

Empower Learning



Empower is the district's learning management system that tracks students' grades. Empower is a platform created as a tool to manage Competency-Based instructional resources, evidence of student learning, and scores on assessments. Empower makes what's happening at school transparent for parents and students.

Students use Empower to access class content, submit assignments, take assessments, and view progress. Parents can see everything their child can see: course content, assignments, grades, and whether their child is "on pace."

<https://ritenour.empowerlearning.net>

Competency-Based Education in Ritenour School District

Did you know?

Your child's school is shifting toward **Competency Based Education (CBE)** to help teachers customize the way your child learns, according to his or her strengths and challenges.

CBE enables all students to:

- **Learn at a customized pace**—Progressing quickly in strength areas, and receiving extra help from teachers in challenging areas
- **Master knowledge and skills**—Demonstrating confidence and ability in one area of knowledge and skills before moving on to the next
- **Real-time student information**—At any time, students, parents, and teachers can see where a student is excelling and where they need additional time and extra help in order to grow



Elementary Schools (K-5)

PROFICIENCY SCALE LEVELS

<h1>1</h1> <p>BEGINNING</p> <p>I still need help and support from my teacher to do the simpler parts of the standard</p> 	<h1>2</h1> <p>DEVELOPING</p> <p>I am getting close to meeting expectation and I can do the simpler parts of the standard independently</p> 	<h1>3</h1> <p>PROFICIENT</p> <p>I meet the expectations described in the standard and can do them independently</p> 	<h1>4</h1> <p>EXCEEDING</p> <p>I have a deep understanding of the standard and can extend my learning</p> 
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Secondary Schools (6-12)

PROFICIENCY SCALE LEVELS

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**WHY
COMPETENCY
BASED
EDUCATION?**

**ALL
STUDENTS
MAKE PROGRESS
TOWARD
PROFICIENCY**

**LEARNING
TAKES TIME SO
LEARNING GOALS
ARE ASSESSED
OVER AN ENTIRE
YEAR**

**GRADES
ARE BASED
ON EVIDENCE OF
LEARNING, NOT
POINTS**

**STUDENTS
AND PARENTS
KNOW THE
ACADEMIC
TARGETS FOR
PROFICIENCY**

**STUDENTS
MAY START OFF
AS BEGINNING OR
DEVELOPING IN
THE EARLY
LEARNING
PHASE**

**STUDENTS
HAVE MORE
VOICE AND
CHOICE IN THEIR
LEARNING**

PROFICIENCY SCALE

4.0 

3.0 **PROFICIENT**

2.0 

1.0 

Helpful Terms:

- **Instructional Progression**—Shows the big goals for a course
- **Proficiency Scale**—Shows each level of learning for an academic standard
- **EMPOWER**—Ritenour’s new Learning Management System that will track your student’s grades