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Dear Parents and Students:

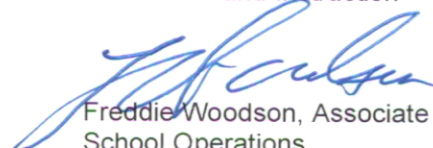
The purpose of this letter is to address the issue that has been created by the Individual Assignment Grade Determination Chart that was distributed to all schools implementing the District's electronic gradebook. In an effort to bring parity between a numerical grade scale and a letter grade scale, a conversion chart for individual assignments was developed by a committee composed of electronic gradebook managers, principals, United Teachers of Dade (UTD) representatives, and staff from Curriculum and Instruction, School Operations, and Information Technology Services. It has become evident that a discrepancy exists in this conversion chart.

The committee has been directed to reconvene to address the disparity prior to the nine-week grades being calculated and posted. In order to ensure that community representation and stakeholder perspective are evident in the final resolution, the committee will include as part of its membership three parent representatives selected by the Board of the Dade County Council PTA/PTSA.

We would like to assure parents that until this issue is resolved, the status quo remains as it pertains to grade assignments. As soon as the Individual Assignment Grade Determination Chart is finalized, all stakeholder groups will be notified and all student grades up to date will be recalculated using the final grading chart.

Sincerely,


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