear:

nter	Term Gr	ades for	r Class 9	KY201 / 01	-		Save Term/Exam Grades and Enter Semester Grade
Term	Current Grade	Current Percent		Adjustment	New Grade	New Percent	
sw1			95		<u> </u>	%	
SW2			97		<u> </u>	%	
sw3			98		<u> </u>	%	
EX1			98	Exam Score:	0 /:	100 points	
SM1			97			%	
SW4			95			%	
sw5			96		<u></u>	%	
SW6							

Note: The Report Card column indicates the grades that are recorded in the <u>office</u>. The Current Grade column indicates the grades that are recorded in the <u>gradebook</u>. In the example above, there are no grades recorded in the gradebook for SW Terms 1-4 or for Semester 1 or Semester 1 Exam. If this is not corrected, none of the existing grades listed will be calculated into the final grade.

3. In the blanks in the New Percent column, enter the grades that are present in the "Report Card" column so that the Report Card Grade is brought into the gradebook as a whole number. (You will not be able to enter a grade for SM1. That process will be available on the next screen.)



4. After entering all missing grades, click the "Save Term Grades and Enter Semester Grades" button.

Save Term/Exam Grades and Enter Semester Grades 5. Enter the calculated semester grade and click the "Save Semester Grades and Finish" button. (If you do not want to enter a semester exam score, you MUST delete the zero that is in the box by default)

Enter	Semeste	er Grade	s for Cl	ass SKY201	/ 01		Save Semester Grades and Finish
Term	Current Grade	Current Percent	Report Card	Adjustment	New Grade	New Percent	1
SW1	95	95.00%	95	95.00%	95	95.00%	
SW2	97	97.00%	97	97.00%	97	97.00%	
SW3	98	98.00%	98	98.00%	98	98.00%	
EX1	98	98.00%	98	Exam Score:	98 /	100 points	
SM1			97		<u> </u>	97%	
SW4	95	95.00%	95	95.00%	95	95.00%	
SW5	96	96.00%	96	96.00%	96	96.00%	

Note: – For classes/campuses that do not give semester exams, there will not be a box for the Exam Score. Everything else will look the same.

6. You will then be returned to your gradebook. The discrepancies will no longer be visible in BOLD and the NEW button will be removed. There is no need to request grade change or notify the office. This completes this process!

Note: You cannot simply enter an SM1 grade in the gradebook without entering grades for SW1, SW2 and SW3. SM1 is a calculated grade so all three SW1-3 terms must be entered. If you only have a semester grade, enter that same grade into the SW1, SW2 and SW3 buckets so that it will calculate in your gradebook properly.

Note: Turn off the new button. Once you have entered scores for all previous terms, you will probably want to "turn off" the NEW button. To do that, click the NEW button once again, CHECK the box indicated below, and close the window. The NEW button will disappear.



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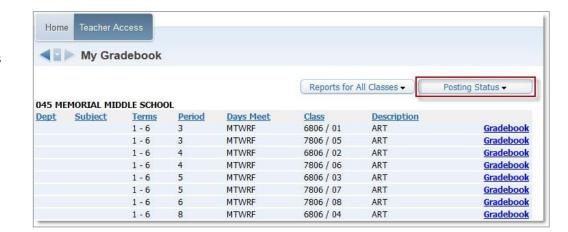
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Online Grade Change Request

Grades are automatically posted in Skyward for all Grading Periods. All grades must be entered correctly before the grading period closes. To change or enter grades after a grading period closes, teachers will need to complete the Online Grade Change Request process. Check with your Registrar (Secondary) or Attendance Clerk (Elementary) on whether you need to complete a paper Grade Change Request Form to submit after completing the Online Grade Change Request process in Skyward.

- 1. Log in to Skyward
- 2. Click on Teacher Access
- 3. Click on My Gradebook
- 4. Click on Posting Status



 Select the grading period in which grades need to be changed or added for existing or new students.

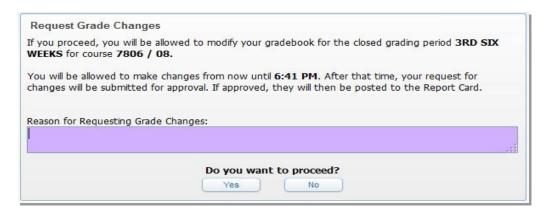


- Highlight the class needing changes.
- Click Request Grade Changes.



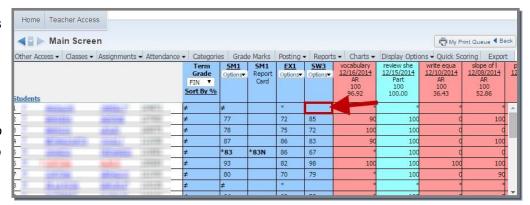
 Enter Reason for Requesting the Grade Changes.
 Note: There is a 2-hour time limit in which to make the changes.

 Click Yes to proceed.
 (This will take you back to your gradebook)



10. Click on the grade that needs to be changed or the blank grade box where a grade will be entered.

Note: If the grading period to which grade changes need to be made to is not displaying, click on Display Options,

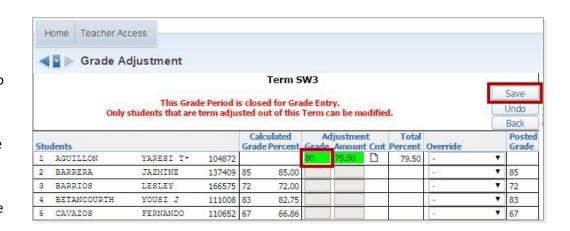


Grade Period Display, and check off the Grading Period to display, and click Save.

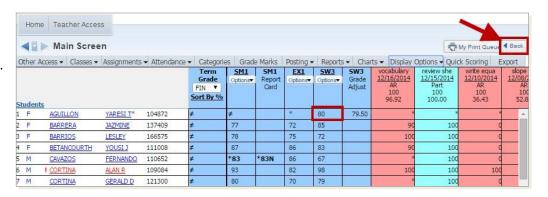
Note: If you already have the grade in your gradebook, but the Registrar (secondary) or Attendance Clerk (elementary) is still missing the grade on report card, then Click on the Back Button and Click the Complete Grade Changes button, this will post the grade to report card.

11. Enter the new grade and Click Save (This will take you back to your gradebook)

> **Note**: To clear an INC use the Override drop-down and select the dash (-) then enter the new grade



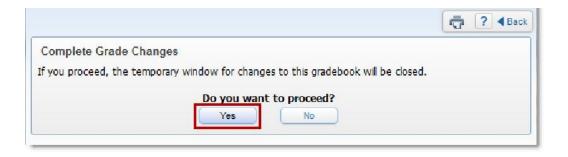
- Confirm that the grade entered or changed appears in your gradebook.
- Click the **Back** button (top right of gradebook)



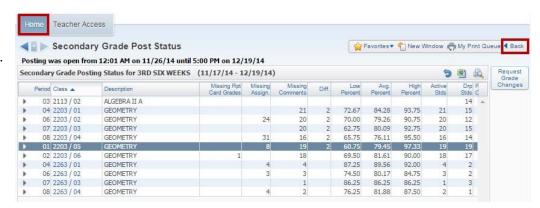
- 14. Highlight the class where the changes were made&Click the
- 15. Complete Grade Changes
 Button (top right)



16. Click **Yes** to complete the grade change.



Click Back or Home to exit Grade Posting Status Screen.



Note: Until the grade change is approved, the teacher will see a report card column next to the grading period column where the changes were made. Once the grade change is approved the report card column will go away.

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Grade Sheet Report

The Grade Sheet Report prints a spreadsheet-like display of the Gradebook assignments and scores. This report can be used as a hard copy of the Gradebook. The report can also be run as a blank grid with the student's name displaying in the left-hand column of the report. The blank grade sheet report can be generated using Skyward Templates 930, 940, and 950.

This document outlines how to print a grade sheet report using Template 800

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How-To Print a Grade Sheet Report

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- 2. Click on Teacher Access

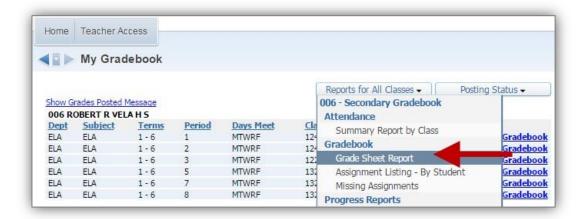


3. Click on My Gradebook



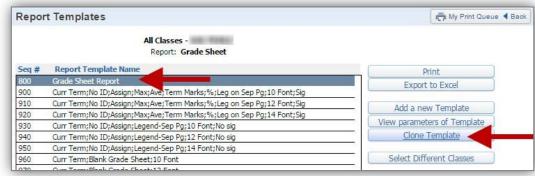
4. Click

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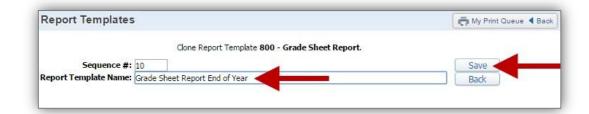


5. Select the800 Grade Sheet Report template

6. Click Clone Template



- 7. **Type a name** for the new template &
- 8. Click Save



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 Assignments for Date Range

And change date range
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(first day of school)

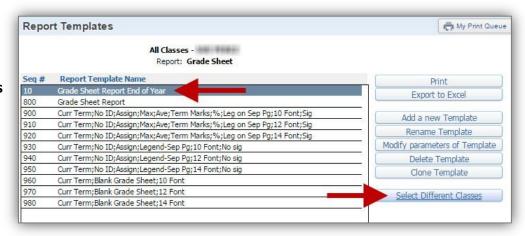
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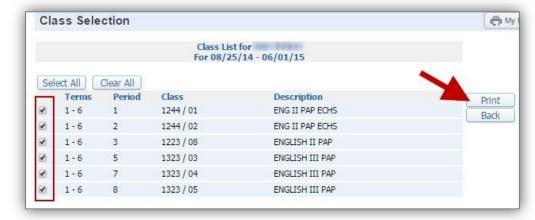
10. Click Save



- 11. Select the new template&
- 12. Click Select Different Classes



- 13. **Select the classes** that you wish to print the report for
- 14. Click Print

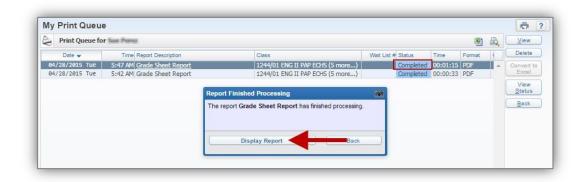


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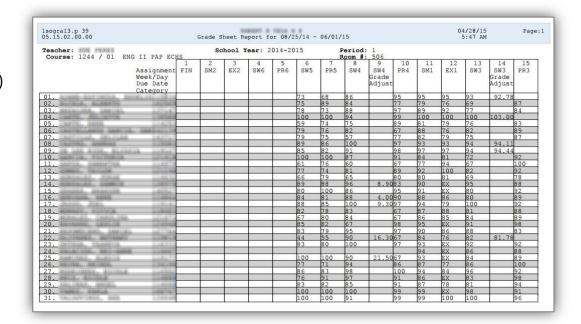


16. When the print job is Completed

17. Click Display Report



18. Save or print the Grade Sheet Report(s)



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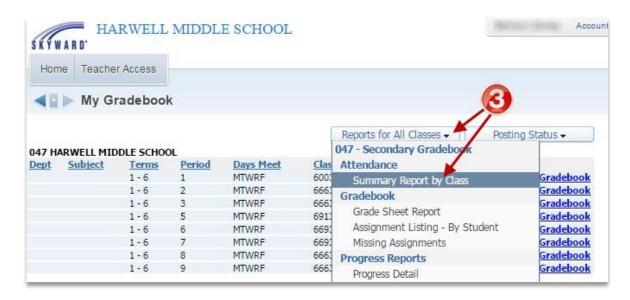
Attendance Report by SW Term

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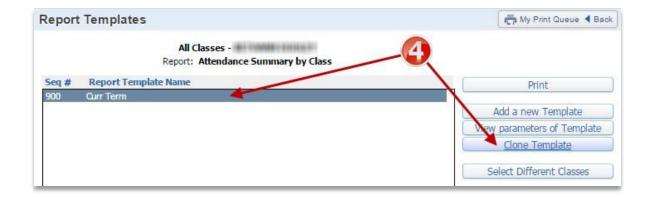
Step 2. Click on Teacher Access and Select My Gradebook - MG



Step 3. Click on Reports for all Classes and Select Summary Report by Class under Attendance

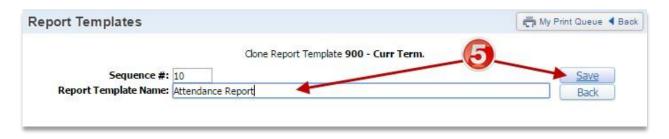


Step 4. Select the 900 Curr Term template and Click on Clone Template



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Step 5. Type in a name for the new report template, Click Save

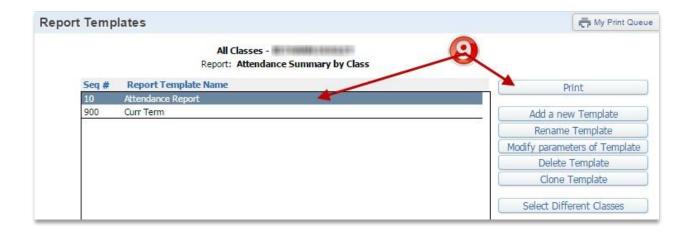


- Step 6. Select any options that you want your report to include
- Step 7. Select the Six Weeks Term that you want to print your Attendance Report for from drop-down
- Step 8. Click Save



Step 9. **Select** the new template and **Click** on Print, this will send the report to the Print Queue and once your report is ready you can save it or print it.

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NOTE: If you are printing the report by Six Weeks, you will need to select the report and Click on Modify parameters of Template to select a different Six Weeks grading period, Save, and then Print it.

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