

## Report Cards

Students receive grades for each semester. Their report cards are available for viewing on Skyward a week after the end of the semester.

Students do not receive an overall course grade, but rather a mark indicating their proficiency level for each essential standard and soft skill.



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**GRADING AT  
ST. ANTHONY  
MIDDLE SCHOOL**

A FAMILY'S GUIDE TO  
UNDERSTANDING  
PROFICIENCY-BASED GRADING

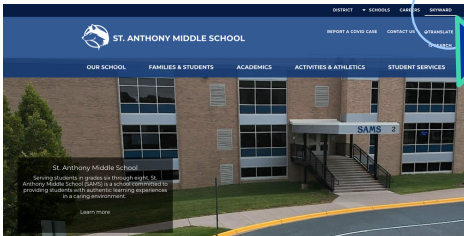
St. Anthony Middle School is a school committed to authentic learning in a caring environment where all learn and contribute.

## At SAMS, we believe:

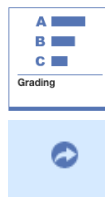
- ✓ All students can grow and learn at high levels.
- ✓ Student learning and motivation are improved when learning expectations are clear.
- ✓ Students want to engage in rigorous and relevant learning.
- ✓ Feedback is most helpful when it describes where a student is in their learning and what they can work on next.
- ✓ Students learn at different speeds; some may need more time to reach proficiency.
- ✓ Traditional grading practices (based on points) are inequitable and inaccurate measures of a student's knowledge and skills.

## Accessing Grades in Skyward

[www.sams.isd282.org](http://www.sams.isd282.org)



1. Click: SKYWARD in the upper right corner
2. Enter: Login information  
Contact Traci Adams for help:  
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3. Click: Grading tile
4. Click: Blue Arrow to view scores



## Essential Standard Scores

Each course has a set of standards that describe the big learning goals. Students receive scores on these standards through their performance on summative assessments (i.e. end-of-unit tests, projects, presentations, essays):

- EXC** Extending and Exceeding the Standard
- PROF** Consistently Demonstrating Proficiency of the Standard
- APRO** Approaching Proficiency of the Standard
- BEG** Beginning to Acquire Knowledge Related to the Standard
- M** Missing  
(Not done but can still be turned in)
- I** Incomplete  
(Not done and no longer able to be turned in)
- X** Exempt/Excused
- NG** No Grade

## Soft Skill Scores

Teachers will update scores mid-semester and at the end of a semester on how often students demonstrate different non-academic skills (i.e. leadership, collaboration) in each class.

- MOST** Most of the Time
- RARE** Rarely
- SOME** Sometimes
- NA** Not Applicable



## Formative Practice and Work Scores

In addition to essential standard scores, students will also receive feedback on their formative and practice work during the units (i.e. homework, quizzes, practice activities):

- EXP** Expected Growth at this Time
- LESS** Less Than Expected Growth
- ATTN** Needs Attention
- M** Missing  
(Not done but can still be turned in)
- I** Incomplete  
(Not done and no longer able to be turned in)
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- NG** No Grade