



# Union Middle School Disclosure



## Academic Grades:

The primary goal of grading is to provide high quality feedback to parents and students enabling all to clearly understand a student's progress, how to appropriately support the learning process and encourage student success.

## Weighted Grading:

Grades at Union Middle School will be determined by assessments and assignments weighted as follows:

- Assessments will be weighted as **80%** of the grade
- Assignments will be weighted as **20%** of the grade

## Grading Scale:

A: Exceeding Standards	90-100
B: Meeting Standard	80-89
C: Approaching Standards	70-79
D: Just Starting	60-69
NP: Not Proficient	59 and below

## Late Work:

Late worked will be accepted for each term until the following dates at **3:00 pm**:

Quarter 1	Wednesday, October 18
Quarter 2	Friday, January 12
Quarter 3	Friday, March 9
Quarter 4	Friday, May 25

## Citizenship Grades:

Citizenship Grades will be based on a student's behavior and tardies.

Citizenship Grade	Behavior	Tardies
H: Exceeding Standards	Student behavior serves as a model for peers, is consistent with UMS CATS Code and no Think-Times	3 or less per term
S: Meeting Standards	Student behavior is consistent with UMS CATS Code and no more than 1 Think-Times	4 per term
N: Needs Improvement	Student behavior is inconsistent with UMS CATS Code no more than 2 Think-Times, and no more than 2 Office Referrals	5 per term
U: Not Meeting Standards	Student behavior showed little to no efforts towards the UMS CATS Code, 3 Think-Times, and more than 2 Office Referrals	6 or more per term

## **Backpacks:**

Backpacks will **not** be allowed in classes. Students will need to use their time between classes to retrieve materials they need from their locker. Their binder/notebook for each class should have extra paper as well as a pencil-pouch with extra pencils. If a student brings their backpack to class, they will be asked to return to their locker and may be marked tardy.

Students will be allowed to bring a string backpack to class. The string backpack must be small enough to slide under the student's desk. Union Middle School will be providing each student with a string backpack.

## **Technology:**

When technology (cell phone, tablet, iPod, MP3 player, etc.) is seen, heard or used without teacher permission, it will be taken to the attendance office. After the first offense, a student can pick up the device from the attendance office at the end of the day. After the second offense a parent or guardian will need to pick up the device from the office.

## **School Computer Use:**

The computers/tablets at Union Middle School enhance the learning experience of students. Students who show respect for this equipment can enjoy this privilege.

- During the time students are using a school computer/tablet, they are financially responsible for the computer/tablet, the course materials, and the printer they use. Damage to the machines or software due to student abuse or negligence will be charged to the responsible student(s).
- No student may use a computer/tablet without permission and supervision of a teacher.
- Appropriate behavior is expected of all students using computers/tablets. Inappropriate behavior will result in the loss of all computer/tablet privileges.
- Food, gum, or drink is not allowed around the computers, tablets or printers at any time.
- Any problems with the computers/tablets, the software or the printers should be reported to the teacher immediately. A student should not attempt to fix any machine or program. If a problem arises, the student should notify his/her teacher for assistance.
- Log-ins and passwords should be kept confidential at all times.

## **Canvas:**

For class websites, many classes use an online program called Canvas (<https://canyons.instructure.com/login/ldap>). Students will be required to log on for assignments and assessments. If students do not have access to a computer/tablet at home, there are computers available in the school library before and after school. Canvas is also the website that students will access to view assignments when absent.

## **Online Grades:**

Student grades for all classes will be available at: <http://www.skyward.canyonsdistrict.org>

## **Multi-Media:**

Throughout the year, student will be shown clips that are rated G and PG for educational purposes. By signing below, you are giving your student permission to watch G and PG clips.

## **Food and Drink:**

Any food or drink, other than water, is not allowed in classrooms. If there is a medical need for food (i.e. diabetes), then the student needs to speak with their teachers to make them aware of this accommodation.

## **Plagiarism/Cheating:**

Union Middle School will be working conscientiously on citation this year; therefore, under no circumstance will plagiarism/cheating be tolerated in any classes. For plagiarism/cheating, students will redo the assignment and parents will be notified. If plagiarism/cheating continues, students will be referred to administration.

## **Attendance:**

Attendance is an essential component to a student's academic success. When a student is absent, it is their responsibility to get the work they missed from their teachers and turn in the missing work. Students who are more than 10 minutes late to a class will be considered *unexcused absent*. Parent/Guardian are responsible for contacting the attendance office to excuse an absence.

## **Tardies:**

Students are on time if they are in their assigned seats with their learning materials before the bell stops ringing. If students are not in their assigned seats and/or do not have their learning materials ready, they will be marked tardy. If students receive **5** tardies, they will receive a lunch detention. For tardies above **5**, students will meet with administration and additional interventions will be implemented.





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After reading the disclosure, please return this page to your social studies teacher, by **Friday September 1<sup>st</sup>**. Retain the disclosure for future reference.

By signing below, I acknowledge I have read and understand the information presented in the disclosure and I will do my best to meet the expectations presented.

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
(please print clearly)

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

As a parent/guardian of a Union Middle School student, by signing below I acknowledge I have read and understand the information presented in the disclosure and I will support my student(s) in keeping his/her learning and commitments.

Parent/Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
(please print clearly)

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_