

## Meyerland Performing and Visual Arts Middle School 2025-26 Grading Policy

### Grade Category Weights (**Grades 6-8 Subjects**):

- **Common Assessments:** 30%
- **DOLs/Checks for Understanding:** 15%
- **Classwork:** 45% (Science will place labs in this category as well)
- **Homework:** 10%

### Grade Category Weights (**High School Credit Subjects**):

- **Common Assessments:** 40%
- **DOLs/Checks for Understanding:** 20%
- **Classwork:** 30%
- **Homework:** 10%

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### Demonstrations of Learning (DOLs):

- **Each content takes at least two DOLs per week.**
  - For Reading and Math- since you complete two lessons per day, you will use the DOL from the 2<sup>nd</sup> lesson as the grade. Rationale: Based on lessons building on themselves, giving students more foundation to support mastery of content, & reduce the amount of grades added to the grade book per week.
  - Short Weeks- Only one DOL will be required.
- **Formative Assessment:** As per **HISD policy**, DOLs are considered formative and **cannot be retaken**.
- **Standardized Grading Scale for DOLs:** This structure aligns more closely to **STAAR** and supports the reduction of failure traps with students for the grading period.
  - 5/5- 100%
  - 4/5- 90%
  - 3/5- 75%
  - 2/5- 65%
  - 1/5- 50%
  - 0/5- 40%

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### Common Assessments:

- Students who score **below 70%** are eligible to **retake** the assessment.

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### Extra Time Accommodations:

- Students with **extra time accommodations** must be given **time and a half** or the **specific amount of time outlined in their IEP/504 plan**.