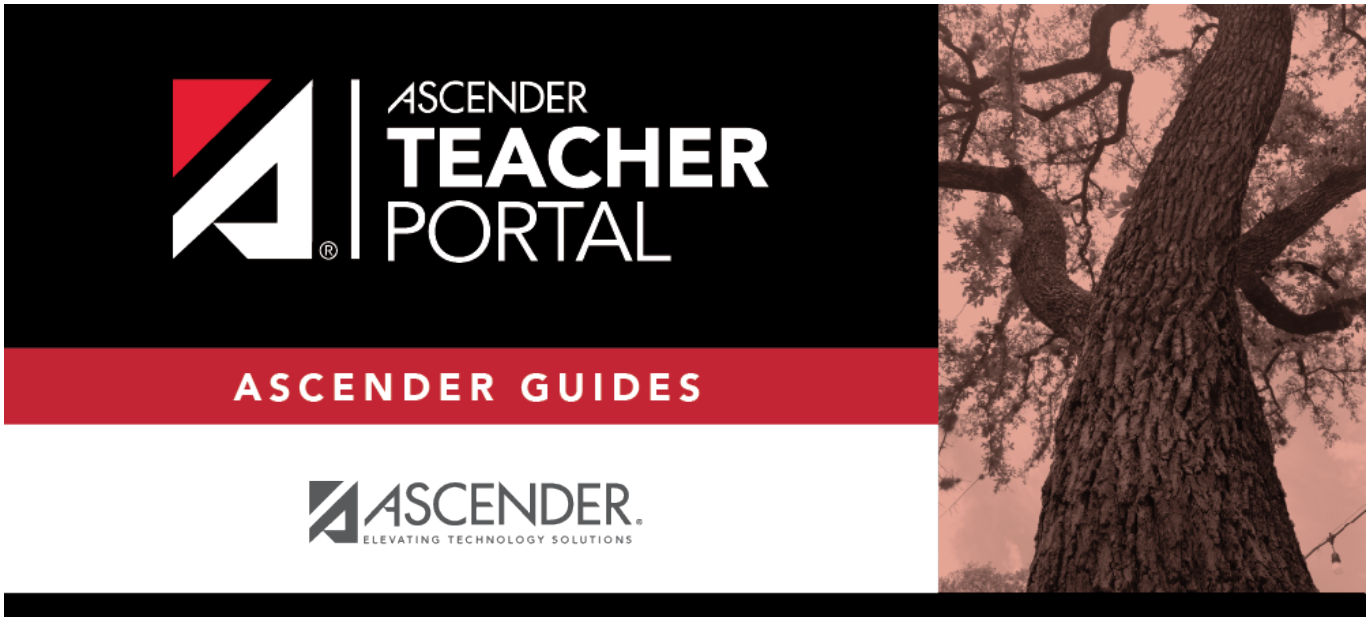
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Teacher Guide to ASCENDER TeacherPortal

Overview

Welcome to ASCENDER TeacherPortal!

- Teachers must re-register each year before logging on, as all TeacherPortal non-administrative user accounts are deleted at the end of each school year. **Administrative user accounts are retained.**
- To register, you must provide your staff ID and name. You must be associated with the district for the current school year. Upon registering, you will create your user name, password, and PIN.
- A staff ID can be associated with multiple user accounts, which allows you to have both a teacher account and one or more administrator accounts. The user name must be different for each account.

IMPORTANT: Upon initial account creation or log on to the portal, the End User License Agreement (EULA) for ASCENDER is displayed. Users must accept the agreement in order to proceed.

NOTE:

- If you forgot your password or PIN, click **Forgot Password** on the Login page to go to the Reset Password page where you can reset your password using an automated process.
- If you forgot your user name, click **Forgot User Name**.

Teachers who do not have administrative access are directed to the Announcements page upon logging on. The Admin menu is not displayed in the main menu, and some reports that require administrative access are not displayed in the Reports submenu.

- Teachers of courses where students must meet UIL eligibility requirements (e.g., band or athletics) can be granted access to the UIL report in the Reports menu. The UIL report allows a

teacher to view the students' working cycle averages for all of their courses to determine UIL eligibility and locate students who may be at risk of losing eligibility.
- Teachers can be given permission to create campus-wide or course-wide groups of students in TeacherPortal. Special group reports are available that provide data for the student groups.

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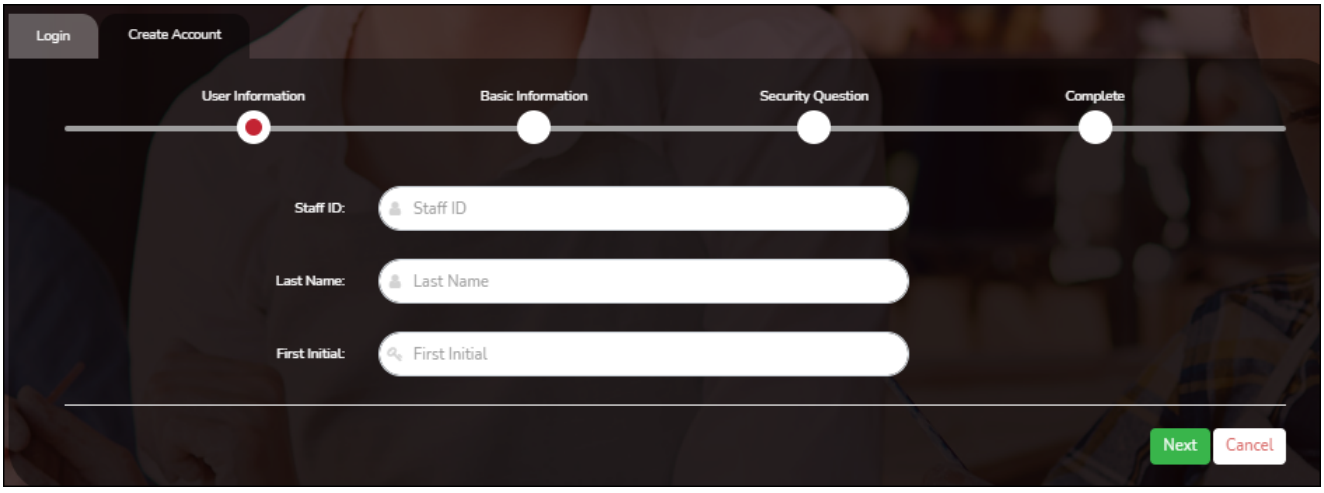
Access TeacherPortal

Create an ASCENDER TeacherPortal account.

❑ From the Login page, click **Create Account**. The User Information page is displayed.

To exit without saving any changes, click **Return to Login**.

User Information:

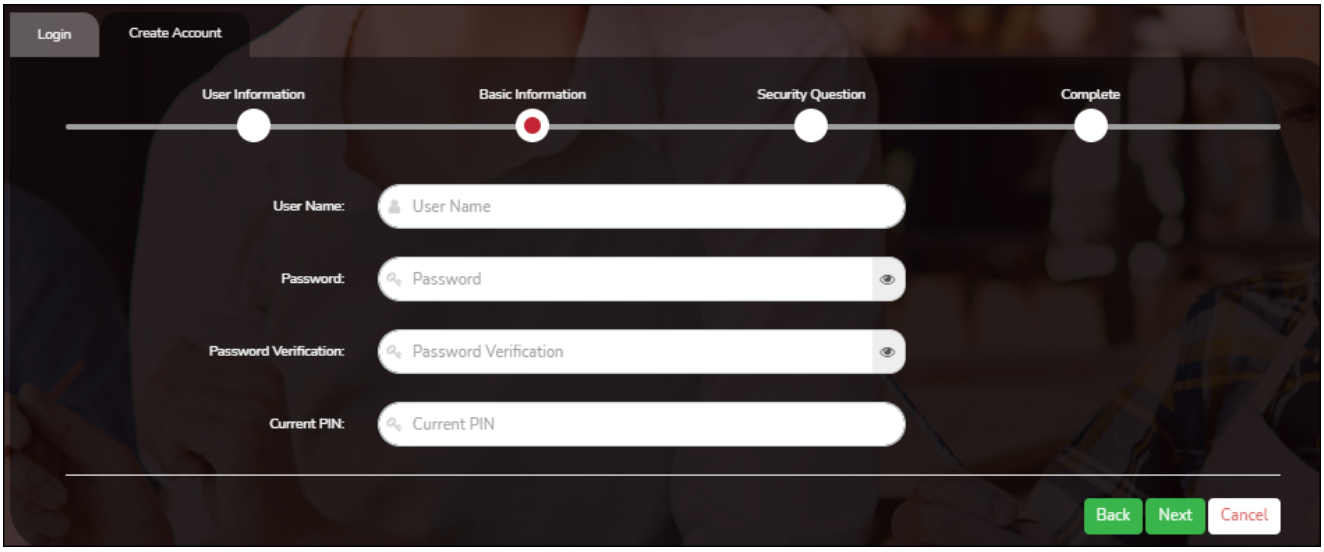


Staff ID	Type your staff ID number.
Last Name	Type your last name
First Initial	Type the first letter of your first name.

❑ Click **Next**.

If you entered the data correctly, the Basic Information step opens.

Basic Information:



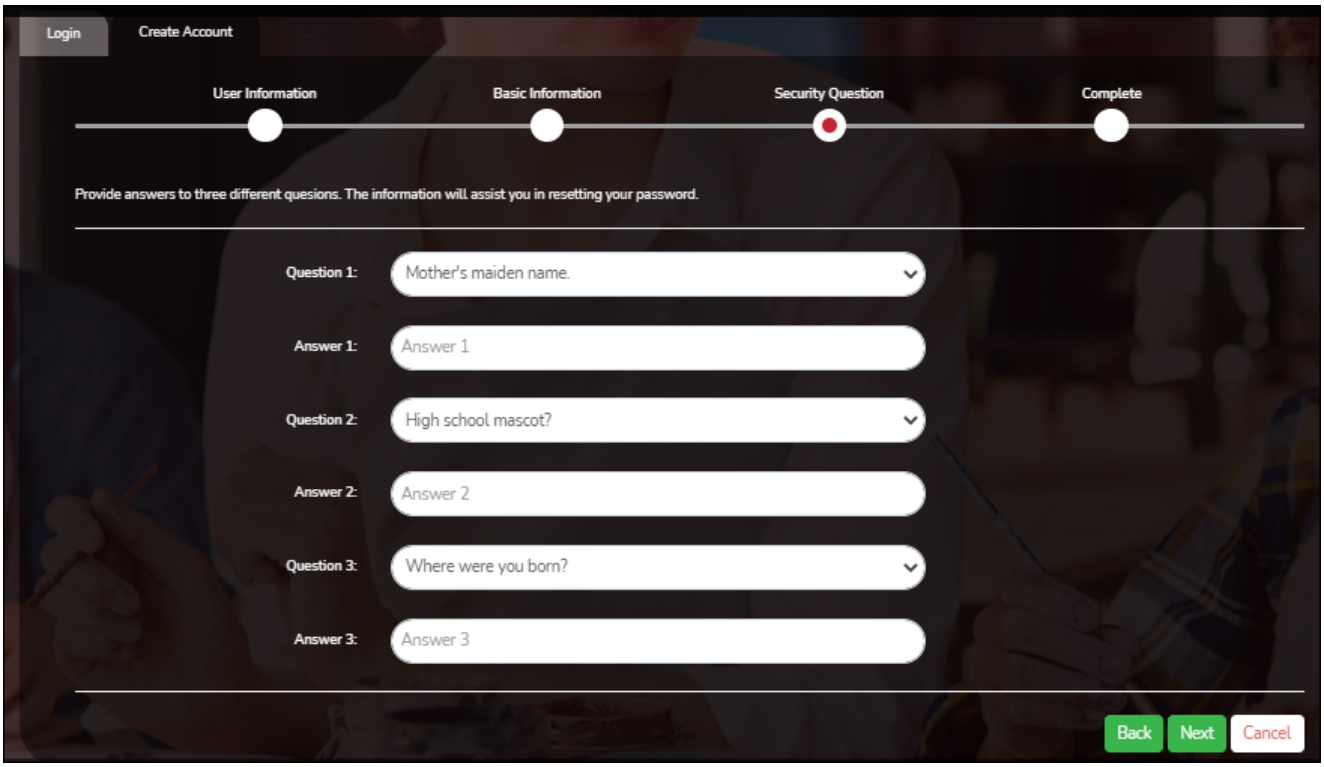
User Name	Type a unique user name that will identify you when you log on to the system, such as a combination of letters from your first and last name. • Your user name must be 6-25 alphanumeric characters and must be unique within the district. • Your user name is not case-sensitive. • If you type a name that is already used, available alternatives are suggested.
Password	Type a password that you will use when you log on to TeacherPortal. Requirements: Between 16 and 46 characters. Must include at least one of each of the following character types: • Uppercase letters (A–Z) • Lowercase letters (a–z) • Numbers (0–9) • At least one allowed special character
Password Verification	Retype the password exactly as you typed it above. This step confirms that you typed your password as you intended.

PIN	Type a four-digit numeric personal identification number (PIN) that you will use when you post data in TeacherPortal. **Avoid using 1234, 4321, or all the same number, as these are common and easily guessed.**

❑ Click **Next**.

If you entered all required data correctly, the Security Question step opens.

Security Question:



Question	Select three questions to which you will provide an answer. The questions are asked in the event that you forget your password. You must select three different questions. You cannot repeat any questions/answers.
Answer	Type the answer to each question. If you forget your password, you will be required to answer the question correctly in order to recover your account. Be sure to select questions for which you will easily remember your answer. Answers are case sensitive.

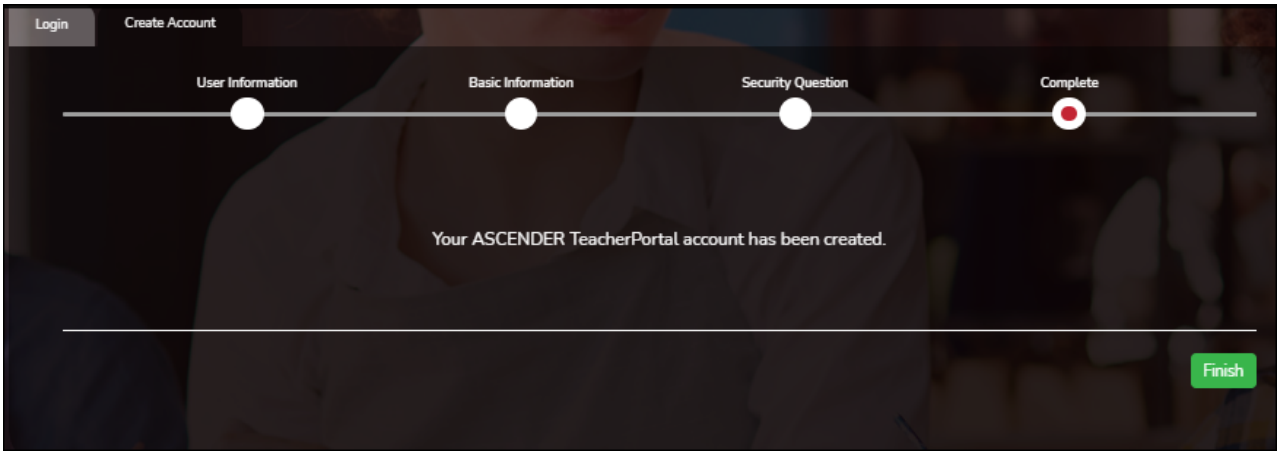
License Agreement

Review and accept the End User License Agreement (EULA) for ASCENDER. This agreement must be accepted in order to proceed.

❑ Select **Accept**.

❑ Click **Next**.

If you entered all required data, the Complete page opens.



❑ Click **Finish**.

The Announcements page opens.

Log on to TeacherPortal.

To access TeacherPortal, you must log on. If you are a new user and do not have a user name, you must create a user name.

Returning teachers must re-register each year before logging on, as all TeacherPortal non-administrative user accounts are deleted at the end of each school year. Administrative user accounts are retained.

WARNING: If you have three unsuccessful attempts to log on (invalid user name/password combinations), the system locks out your account. If your account is locked out, please contact your campus administrator to have your account reset.

If the district has disabled TeacherPortal, the message “TeacherPortal is Unavailable” is

displayed.

User Name	Type your user name. Your user name is not case-sensitive.
Password	Type your password. The typed text is hidden. Your password is case sensitive.

❑ Click **Login**.

The Announcements page is displayed.

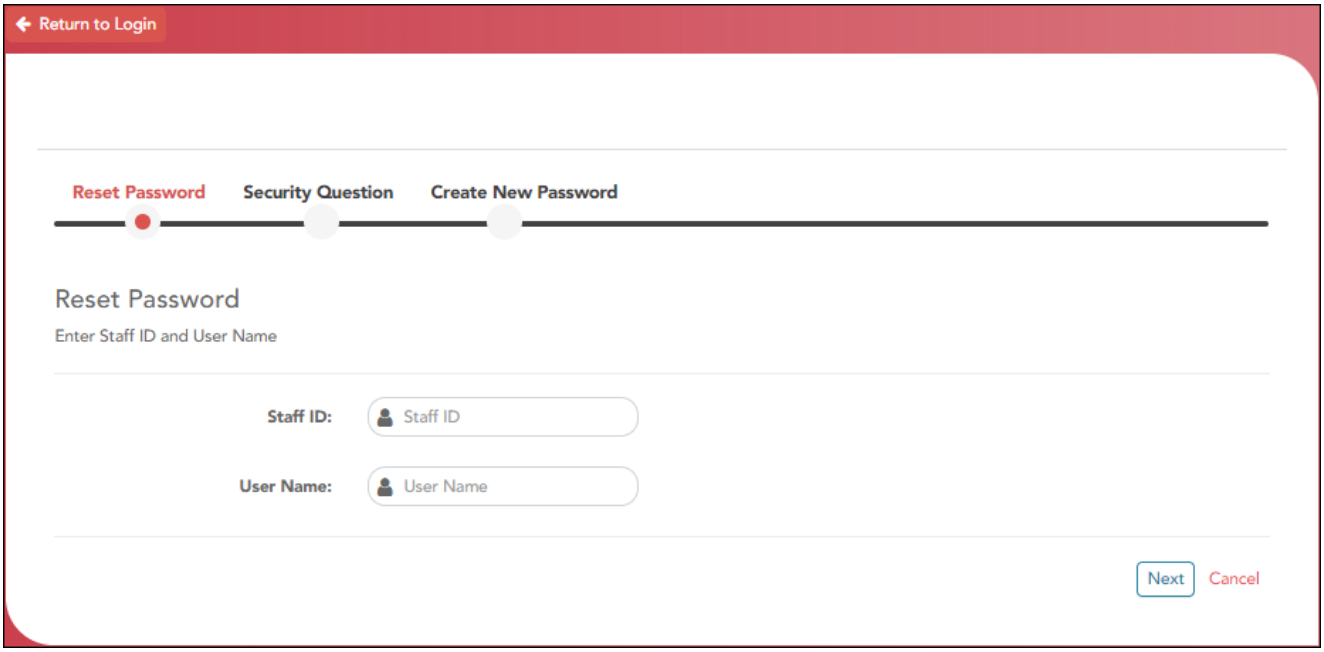
For security purposes, your password will expire periodically. If your password is expired, you are redirected to the Password Expired page before the Announcements page is displayed. Follow the instructions provided in the online Help for the Password Expired page.

Reset your password.

Login Page > Reset Your Password

The Reset Password page allows you to reset a forgotten password or change your password. To

reset your password, you must know your staff ID, user ID, and the correct answer to one of your password hint questions; otherwise, you must contact your campus administrator to have your account reset.



❑ From the Login page, click **Reset Password**.

The Reset Password page opens.

❑ To exit the Reset Password function without saving any changes, click **Return to Login**.

Reset Password

Staff ID	Type your six-digit district-assigned staff ID number.
User Name	Type the user name you created when you registered for TeacherPortal.

❑ Click **Next**.

If you entered the data correctly, the Security Question step opens.

Security Question:

Answer	One of your hint questions is displayed, as established in your User Profile. Type the answer to your hint question exactly as it appears in your profile.

❑ Click **Next**.

If you entered the data correctly, the Create New Password step opens.

Create New Password:

Password	Type a new password. You cannot reuse your last password. Requirements: Between 16 and 46 characters. Must include at least one of each of the following character types: • Uppercase letters (A–Z) • Lowercase letters (a–z) • Numbers (0–9) • At least one allowed special character
Confirm Password	Retype the password exactly as you typed it above. This step confirms that you typed your password as you intended.

❑ Click **Finish**.

Navigate TeacherPortal.

Navigation tools are located along the left side of the page, or in the top-right corner. Some tools function differently on mobile devices.

MOBILE DEVICE USERS: On a mobile device, tap to access the side menu.

District & Campus

The district and campus you are logged onto are listed at the top of the navigation bar. If you currently teach courses at more than one campus, select which campus to view.

Teacher

Your name is displayed as it is entered at the district's Human Resources department.

Navigation

Some pages and information are only available if enabled by the district.

Attendance - You can post and view attendance.

Grades - You can enter assignment grades, as well as cycle and semester grades.

Reports - You can access a variety of teacher reports.

Discipline - You can enter discipline referrals and view the status of existing referrals.

Settings - You can manage your user profile, class settings, and more.

Admin - If you are logged on with a district- or campus-level administrator account, you can access additional administrator pages.

Other Tools

- Click to hide the left-side navigation bar. Click again to display the navigation bar.

- Various sections throughout TeacherPortal can be collapsed or expanded. Most data is expanded by default. Click to hide the section from view. Click to show the section.

Print button - Various pages throughout TeacherPortal can be printed. Use the print button instead of the browser's print option to ensure the best formatting of the content.

Top-right

- Click to view ASCENDER TeacherPortal online Help.

- Click to log out of ASCENDER TeacherPortal.

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TeacherPortal Setup

Beginning of the school year:

The following tasks should be done at the beginning of the year and not modified during the year.

(Optional) Create course groups.

Settings > Manage Course Groups

Course Grouping Flow Chart

This page allows you to group courses by semester, which allows you to enter grades, manage categories and assignments, and copy categories and assignments for multiple sections at the same time (e.g., if you teach multiple section of Algebra I) without having to switch from section to section.

> **IMPORTANT:** You must group your courses at the beginning of the semester before any categories are added.

Once you have grouped the courses, all categories and assignments for the courses will match. The courses will be displayed as grouped on the following pages:

- Grades > Assignment Grades
- Grades > IPR Comments
- Grades > Print IPR
- Reports > Class Roster
- Settings > Manage Assignments
- Settings > Manage Categories

The following courses cannot be added to a group:

- A standards-based or elementary skills-based course. Only category-based (i.e., regular) courses can be grouped.
- A course that does not exist in the selected semester.
- A course that has already been added to another group, either for the current teacher or a prior teacher. The message “Exists in another group” will be displayed next to the course in the **Ineligible Courses** list.
- A course that has any categories already set up. The message “Already has categories” will be displayed next to the course in the **Ineligible Courses** list.
- A course that has any students who are in another course already added to the group.
- A self-paced course.

The following restrictions also apply:

- A course cannot be added to a group if the group has any categories already set up.
- If the course-section is part of a group, and the teacher for a course changes during the year, the new teacher will not be able to add the course to a group. The message “Exists in another group” will be displayed next to the course in the **Ineligible Courses** list.

  This can be resolved.

  To resolve this issue so that the new teacher can add the course to a group, a TeacherPortal administrator must delete the course from the original teacher's group as follows:

  1. Log on to TeacherPortal and impersonate the new teacher.
  2. While impersonating the new teacher, go to Settings > Manage Courses. Retrieve the course-section, and then click ✖ to delete the course from the group.
  3. Click **Save**.
  4. Repeat for all applicable courses.

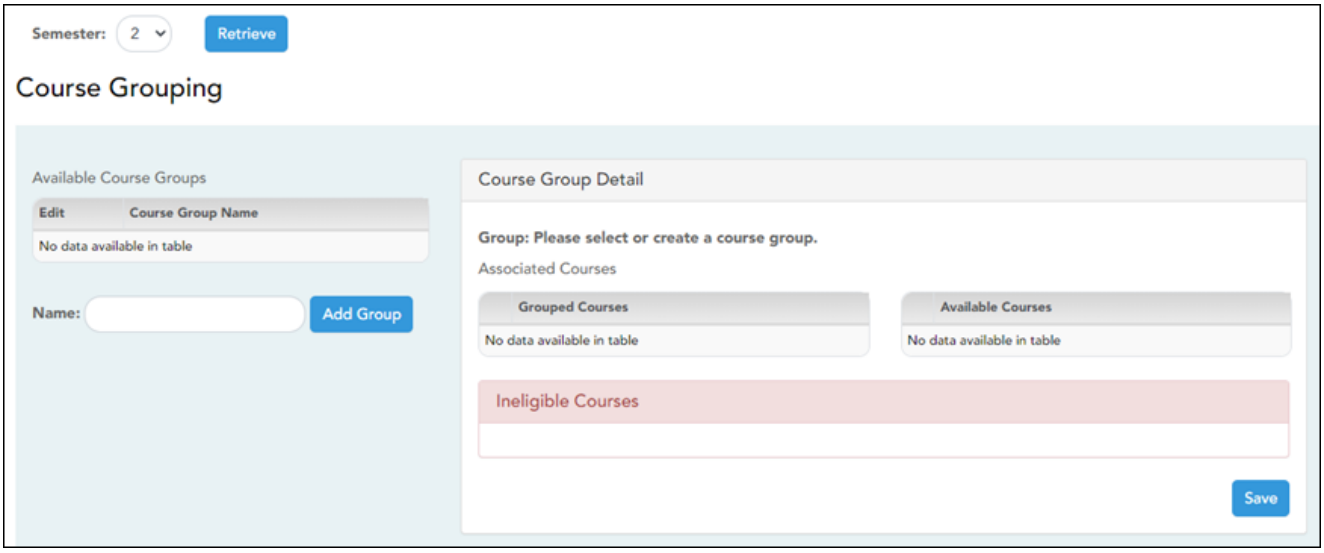
- You must be the class role 01 teacher (i.e., Teacher of Record) for the course in order to add the course to your group. Class role 02 and 03 teachers for the course cannot add the course to a group.

  If the class role 01 teacher becomes unavailable (e.g., long-term leave)...

  If the class role 01 teacher becomes unavailable (e.g., long-term leave), and a

class role 02 or 03 teacher becomes responsible for the class, the courses must be un-grouped (i.e., the course must be deleted from the group). Otherwise, the class role 02 or 03 teacher will not be able to add any additional assignments for the class.

If the class role 01 teacher is unable to un-group his/her courses before leaving, an administrator can un-group the courses.



❑ Specify the semester:

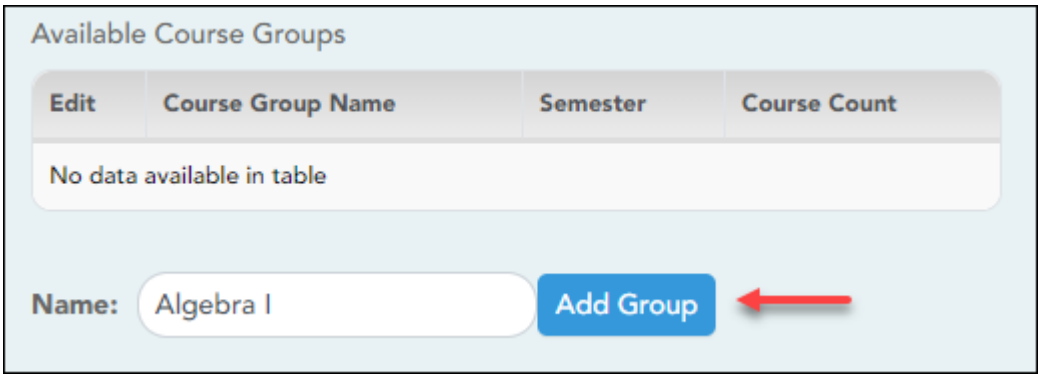
Semester	The current semester is displayed by default. You can select another semester.

❑ Click **Retrieve**.

❑ Under **Available Course Groups** (left grid):

Existing groups are listed. Otherwise, the message “No data available in table” is displayed.

Add a group:

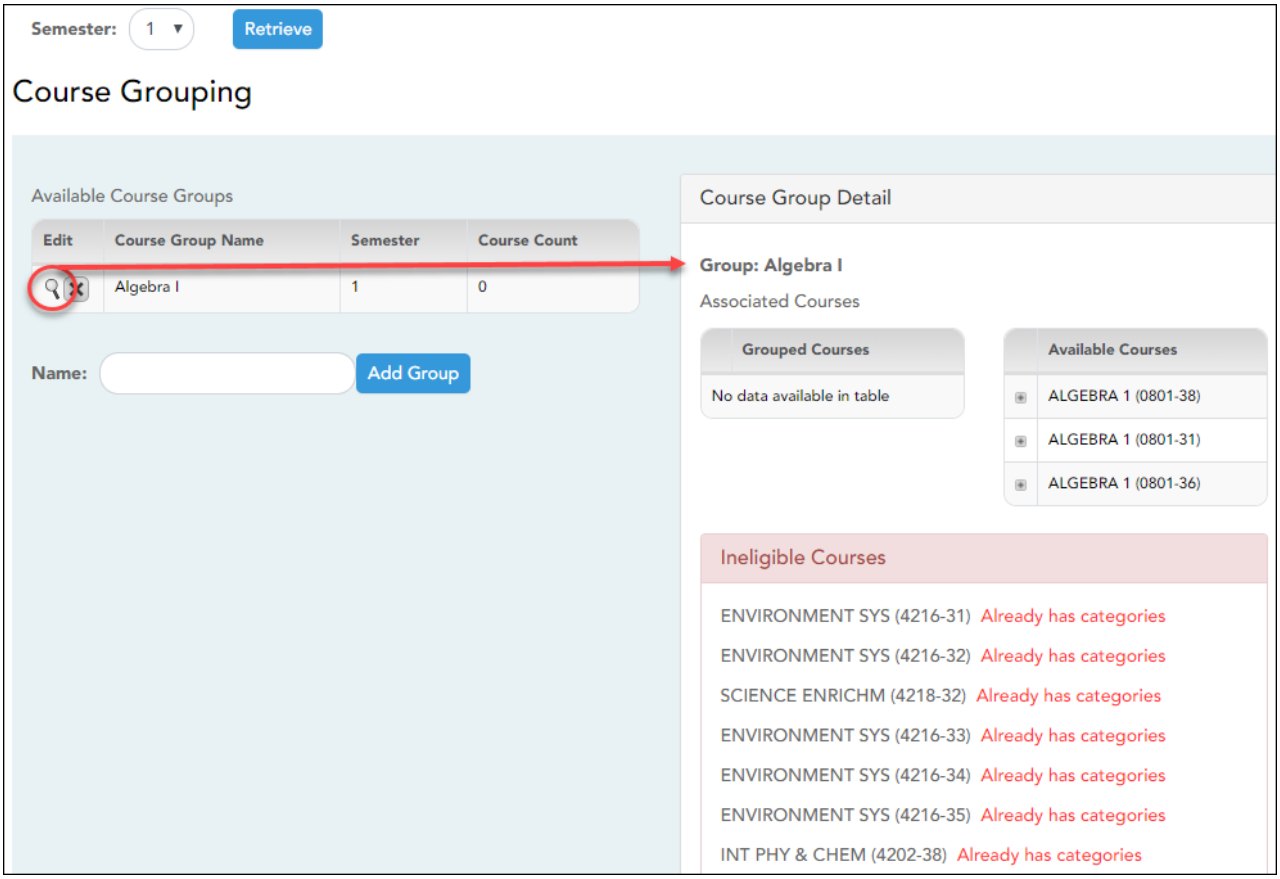


Name	To add a group, type a unique name for the group.

❑ Click **Add Group**.

The new group name is displayed under **Available Course Groups** (left grid).

❑ Click to add courses to the group.



❑ Under **Course Group Detail** (right grid):

Group	The selected group name is displayed. The default message, “Please select or create a course group” is displayed.
Grouped Courses	All the courses currently added to the selected group are listed. If no courses are added, the message “No data available in table” is displayed.
Available Courses	Any courses that can be added to the group are listed. Click for each course you want to add to the group. The course is moved to the **Grouped Courses** list.
Ineligible Courses	Any courses that cannot be added to the group (due to reasons described above on this page) are listed. An explanation of the course's ineligibility is displayed next to the course.
	Click to delete a course from the group. When deleting a course from a group during a semester (when a course-section has categories assigned), take caution. You are not prompted to confirm that you want to delete the course-section from the group. Once you delete a course-section with categories and click **Save**, the action cannot be undone.

❑ Click **Save**.

Edit a group:

❑ Under **Available Course Groups** (left grid):

Course Count	The number of courses currently added to the group is displayed.
	Click to view the group details. The details for the group are displayed on the right under **Course Group Detail**, and you can add or remove courses from the group.
	Click to delete a group. You are prompted to confirm that you want to delete the group. Click **OK**. A group can only be deleted if **Course Count** is 0.

Create assignment categories.

Settings > Manage Categories

This page allows you to establish categories that describe the types of assignments you will use in the selected semester and course-section.

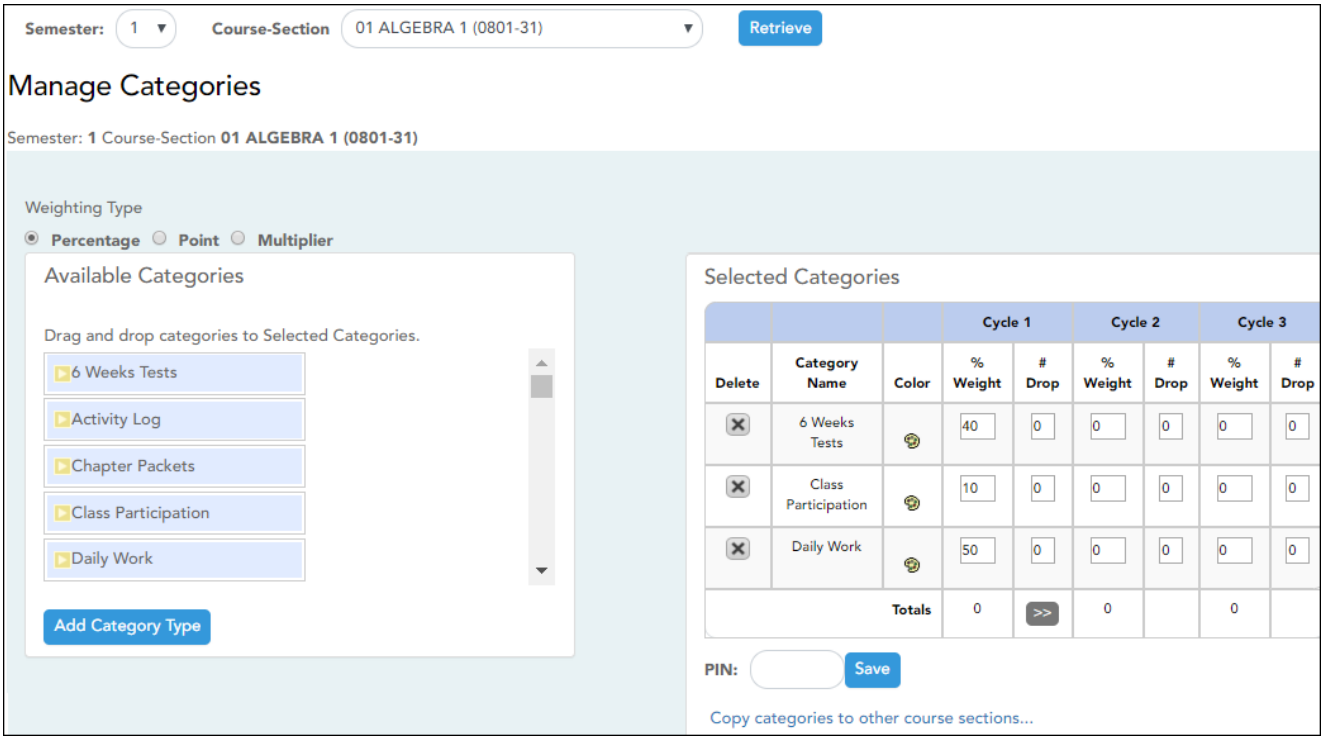
An initial set of categories, defined by the campus, is set at the beginning of the year. If you have an assignment that falls under a category that is not included in the list, you can create a new category, if allowed by the campus. The category you create is added to the master list and will be available for all teachers to use. The list of categories will continue to grow as you and the other teachers add categories.

For your selected categories, you must specify the type of weighting to use for calculating averages (percent-based, point-based, or multiplier-based). You can also assign your own category colors to enable color-coding of assignments on the Assignment Grades page.

From this page, you can also copy categories from one course to other course-sections.

This page is disabled for standards-based courses, because categories are not used for these courses.

This page should not be used for course-sections that are skills-based courses, because categories are not used for these courses.



About grouped course-sections and teacher changes:

If the course-section is part of a group, and the teacher for a course changes during the year,

the new teacher will not be able to make changes to categories. The following message will be displayed: “This course belongs to a group for another teacher. No category maintenance may be done except by that teacher.”

In order to resolve this issue so that the new teacher can maintain categories for the course, a TeacherPortal administrator must delete the course from the group. Then, the new teacher can create a new group if needed.

The administrative user must do the following:

1. Log on to TeacherPortal and impersonate the new teacher.
2. While impersonating the new teacher, go to Manage Courses. Select the course-section, and then click to delete the course from the group. Repeat for all applicable courses.
3. Click **Save**.

❑ Specify a course-section:

Semester	Select the semester to set up categories for.
Course-Section	Select the course-section to set up categories for.

❑ Click **Retrieve**.

The available categories are listed under **Available Categories**, and your current category list for the selected course-section is displayed under **Selected Categories**.

❑ Under **Weighting Type**:

Select the weighting type to use for the categories. You must use the same weighting type for all cycles in a semester.

Percentage	If selected, you must assign percentages to each category. The percentages must total 100%.
Point	Point values are determined when the assignment is created. They are not entered on the Manage Categories page. Point values for each category accumulate as assignments are added. When using point-based weighting, the categories are only used for grouping similar assignments. The calculation is based on the total points, not weighting.
Multiplier	If selected, you must provide a multiplier number (between 1-9) for each category. For multipliers greater than one, the individual assignment grades are counted multiple times.

See the Calculate Averages guide for an explanation of calculating averages for each weighting type.

NOTE:

The category weight for current cycle can be changed for the current cycle, as long as grades have not been posted.

You cannot change the weighting type for the second semester of a two-semester course. The weighting type must be the same for all semesters of a course.

If you post an override cycle grade for a student even if there are no categories for the course, the weighting type is automatically set to percentage.

Each weighting type is only displayed if the campus allows the weighting type (or if the teacher has already started using the weighting type before the restriction was put in place). Any weighting types not allowed by the campus are not displayed. If you are using a weighting type that the campus decides to disallow partway through the current year, the following applies:

- You can continue to use the weighting type until the end of the current year. After the current year, that weighting type will no longer be available.
- If you select another weighting type during the current year, you will not be able to reselect the disallowed weighting type.

If a category is specific to a particular weighting type (as specified at the campus level), the category is only displayed on this page if the appropriate weighting type is selected.

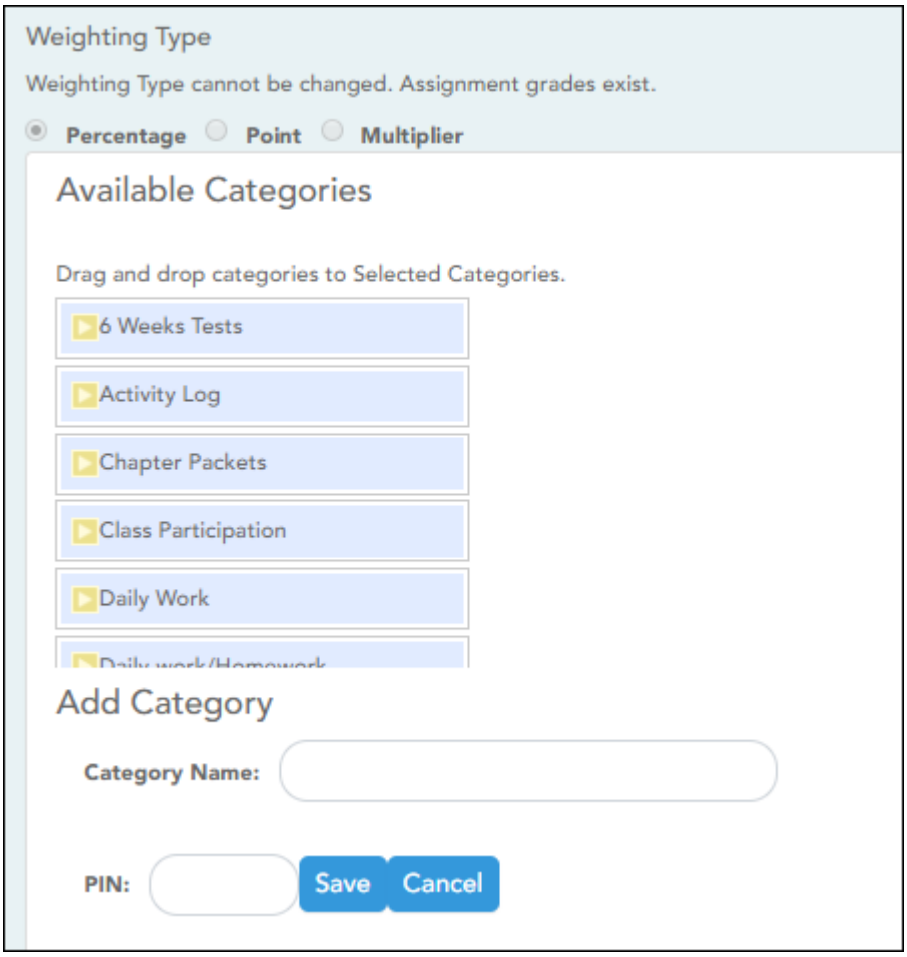
❑ Under **Available Categories** (left side):

The available categories are listed in alphabetical order.

If a category weight is locked (by campus admin), a lock icon is displayed next to the category name. The weight specified by the campus must be used and cannot be changed.

❑ Click **Add Category Type** to add a new category to the list of available categories.

The **Add Category** section is displayed below the available categories.



NOTE: If the campus disallows teachers from adding categories, the **Add Category Type** button is disabled; you must use the categories established by the campus.

Add Category	**Category Name**	Type the name of the new category. You cannot type a name that is already included in the list of available categories. Type carefully to avoid spelling errors. Category names are case-insensitive (e.g., if “quiz” already appears in the list, you cannot add “Quiz”).
	PIN	Type your four-digit PIN.

❑ Click **Save**.
The new category is displayed in the list of available categories in alphabetical order. You can then add it to your **Selected Categories** list.
IMPORTANT: Once a category is added to the list of available categories, it cannot be deleted from the list. If you add a category by mistake, you must contact your campus administrator to have it removed at the campus level. The category cannot be removed if it has assignments associated with it.

❑ To add one of the **Available Categories** to the **Selected Categories** list, do one of the

following:

- Click-and-hold the category and drag it to the **Selected Categories** list.
- Click ▶ for the category.
- Double-click the category.

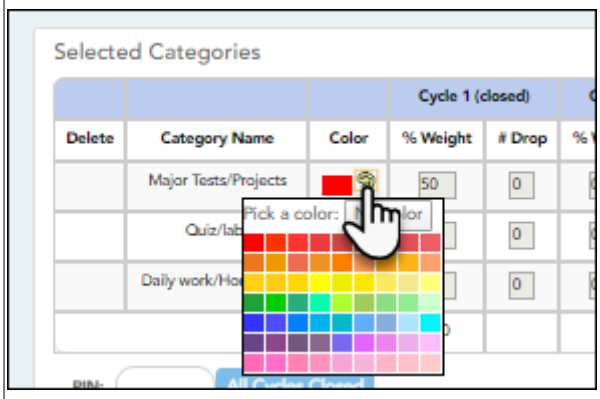
The category is added to the bottom of the **Selected Categories** list. If there is a default or locked weight, that weight is copied to all open cycles.

❑ Under **Selected Categories (right side)**:

All selected categories for the specified course-section are displayed for all cycles in the semester.

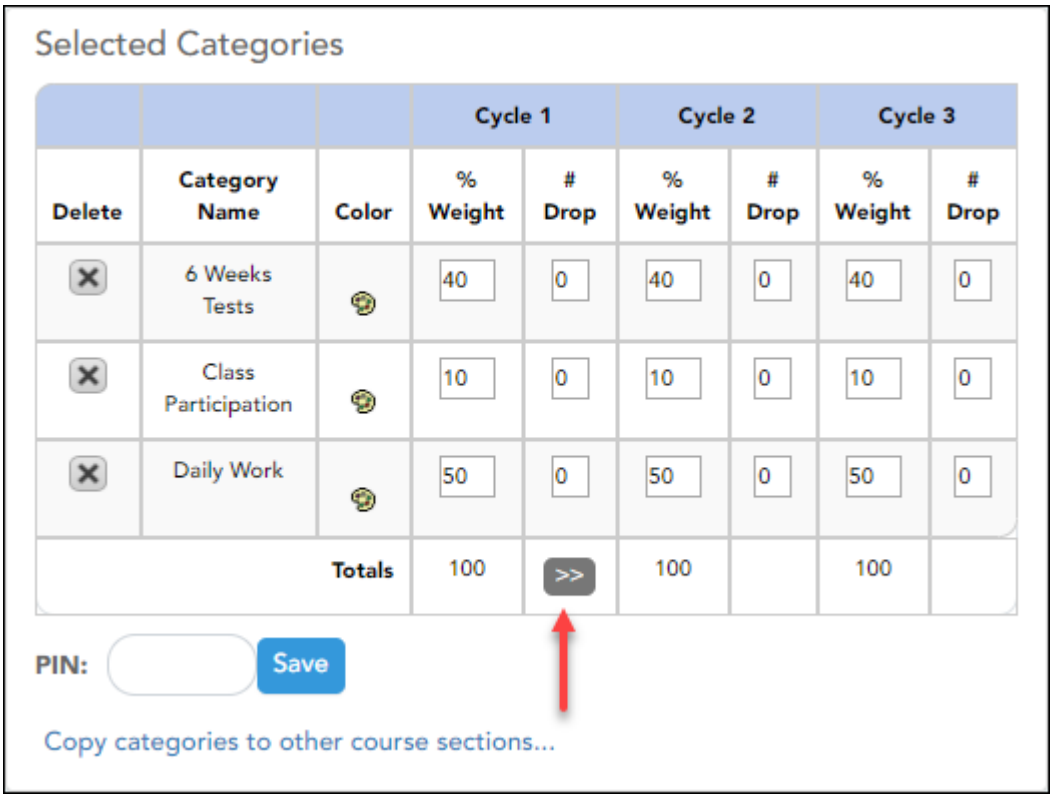
The table changes according to your selection in the **Weighting Type** field. For each cycle, the column heading is **% Weight**, **Points**, or **Multiplier** according to your selection.

Cycle #	If a cycle is closed, the column heading for the cycle displays **(closed)**, and the data cannot be changed.
% Weight	If the **Weighting Type** is **Percentage**, type the percentage for each category. The percentages must total 100% for the cycle. If you select a category created at the campus level, and the campus entered a weight for that category, the weight is displayed in the **% Weight** field for the category. You can change the weight, unless the campus locked the weight for the category. If the weight is locked, the weight is displayed in the field and cannot be changed.
Points	If the **Weighting Type** is **Point**, you cannot enter the total point values in the **Points** field. The field automatically displays the sum of the total points entered for all assignments for the category. For example, on the Administer Assignments page, if you enter five quizzes in the Quiz category, each with total points set to 100, the field displays 500.
Multiplier	If the **Weighting Type** is **Multiplier**, type a value between 1-9.

# Drop	For each cycle, type the number of items to be dropped during a cycle. For example, you may want to drop the student's three lowest grades from the homework category. The student's category average will always reflect the dropped grades. If you do not want to drop any grades from the category, type 0. Only non-excluded grades are dropped. If you exclude an assignment for a student on the Assignment Grades page, the assignment is not counted as one of the grades that will be dropped. Note that you can specify on the Manage Assignments page if you do not want to drop a specific assignment within the category. **WARNING:** If all assignments in the category do not have the same total points value (as entered on the Manage Assignments page), the calculations for dropping a specified number of assignments for the category may result in an average that is different than expected. If the total points value varies, the grade with the lowest number of points may not necessarily be the lowest grade.
Color	Click the icon to select a color for the category. A window opens allowing you to select a color. Click a color to select it.  The selected color is used to color-code assignments on the Assignment Grades page. By default, no color is assigned to the category. The color can be changed any time.
	Click to remove a category from your **Selected Categories** list. **NOTE:** You cannot delete a category that has assignments associated with it during any cycle. To delete a category, you must first delete all grades and assignments for the semester, including grades for withdrawn students. All grades must be deleted before you can delete assignments.

Copy values from one cycle to another:

After you enter the weighting type value and number of assignments to drop for cycle 1, you can click >> to copy the values to cycles 2 and 3.

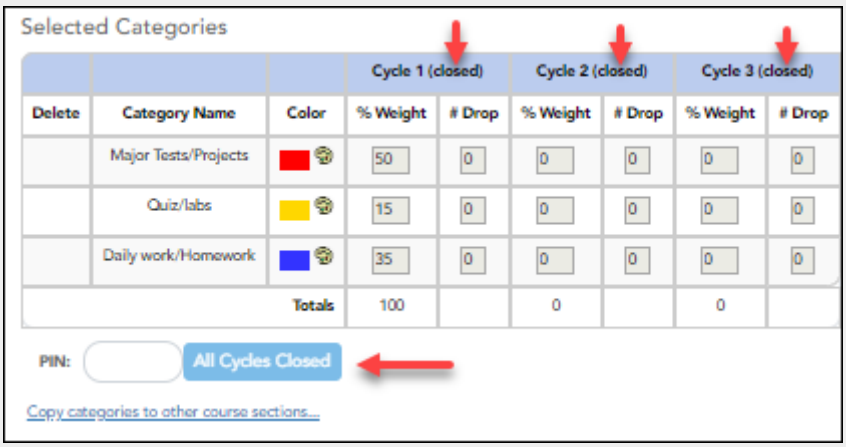


Save data:

PIN	Type your four-digit personal identification number (PIN).

❑ Click **Save**.

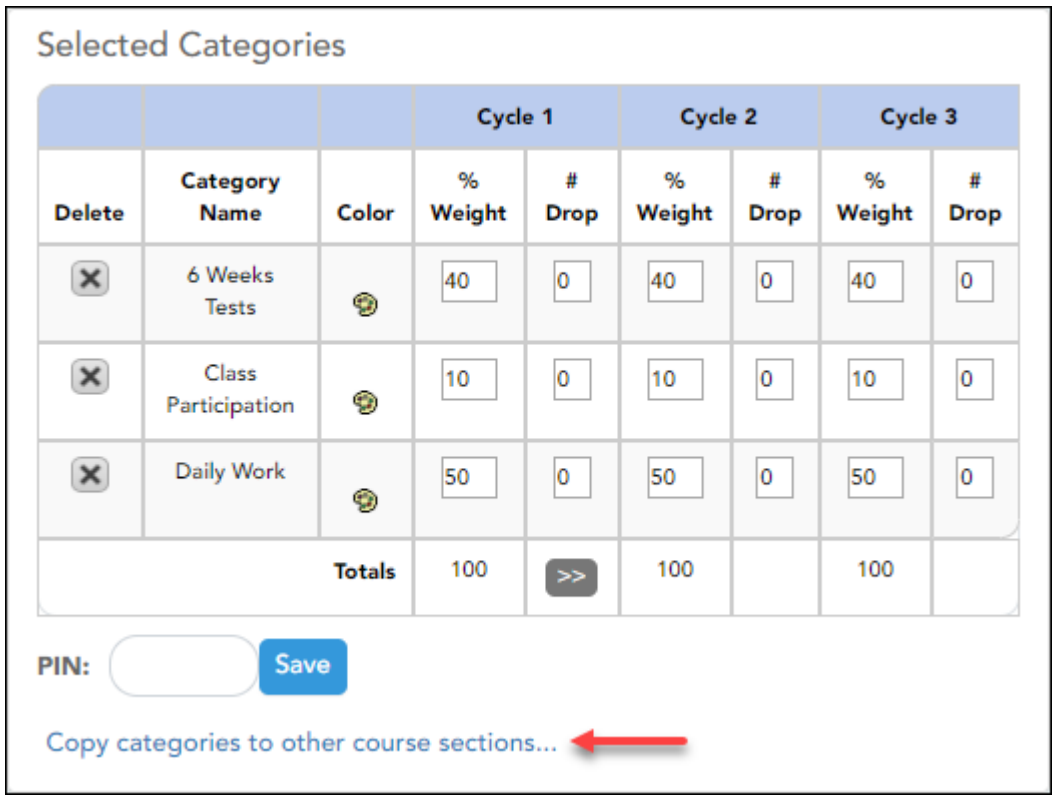
NOTE: If the cycle is closed, you cannot save any changes; the button is disabled. If applicable, the button says **All Cycles Closed**.



Copy categories from one course-section to another:

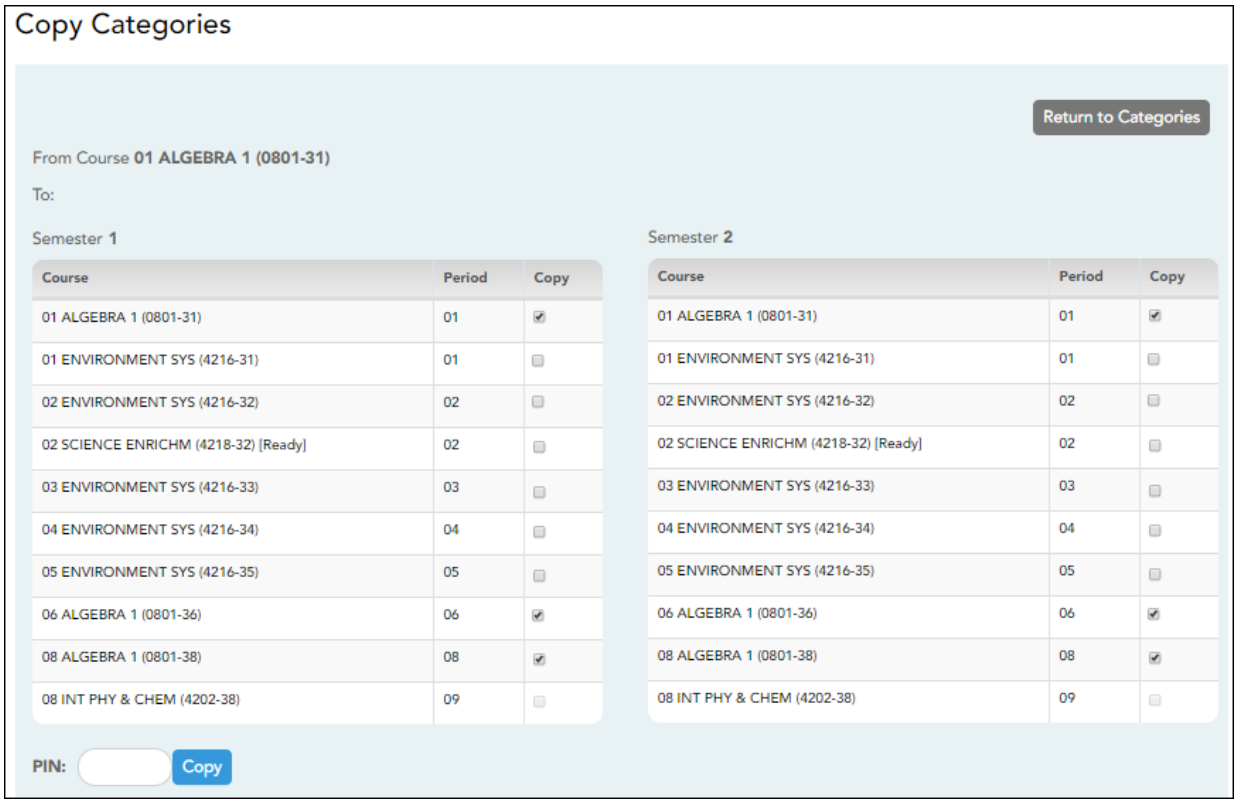
Once you save the categories for a course, you can copy the categories to another course-section.

❑ From the Manage Categories page, use the **Semester** and **Course-Section** fields to select the course-section *from* which to copy categories.



❑ Click **Copy categories to other course-sections**.

The Copy Categories page opens.



Your active courses are listed.

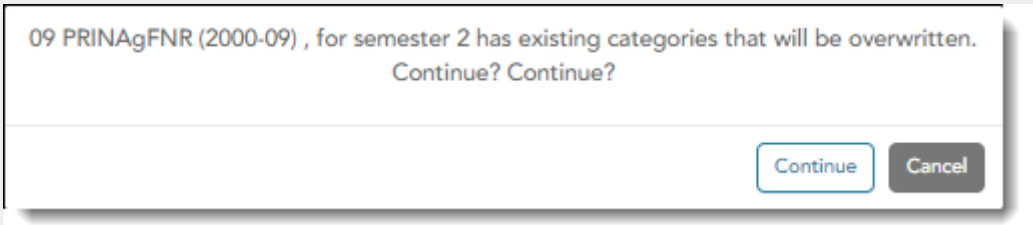
From	The course, period, and section from which you are copying categories is displayed.
Course	Click a course title to view the existing categories for the course. A window opens which displays the categories for the course. Click **OK** to close the window.

Copy	Select one or more courses to copy the categories *to*. **NOTE:** You cannot copy to courses that have categories with assignments; the check box for the course is disabled.

PIN	Type your four-digit personal identification number (PIN).

❑ Click **Copy**.

NOTE: If you attempt to copy categories to a course that already has categories (but no assignments), a warning message is displayed stating that you will override any categories that exist for the other course(s).



Click **Continue** if appropriate.

❑ Click **Return to Categories** to return to the Manage Categories page.

During the school year:

The following tasks should be done at the beginning of the year but can be modified during the year.

Create seating charts.

Settings > Manage Seating Charts

This page allows you to create and maintain seating charts for all of your classes. The seating chart lists the student name, gender, and ID. The seats are color coded by gender.

Seating charts in TeacherPortal are tied to the **1st Period Nbr** and **Last Period Nbr** fields on

ASCENDER > Attendance > Maintenance > Campus > Campus Attendance Options. The system uses these fields to determine which periods are available for seating charts and attendance posting.

Student seats can be rearranged at any time.

You must create a new seating chart for each semester of a course. If the course is more than one semester, you can copy the seating chart to subsequent semesters.

IMPORTANT: It is recommended that you set the **Combine Courses in Attendance** field on your Update Profile page the way you want it for the semester before creating the seating chart.

About combining and uncombining courses

If you change the setting of the **Combine Courses in Attendance** field, the data will be preserved as much as possible; however, you must then verify that your seating charts are correct for all periods, make the necessary changes, and then save the seating charts again.

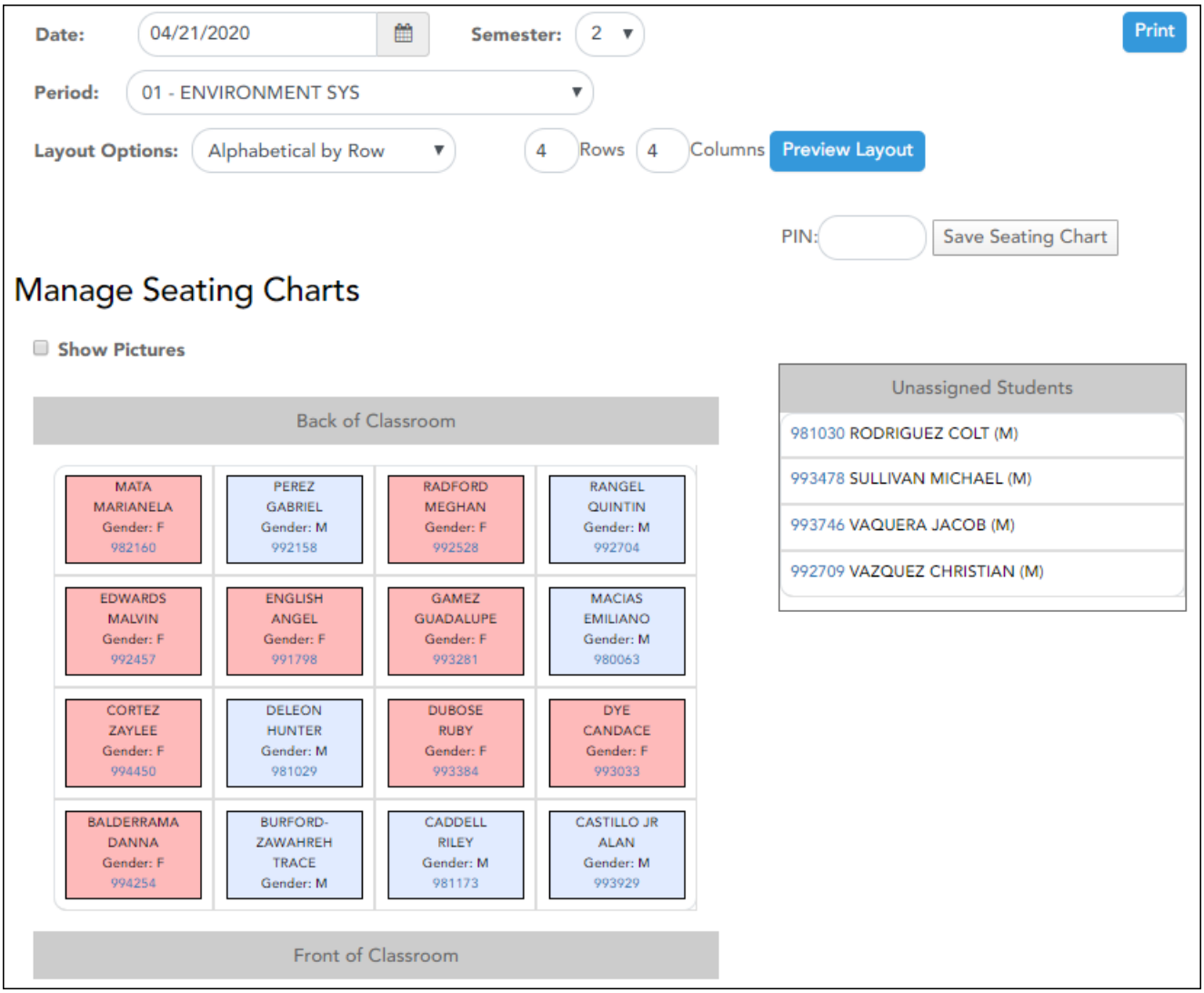
If you change the **Combine Courses in Attendance** field during the semester, the following applies:

- If **Combine Courses in Attendance** was not originally selected and you have only one course per period, you created a seating chart, and then you selected **Combine Courses in Attendance**, the seating chart is not affected; however, you must re-save the seating charts for all periods.
- If **Combine Courses in Attendance** was not originally selected and you have some periods with multiple courses (each with its own seating chart), you created a seating chart, and then you selected **Combine Courses in Attendance**, the following occurs when you retrieve one of the periods on the Seating Chart Setup page:
    - Only the seating chart for the first course in the list is preserved.
    - The remaining students are displayed under Unassigned Students.
    - If the first course in the list has no students enrolled, no seating chart is preserved. You must recreate the chart.
- If **Combine Courses in Attendance** was originally selected and you have only one course per period, you created a seating chart, and then you cleared **Combine Courses in Attendance**, the seating chart is not affected, you must re-save the seating charts for all periods.

- If **Combine Courses in Attendance** was originally selected and you have some periods with multiple courses, you created a seating chart for students from multiple courses, and then you cleared **Combine Courses in Attendance**, the following occurs when you retrieve a period/course on the Seating Chart Setup page:
    - Only the chart dimensions of the seating chart for the first period/course you attempt to edit is preserved.
    - Only seats for students enrolled in the course are preserved.
    - The remaining students are displayed under **Unassigned Students**.
    - You must recreate the chart for the other courses that were previously combined in the period.

If a student transfers to the class, he is listed under **Unassigned Students**.

If a student drops the course, his seat is blank.



Date	Type a date in the MMDDYYYY format, or click to select a date from the calendar. The date is used to verify current enrollment in the class. **NOTE:** If you are setting up a seating chart before the first day of school, enter the date of the first class.
Semester	The current semester is displayed by default. You can select another semester.
Period	Select the period-course to create a seating chart for. By default, the field displays the first period for which you have not posted attendance. **NOTE:** If **Combine Courses in Attendance** is selected on your Settings > Update Profile page, the courses are combined by period.

If a seating chart already exists for the period, the seating chart is displayed.

Layout Options	Select a layout for the seating chart: *Alphabetical by row* - Students are placed in alphabetical order by last name starting at the front-left corner of the room (from the teacher's perspective) and continuing horizontally, filling each seat until all students are placed. Empty seats are at the back of the room. *Alphabetical by column* - Students are placed in alphabetical order by last name starting at the front-left corner of the room (from the teacher's perspective) and continuing vertically toward the back of the room, filling each seat until all students are placed. Empty seats are on the right side of the room. *Numerical by row* - Students are placed in numerical order by student ID starting at the front-left corner of the room (from the teacher's perspective) and continuing horizontally, filling each seat until all students are placed. Empty seats are at the back of the room. *Numerical by column* - Students are placed in numerical order by student ID starting at the front-left corner of the room (from the teacher's perspective) and continuing vertically toward the back of the room, filling each seat until all students are placed. Empty seats are on the right side of the room. *Random* - Students are placed in random order. If there are more seats than students, the empty seats are at the back of the room. Every time you click **Preview Layout**, the random order changes; you can try multiple random layouts until you find one that works best. *Blank* - A blank seating chart is displayed, and all students are listed either beside or below the chart (depending on the size of the chart). You can drag students from the **Unassigned Students** list to the seating chart. If you previously saved a seating chart and return to this page, the student seats are arranged according to your last saved layout; however, the **Layout Options** field is always set to *Random* by default. Even if you selected an alphabetical or numerical arrangement, you may have manually moved students; therefore, the program assumes the students may have been moved.
Rows Columns	Type the number of rows (horizontal) and columns (vertical) for the seating chart. You can have up to 11 rows and 11 columns.

❑ Click **Preview Layout**.

The seating chart is displayed according to the criteria entered.

> **REMINDER:** When you click **Preview Layout**, the changes are not saved. You must type your PIN and click **Save Seating Chart** to save the changes.

Unassigned Students	If there are more students enrolled in the class than seats available, the extra students are listed either beside or below the seating chart (depending on the size of the chart).

Show Pictures	Select to display student photos in the seating chart. Photos are only available if they have been added by the district.

- Each seat lists the student's name, gender, and student ID.
- You can click the student ID to view the student's profile.
- The seats are color-coded by gender. Seats for females are shaded pink, and seats for males are shaded blue.

❑ You can manually arrange students as needed by dragging a student to a new location.

- If a student is dragged to a new location that is currently occupied, the two students switch seats.
- If the student is dragged to an unoccupied location, his original location becomes unoccupied.
- You can drag students to and from the **Unassigned Students** list. If a student is dragged to a new location that is currently occupied, the two students switch places. The student from the list now has a seat, and the student who had a seat is now in the list.
- To re-sort the students using one of the layout options, select an option from the **Layout Options** field, and then click **Preview Layout**. The students are sorted according to the new layout.

Save changes:

PIN	Type your four-digit personal identification number (PIN).

❑ Click **Save Seating Chart**.

Print the seating chart:

❑ Click **Print**.

The Seating Charts Report Selection page opens allowing you to make selections for running the report.

Generate seating chart report.

Reports > Seating Charts

This report prints a teacher's seating charts for all periods or one period. For each period, the seating chart is displayed followed by a list of students who are not assigned to seats. The seating chart lists the student name, gender, and ID.

If printed for all periods, each period prints on a separate page.

NOTE: If that field has been changed, and the seating charts have not been re-saved on Settings > Manage Charts since the setting was changed, a warning message is displayed when the report is generated indicating that the reports will not be accurate until the Manage Seating Charts page has been re-saved. You must review the seating chart for each period on the Manage Seating Charts page, make any necessary changes, and then re-save each chart.

❑ Specify report options:

Semester	The current semester is displayed. You can select a different semester.
Period	Select the period-course(s) to print the seating chart for, or select *ALL CLASSES* to print seating charts for all periods. If **Combine Courses in Attendance** is selected on your Settings > Update Profile page, the courses are combined by period.
width	Select the width setting for the report. **Fixed Seat Width** — Select to print a report in which all seats are the same width. This setting works for small and average-size classes. For larger classes, some seats may not print on the page. **Auto-Adjusted Seat Width** — Select to print a report in which each column is adjusted to the student name. Each column is only wide enough to accommodate the longest name in the column; therefore, some columns are wider than others. This setting is a better option for larger classes. For either width setting, you can adjust the orientation when you print. Select **Landscape** to increase the number of students that fit on the page.
Show Pictures	Select to display student photos in the seating chart. Photos are only available if they have been added by the district.

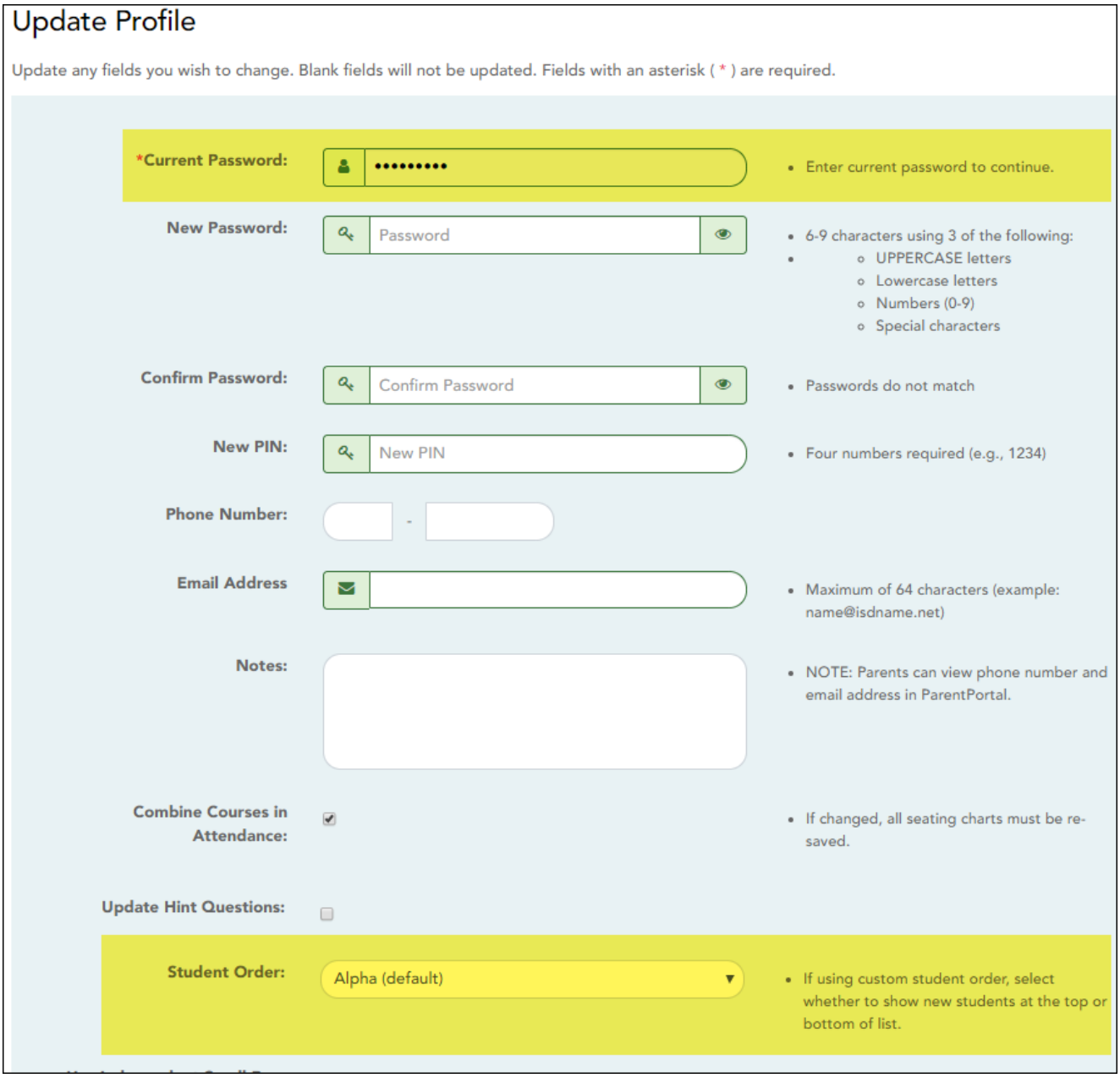
❑ Click **Generate**.

- The report opens in a new window, and you can print the report from that window.
- The report selection page remains open on your desktop.

Arrange student order.

There are two steps for arranging the order of students in your classes. First, specify the default order for new students on the Update Profile page. Then, use the Arrange Student Order page to arrange current students.

Settings > Update Profile



Current Password	For added protection of this information, you must type your current password to update data on the Update Profile, even though you have already logged on to TeacherPortal. **IMPORTANT:** If you have three unsuccessful attempts to access the page (invalid password), you will be logged out of your account. If this occurs, contact your campus administrator to have your account reset. To exit without saving any changes, click Home or any other menu item to go to another page.

Student Order	Select where you want new students to be listed on the following pages and reports: • Assignment Grades • Cycle Grades • IPR Comments • Print IPR • Assignment Grades Report • Class Roster Report *Alpha (default) order* - All students are listed in alphabetical order, regardless of the custom sort order established on the Arrange Student Order page. *Add new students to the top of the list* - Any new students who have enrolled in the course-section since you last saved a custom sort order are displayed at the top of the list. If you have not set up a custom sort order, new students are displayed in alphabetical order. *Add new students to the bottom of the list* - Any new students who have enrolled in the course-section since you last saved a custom sort order are displayed at the bottom of the list. If you have not set up a custom sort order, new students are displayed in alphabetical order. The setting is the same for all of your classes. This field works in conjunction with Settings > Arrange Student Order and is only available to users who are logged on as teachers. The field is not available to administrative users. **IMPORTANT:** The setting of the **Student Order** field is only valid if you have created a custom student order on Settings > Arrange Student Order. If you are not using a custom student order, select *Alpha (default) order*. **NOTE:** If you select the option to list new students at the top or bottom of the list, but you have not set up a custom sort order for all course-sections, only classes that have a custom sort order are affected. For all other course-sections, all students are listed in alphabetical order. The **Student Order** field allows you to toggle between displaying students in alphabetical order and your custom sort order. If you have created a custom sort order, you can temporarily change this field so your students are displayed in alphabetical order. When you change the field again to add new students to the top or bottom of the list, your custom sort order is retained.

❑ Click **Next**.

If you did not select **Update Hint Questions**, the Success page is displayed.

❑ Click **Finish**.

You are redirected to the Announcements page.

Settings > Arrange Student Order

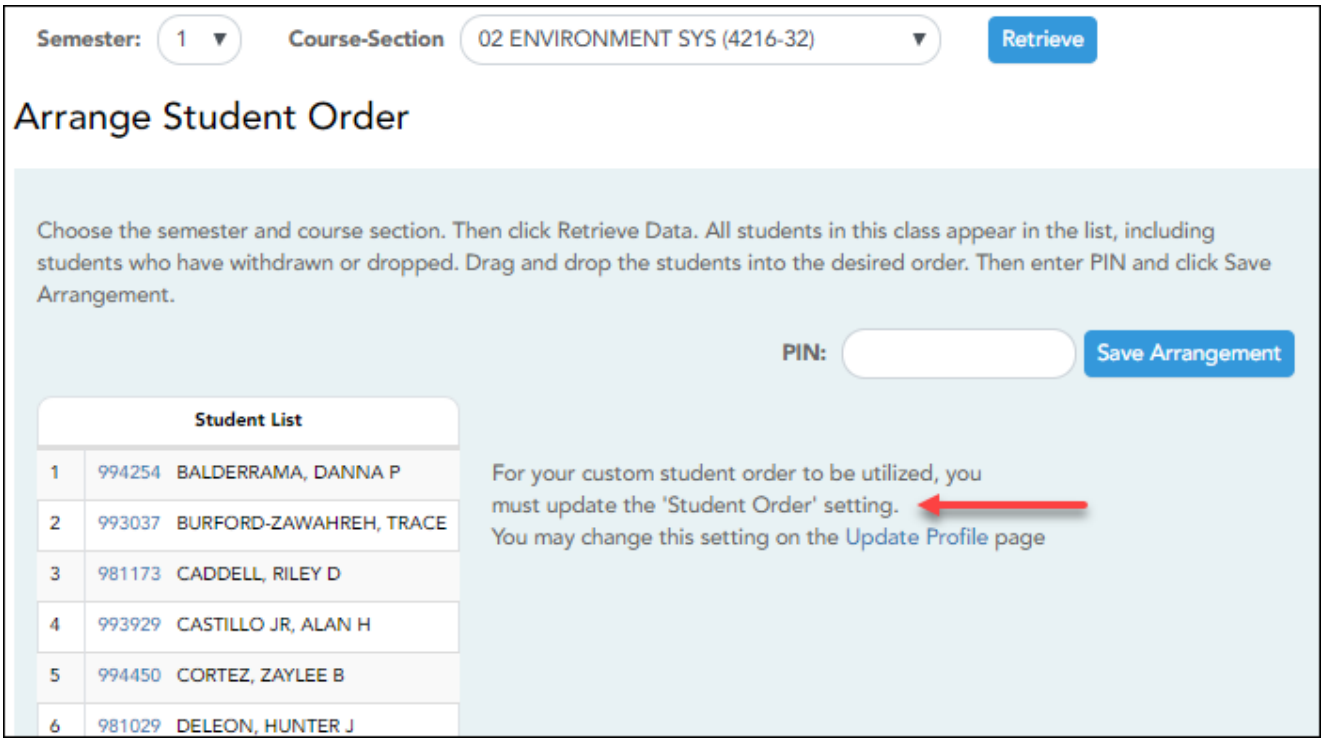
This page allows you to determine the order in which your students are listed on the following pages:

- Grades > Assignment Grades
- Grades > Cycle Grades
- Grades > IPR Comments
- Grades > Print IPR
- Reports > Assignment Grades (listed as a sorting option)
- Reports > Class Roster

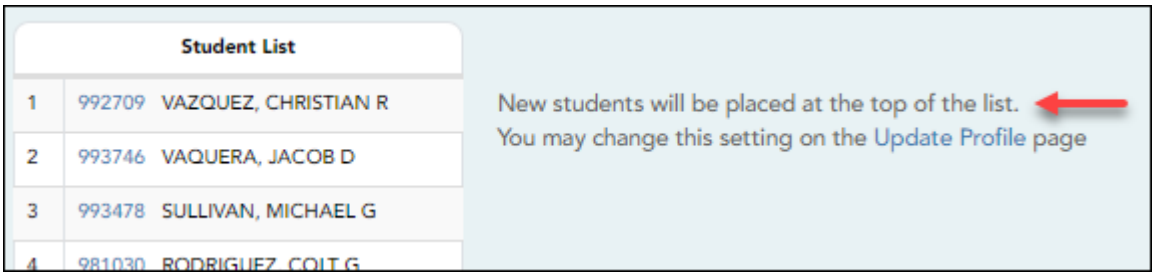
The order is set by semester. You must re-do the order each semester.

You must be logged on as a teacher to use this page. The page is not displayed for administrative users.

IMPORTANT: Before using this page, you must set a preference for new students in the **Student Order** field on Settings > Update Profile. The field must be set to add students to the top of the list or bottom of the list. Otherwise, the order established on this page is not utilized on the other pages throughout TeacherPortal.



Once the **Student Order** is set on Settings > Update Profile:



❑ Specify the course-section:

Semester	The current semester is displayed by default. You can select another semester.
Course-Section	Select the course-section you want to arrange students for.

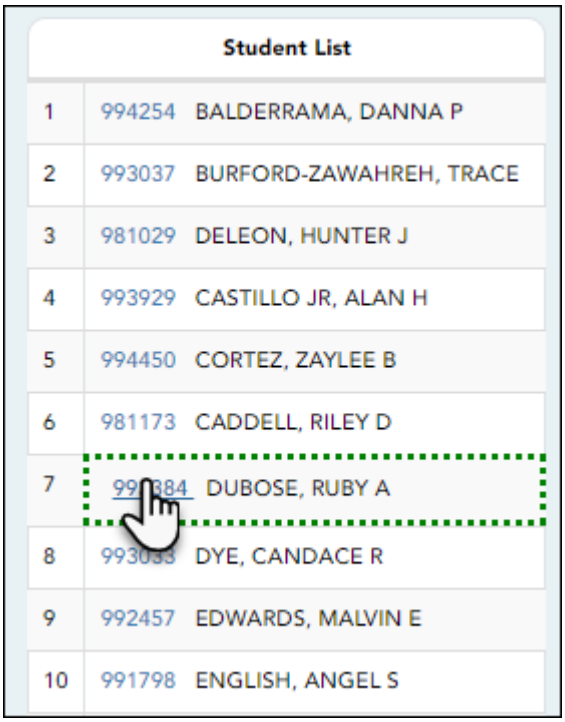
❑ Click **Retrieve**.

All students in the selected course-section are listed, including withdrawn students.

- If you have not previously arranged students in this course-section, the students are listed in alphabetical order.
- If you have previously arranged the students, the students are listed in the last saved order.
- To the right of the student list, a message indicates your current setting on the Settings > Update Profile page regarding the placement of new students. A link to the page is provided, allowing you to easily change your setting.

- You can click the student ID to view the student profile.

❑ Rearrange students using drag-and-drop. Click and hold the student ID, and drag the student to the new position.



Save changes:

When you are satisfied with the arrangement, you must save your changes.

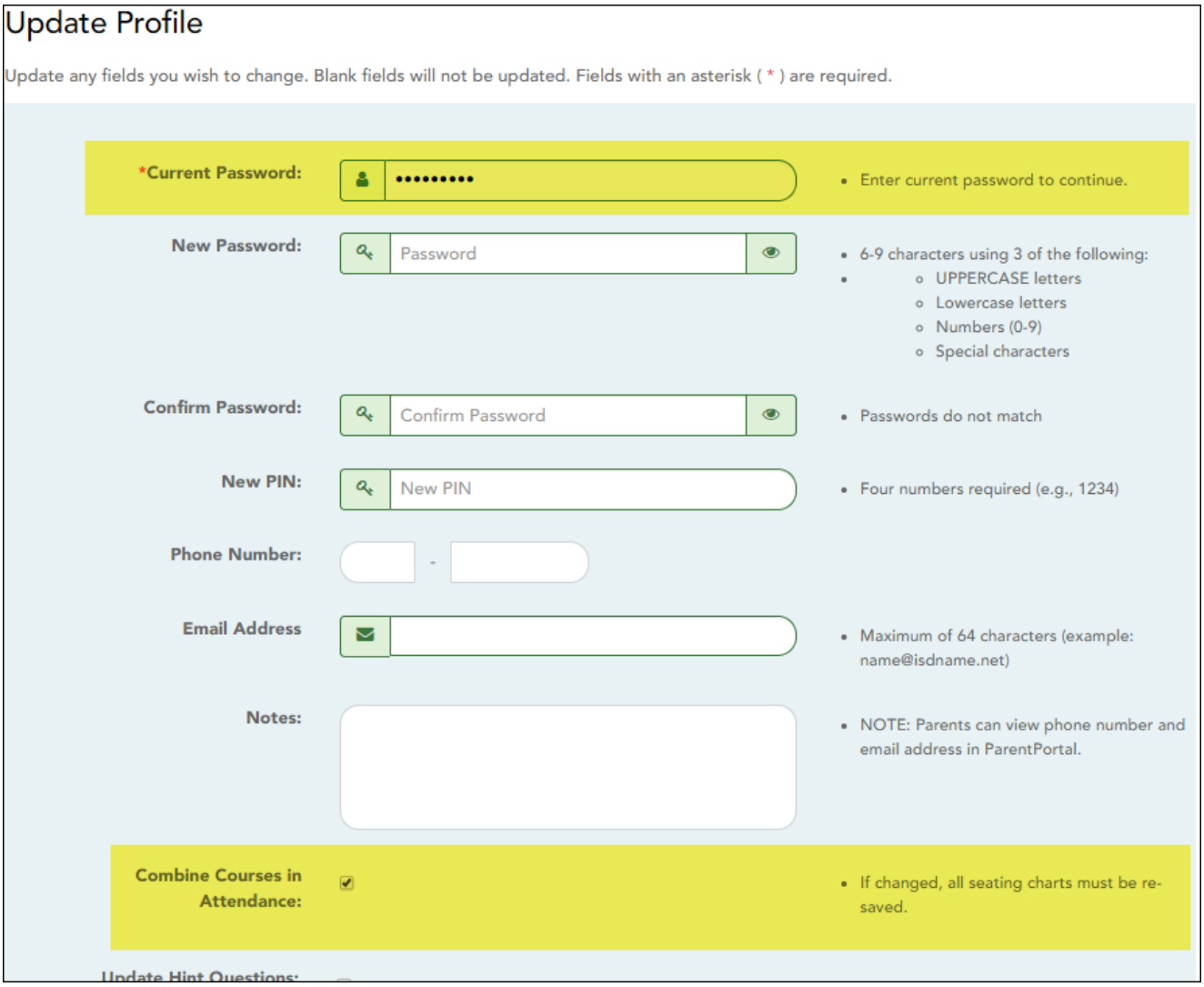
PIN	Type your four-digit personal identification number (PIN).

❑ Click **Save Arrangement**.

If your changes were saved successfully, the page reloads, and a message is displayed indicating that the student list order was saved.

Combine courses in attendance.

Settings > Update Profile



Current Password	For added protection of this information, you must type your current password to update data on the Update Profile, even though you have already logged on to TeacherPortal. **IMPORTANT:** If you have three unsuccessful attempts to access the page (invalid password), you will be logged out of your account. If this occurs, contact your campus administrator to have your account reset. To exit without saving any changes, click Home or any other menu item to go to another page.
Combine Courses in Attendance	Select if you want to combine classes for attendance reporting. If you have multiple course-sections that meet during the same period, this option allows you to record attendance for all sections at one time. If you plan to create a seating chart on Settings > Manage Seating Charts, it is highly recommended that you set this field the way you want it for the semester before creating the seating chart. If you do not want to combine courses for attendance reporting (e.g., PK courses that meet morning and afternoon), do not select the field.

❑ Click **Next**.

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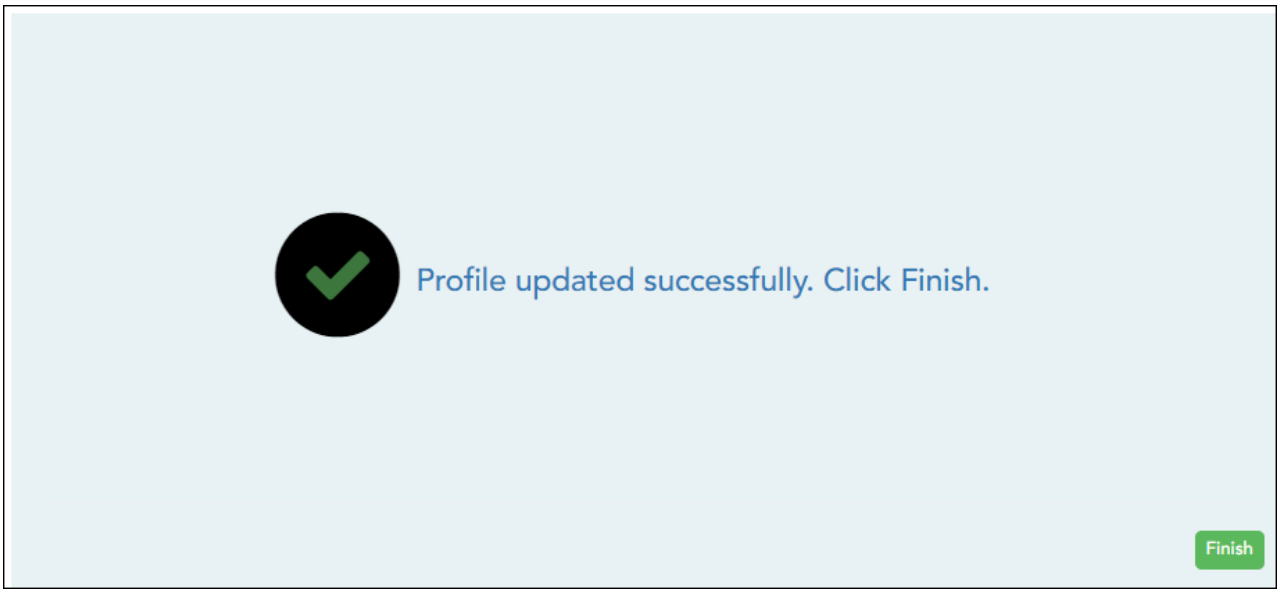

❑ Click **Finish**.

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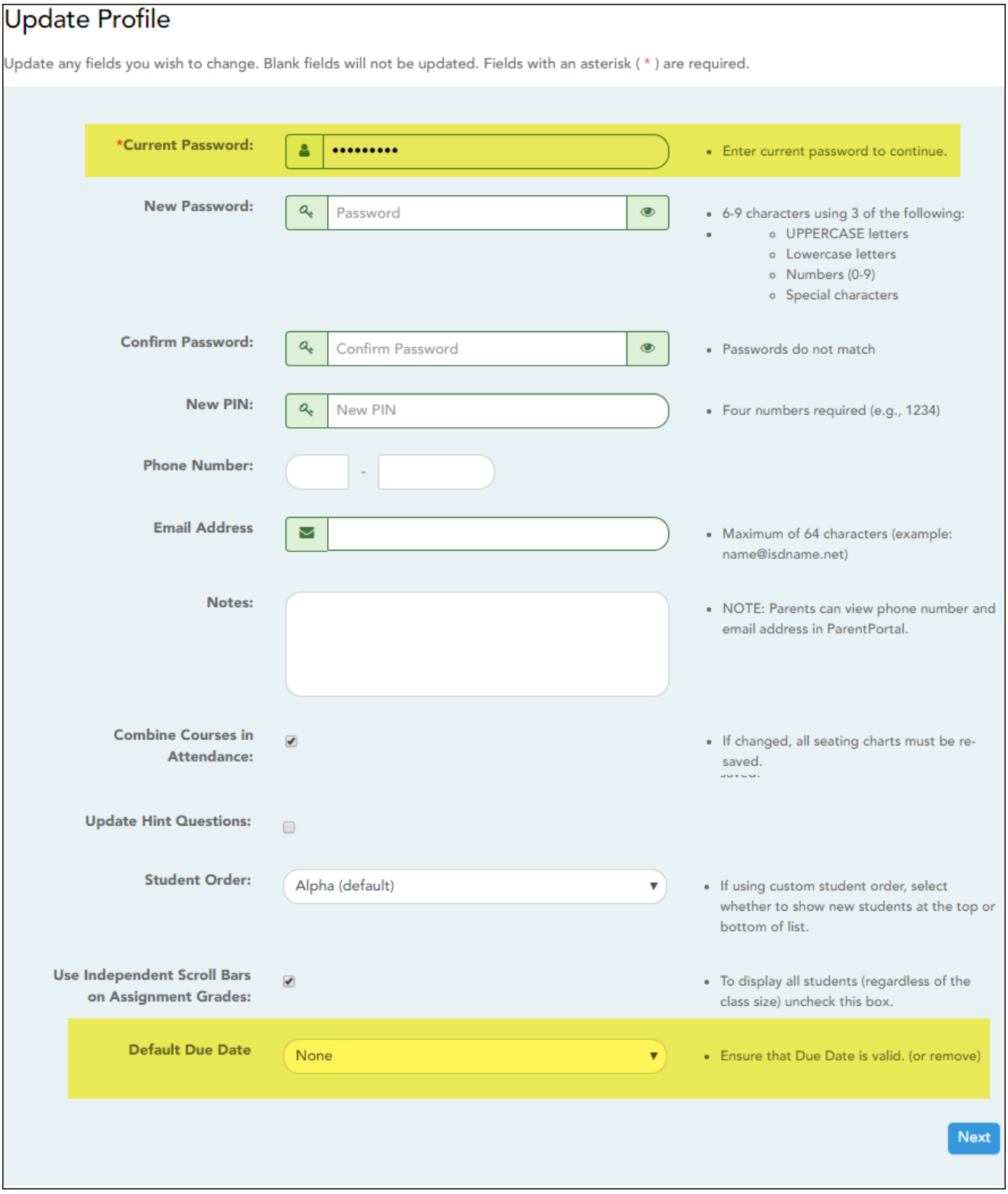
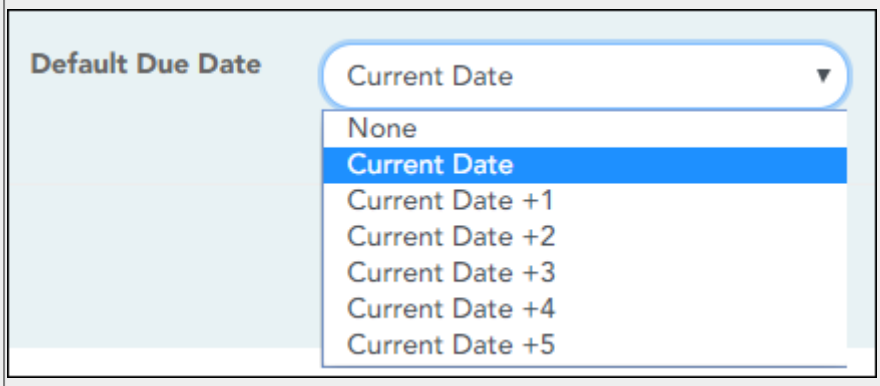
Set a default due date for assignments.

Settings > Update Profile

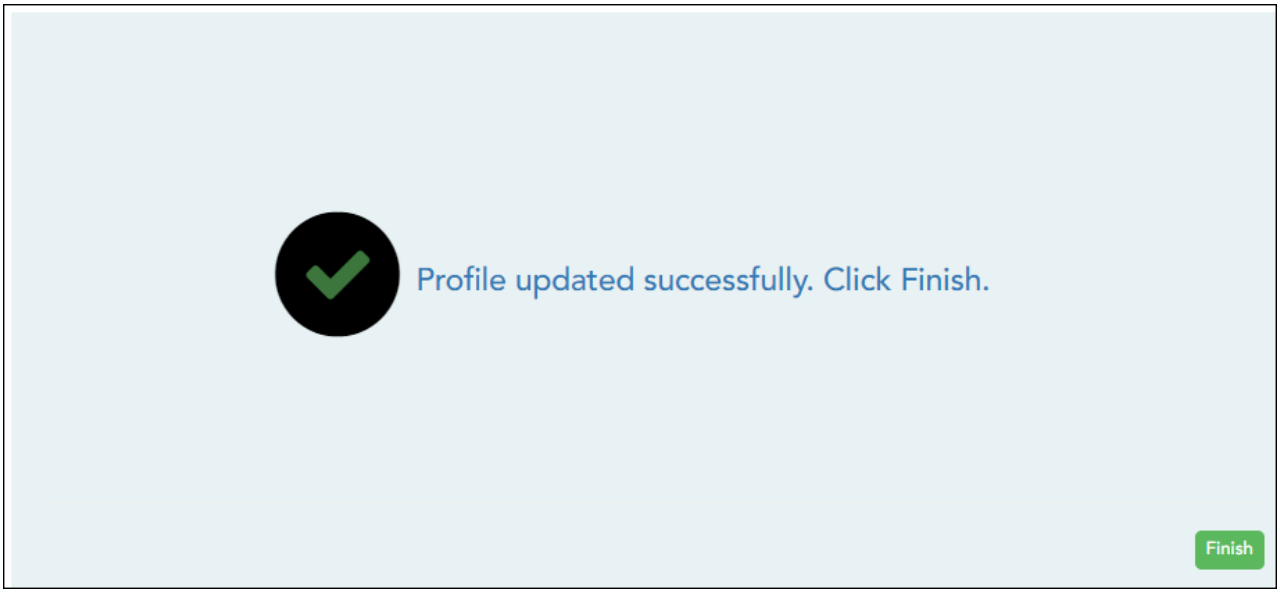


Current Password	For added protection of this information, you must type your current password to update data on the Update Profile, even though you have already logged on to TeacherPortal. **IMPORTANT:** If you have three unsuccessful attempts to access the page (invalid password), you will be logged out of your account. If this occurs, contact your campus administrator to have your account reset. To exit without saving any changes, click Home or any other menu item to go to another page.

Default Assignment Due Date	Indicate if you want a default date to be displayed in the **Date Due** field on Settings > Manage Assignments. You can select no default date, the current date, or up to five days in the future.  **Example:** If you selected *Current Date +2*, and the current date is May 20, the **Date Due** field on Settings > Manage Assignments will display May 22 by default. If May 22 occurs on the weekend, the **Date Due** field will display the date of the following Monday.

❑ Click **Next**.

If you did not select **Update Hint Questions**, the Success page is displayed.



❑ Click **Finish**.

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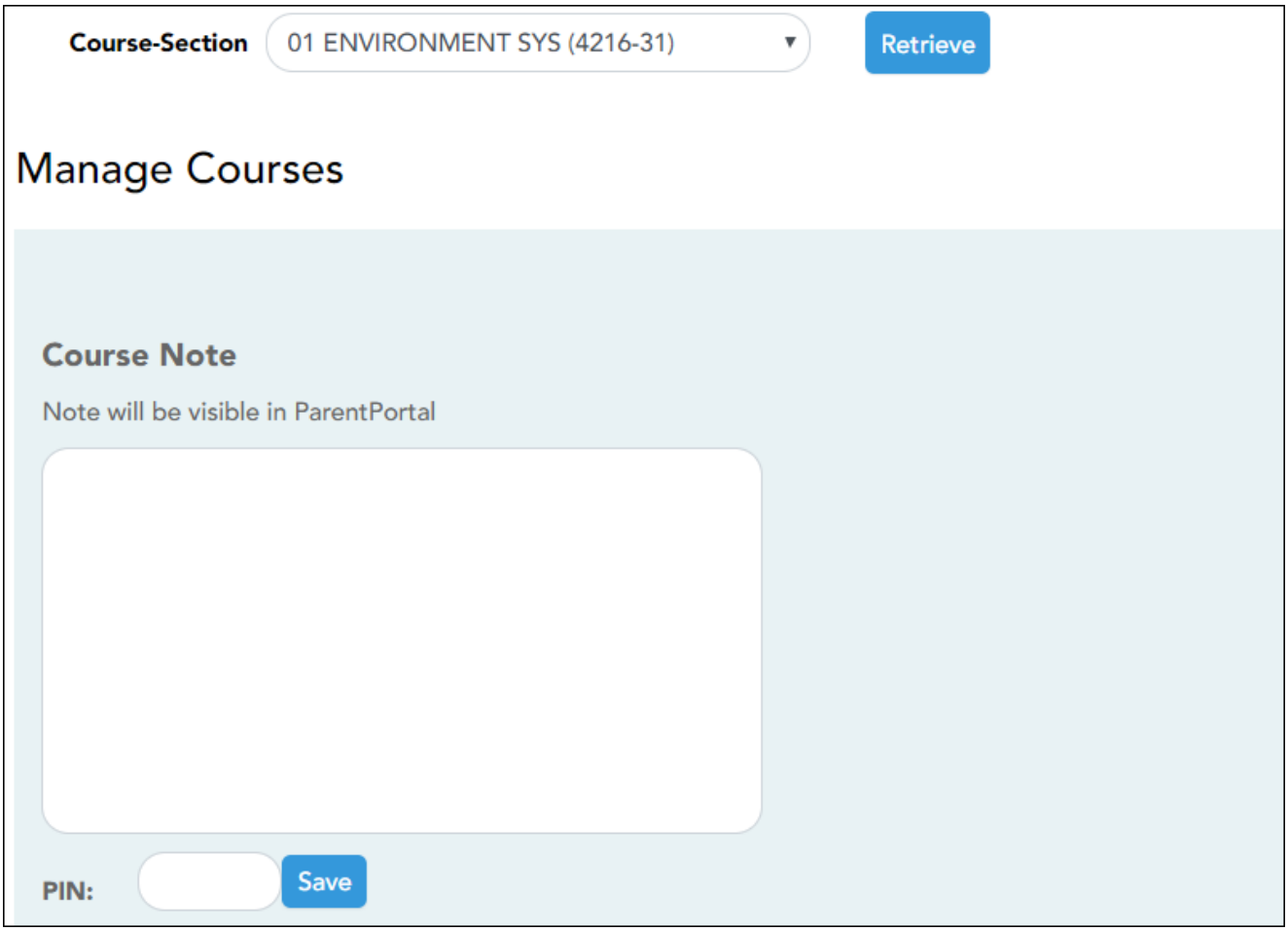
Add or update course notes.

Settings > Manage Courses

This page allows you to set course-wide information. Data entered on this page affects only the selected course-section.



❑ Specify the course-section:

Course-Section	Select the course-section you want to enter data for. The drop down lists the two-digit period and course name. The course number and section number are in parentheses.

❑ Click **Retrieve**.

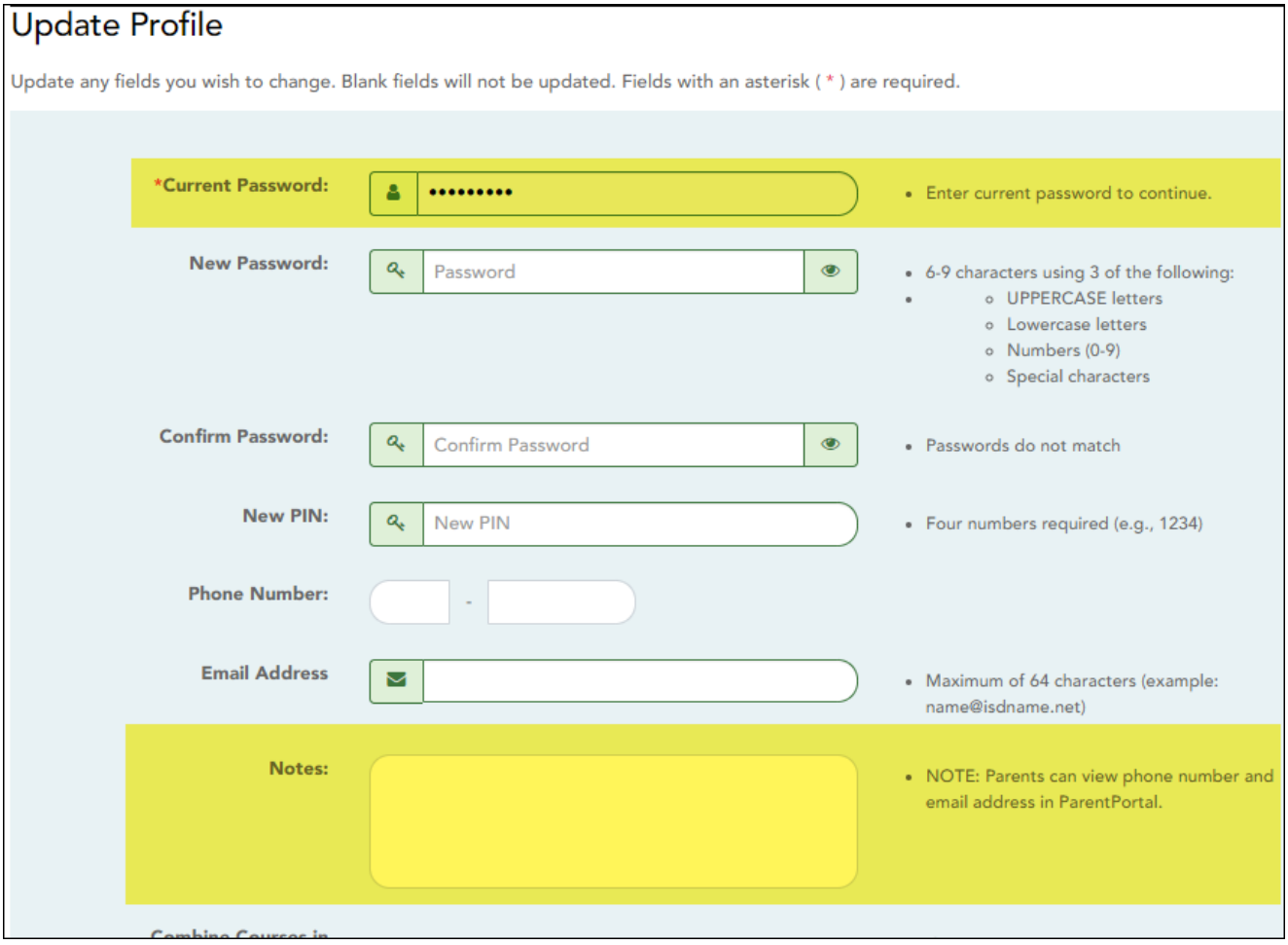
Course Note	(Optional) Type comments and notes about this course, such as reminders, announcements, and other course-related information. **These comments are viewable to parents in ParentPortal.** Only the teacher can add/modify a course note. An administrator cannot add or update a note on behalf of a teacher. **NOTE:** A course note must be added for each course individually, including courses that are part of a course group. If the note applies to all courses in the group, it must be added for each course in the group.

PIN	Type your four-digit personal identification number (PIN).

❑ Click **Save**.

Add teacher notes such as conference periods and contact information.

Settings > Update Profile



Current Password	For added protection of this information, you must type your current password to update data on the Update Profile, even though you have already logged on to TeacherPortal. **IMPORTANT:** If you have three unsuccessful attempts to access the page (invalid password), you will be logged out of your account. If this occurs, contact your campus administrator to have your account reset. To exit without saving any changes, click Home or any other menu item to go to another page.
Notes	Use the field to provide additional notes to parents in ParentPortal, such as conference periods or any other general information they may need.

❑ Click **Next**.

If you did not select **Update Hint Questions**, the Success page is displayed.

❑ Click **Finish**.

You are redirected to the Announcements page.

Create rubrics for grading assignments (if enabled for campus).

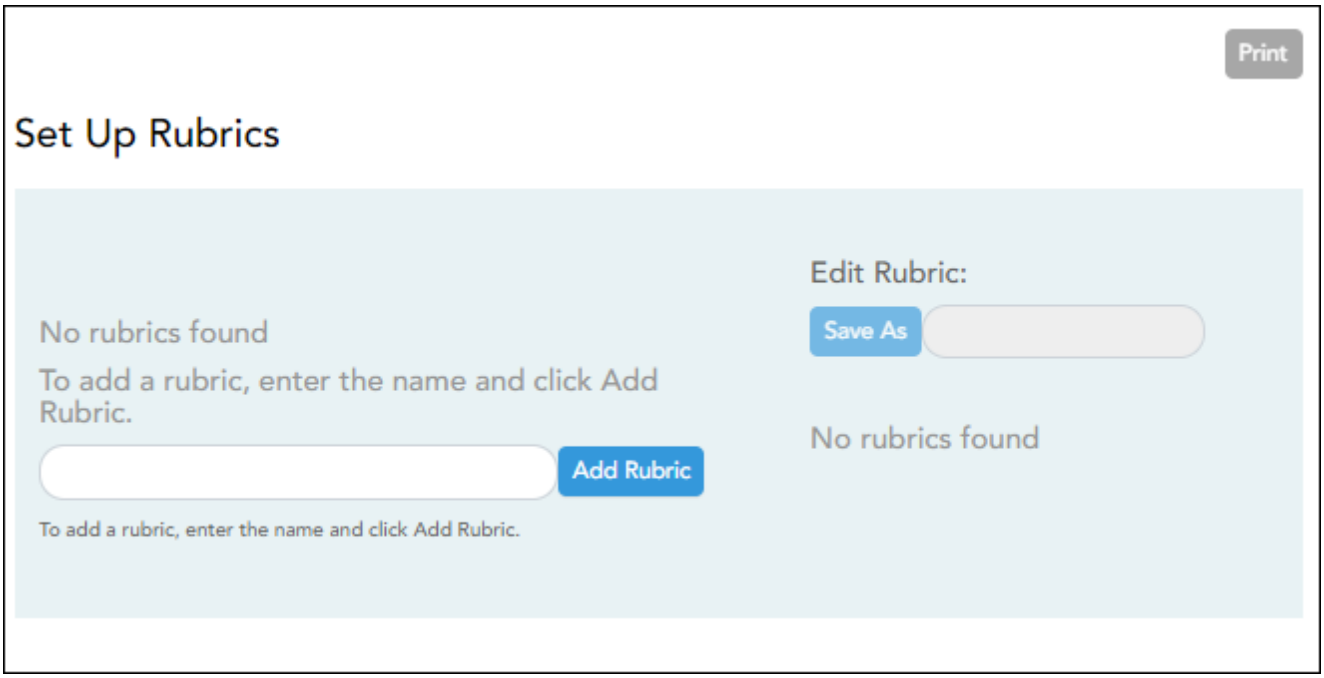
The rubric feature is only available if enabled by the campus.

To use a rubric for grading an assignment, you must first create the rubric, and then associated the rubric with a particular assignment.

Settings > Set Up Rubrics

This page allows you to create rubric charts that can be used for grading assignments. A rubric chart is a set of criteria (i.e., skills) used for assessing a student's work or performance and includes levels of potential achievement (i.e., scores) for each criterion.

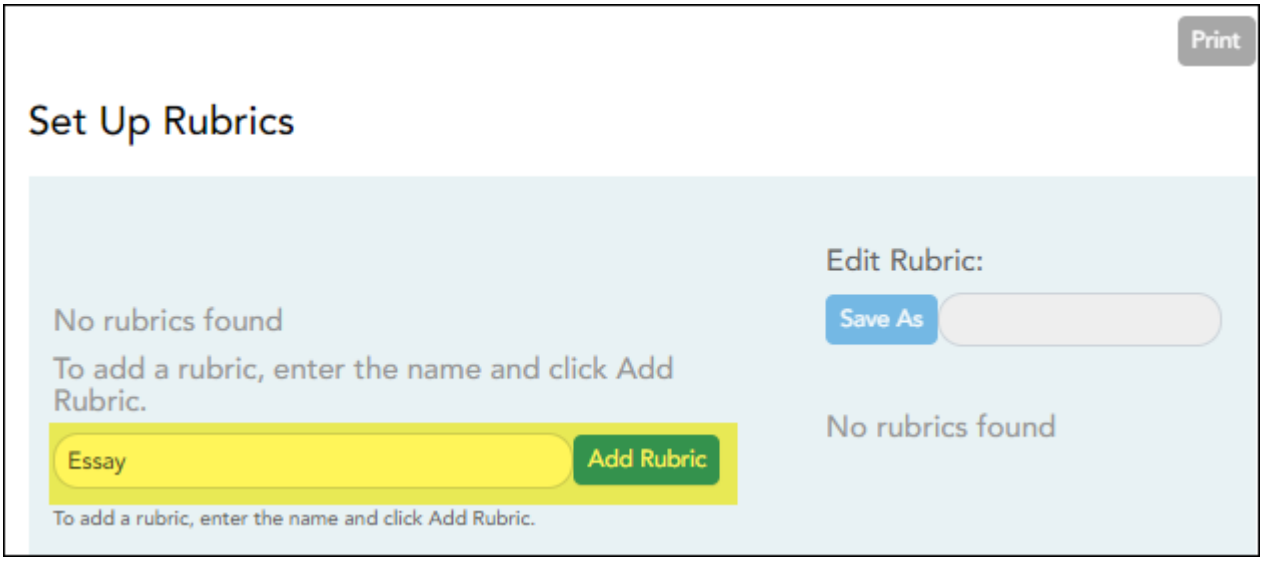
Once a rubric is created, you can associate the rubric chart with an assignment on Settings > Manage Assignments. Then, the rubric will be available for the assignment on Grades > Assignment Grades.



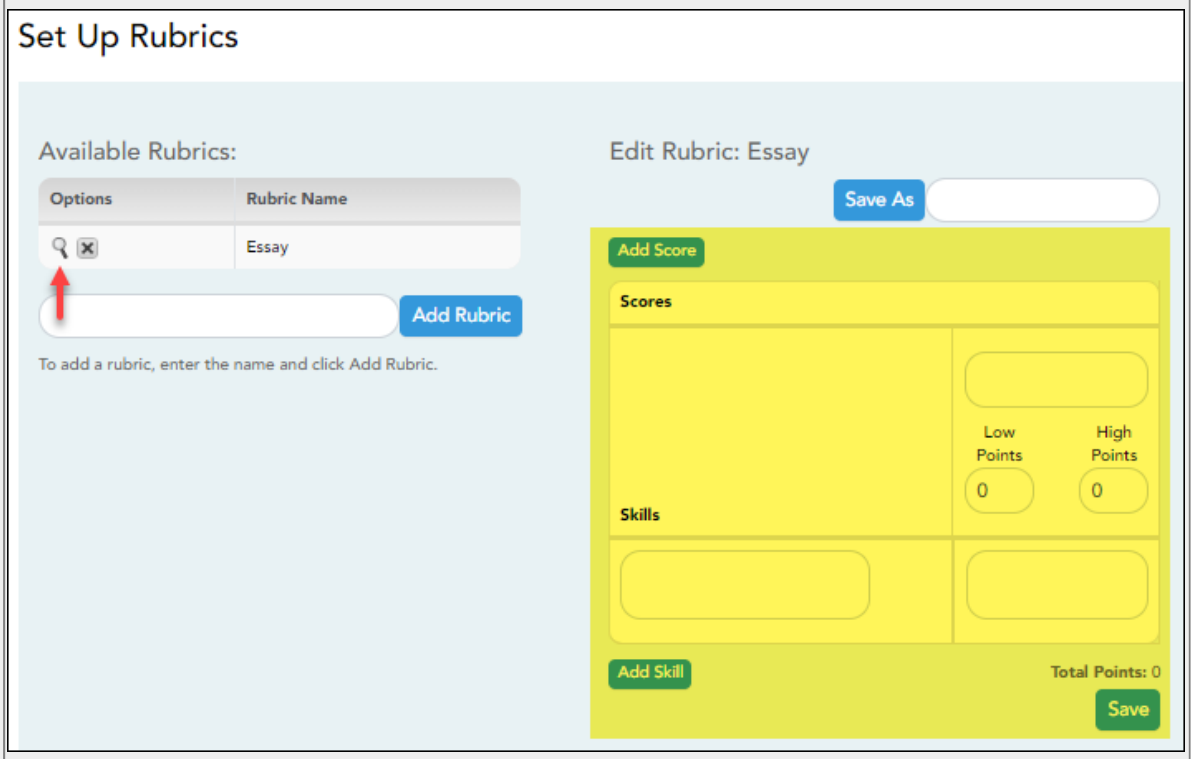
Your existing rubric charts (i.e., rubric charts created by you) are listed. Otherwise, the message “No rubrics found” is displayed.

Add a rubric chart:

In the field next to the **Add Rubric** button, type a unique name for the new rubric chart, then click **Add Rubric**.



The new rubric chart is added to the **Available Rubrics** list.

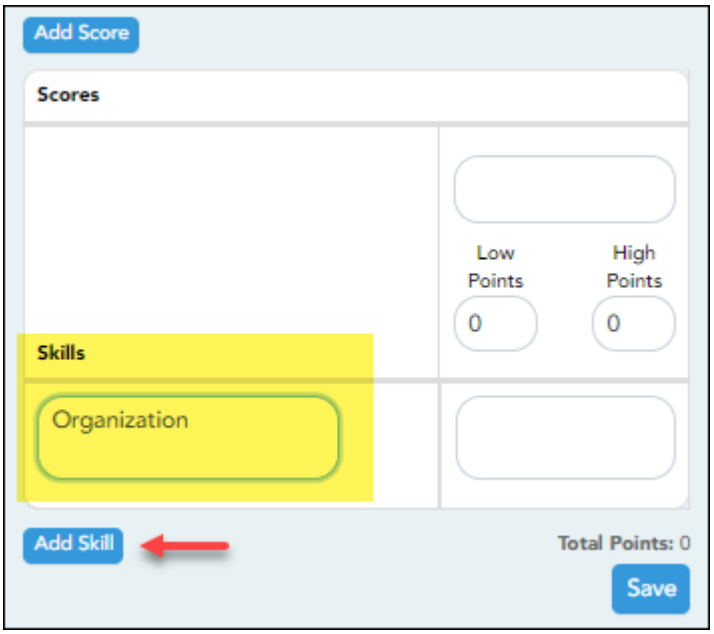
Available Rubrics	Click for the new rubric chart.  The rubric opens on the right side under **Editing Rubric: *{Rubric Name}***, where {*Rubric Name*} is the name you entered.

❑ Under **Editing Rubric: {Rubric Name}**:

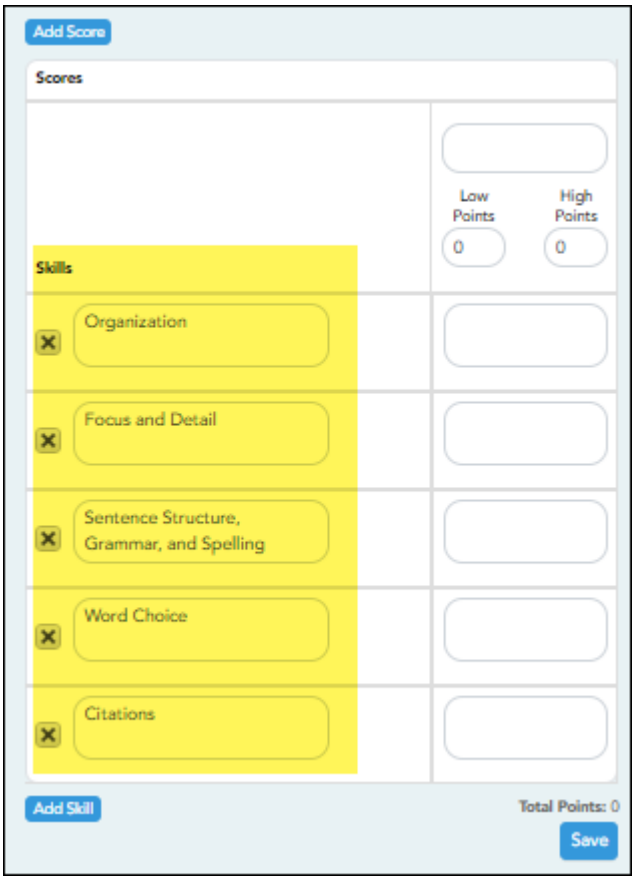
A grid is displayed allowing you to enter criteria (i.e., skills) and scores for each criterion.

❑ Add **Skills**:

To add skills to the rubric chart, type the first skill name, up to 50 characters, and click **Add Skill**. The skill is added to the grid, and a blank field is displayed allowing you to add another skill.



Continue adding skills as needed.

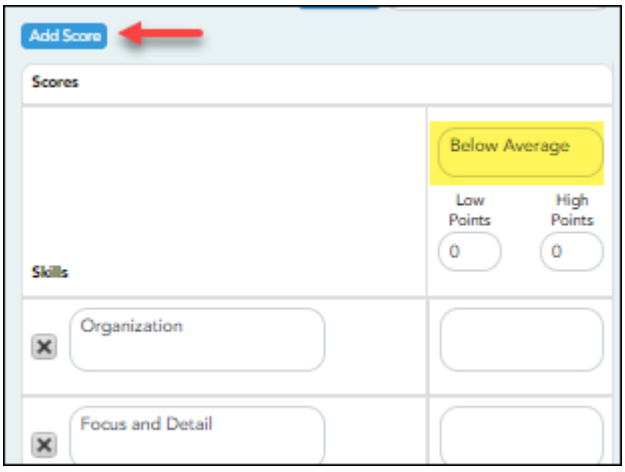


❑ Add **Scores**:

Each rubric chart must have at least one column under **Scores**.

Establish a set of score names. For example, you could create the following set of five score names: Not Attempted, Below Average, Average, Above Average, and Exceeds Expectations.

To add a score, type the first score name (e.g., Not Attempted), up to 50 characters, and then click **Add Score**. The score is added to the grid, and a blank field is displayed allowing you to add another score.



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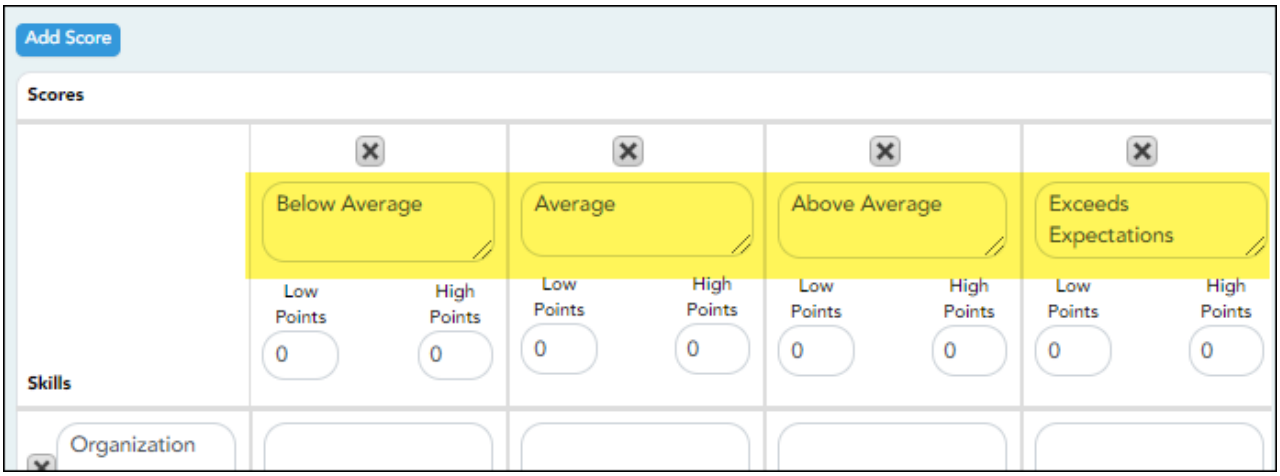
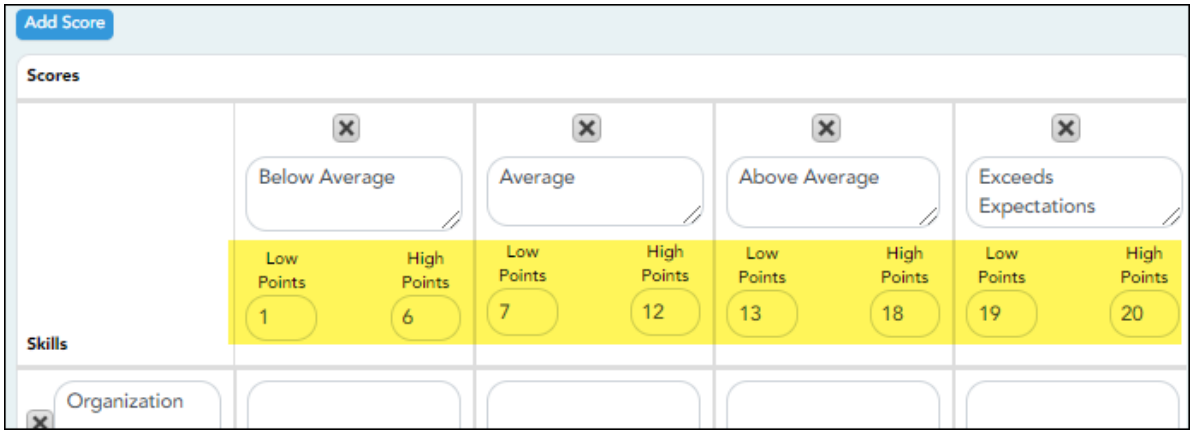


❑ Enter **Low/High Points**:

For each score, use the **Low Points** and **High Points** fields to establish a range of possible points within each score. Or, you can assign a single point value for each score.

The fields can have up to three digits.



Example 1 (with score ranges):

Within each score, you can establish a range of possible points:

The *Not Attempted* score may have **Low Points** and **High Points** both set to 0, because 0 points would be awarded if the student did not attempt the skill.

The *Below Average* score may have **Low Points** set to 1, and **High Points** set to 10, so a student who performed below average on the skill can earn between 1 and 10 points.

The *Average* score may have **Low Points** set to 11, and **High Points** set to 20, so a student who had average performance on the skill can earn between 11 and 20 points.

The *Above Average* score may have **Low Points** set to 21, and **High Points** set to 30, so a student who had above average performance on the skill can earn between 21 and 30 points. The highest score a student could receive would be 30.

The *Exceeds Expectations* score may have **Low Points** set to 31, and **High Points** set to 40, so a student who had above average performance on the skill can earn between 31 and 40 points. The highest score a student could receive would be 40.

In this example, if 10 skills were scored, the student could earn a maximum of 400 points for the assignment.

Example 2 (without score ranges):

To assign a specific number of points to each score, type the number of possible points in the **Low Points** field and leave the **High Points** field blank. When you save, the **High Points** field will automatically be set to the value in the **Low Points** field.

The *Not Attempted* score may have **Low Points** set to 0, because 0 points would be awarded if the student did not attempt the skill. Leave **High Points** set to 0 or blank.

The *Below Average* score may have **Low Points** set to 1, because 1 point would be awarded if the student had below average performance for the skill. Leave **High Points** set to 0 or blank.

The *Average* score may have **Low Points** set to 2, because 2 points would be awarded if the student had average performance for the skill. Leave **High Points** set to 0 or blank.

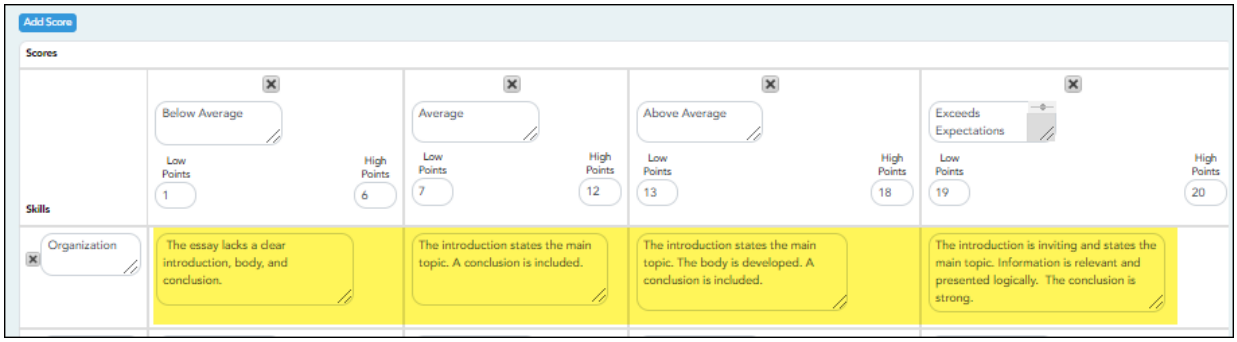
The *Above Average* score may have **Low Points** set to 3, because 3 points would be awarded if the student had above average performance for the skill. Leave **High Points** set to 0 or blank. The highest score a student could receive would be 3.

The *Exceeds Expectations* score may have **Low Points** set to 4, because 4 points would be awarded if the student had above average performance for the skill. Leave **High Points** set to 0 or blank. The highest score a student could receive would be 4.

In this example, if 10 skills were scored, the student could earn a maximum of 40 points for the assignment.

❑ Enter a score note:

(Optional) For each skill, type a note about the score as it relates to the specific skill, up to 255 characters. The note is used to further clarify the requirements for awarding points for the skill.



See Notes on Special Characters and Copy/Paste From Other Documents.

TIP: You can expand the size of the fields by dragging the bottom-right corner of the field to the desired size. When you save the note, the field will return to its original size.

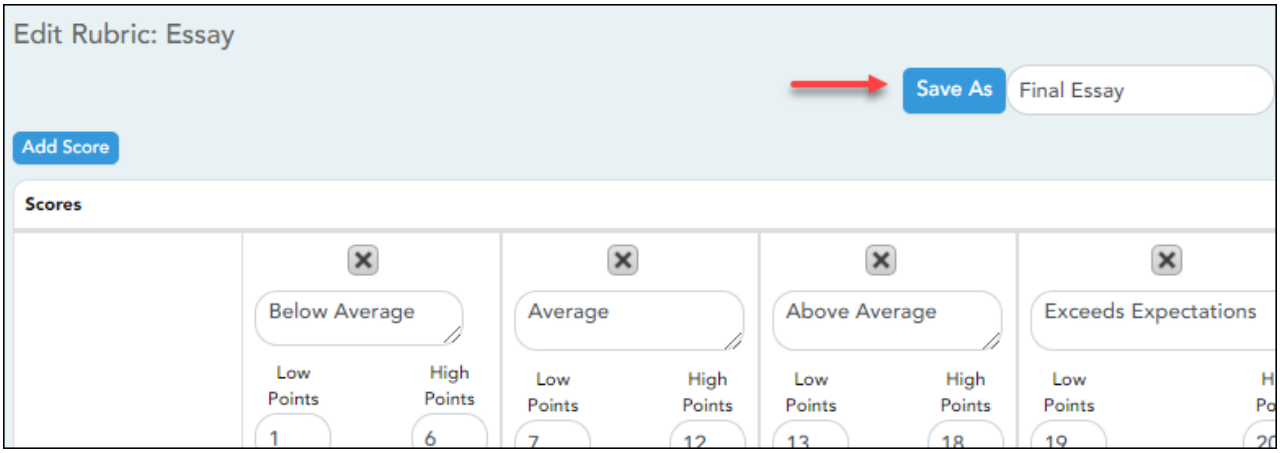
Scores must be entered in ascending order from left to right.

Scores cannot be out of sequence; however gaps can exist.

❑ Click **Save**.

Total Points	The highest possible number of points a student can earn for this assignment is calculated and displayed in the bottom-right corner. The number changes every time you save changes that affect the total possible points for the rubric chart.

❑ To save a copy of the displayed rubric chart with another name (e.g., to use the rubric chart as a template for another rubric chart), type the new name in the field next to the **Save As** button, then click **Save As**.



The new rubric chart is added to the **Available Rubrics** list. The new rubric chart can be modified as needed.

Edit a rubric chart:

❑ Under **Available Rubrics** (left), click 🔍 for the rubric chart you want to change.

The rubric chart opens under **Editing Rubric** (right). Modify the chart as needed, and then click **Save**.

NOTE:
If you attempt to edit a rubric chart that is in use, a message is displayed indicating the number of assignments using the rubric chart; however, you are not prevented from modifying some parts of the rubric chart:

- The skills cannot be changed.
- You cannot add a skill; the **Add Skill** button is not displayed.
- You must keep at least one column under **Scores**.
- The score note field can be modified.
- You can add scores, but you must maintain the same **Total Points**.

Delete a rubric chart:

❑ Under **Available Rubrics** (left), click ✕ to delete an existing rubric chart.

❑ You are prompted to confirm that you want to delete the rubric chart. Click **OK**.

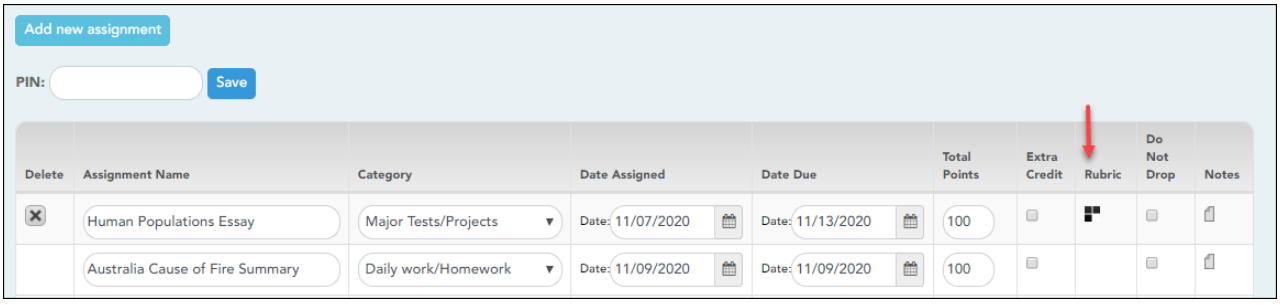
NOTE: You cannot delete a rubric chart that is in use (i.e., associated with any assignment).

Associate a rubric with an assignment:

Settings > Manage Assignments

❑ Click **Add new assignment** to add a new assignment.

A blank row is added to the grid. Enter the assignment name and other details.



❑ In the **Rubric** column:

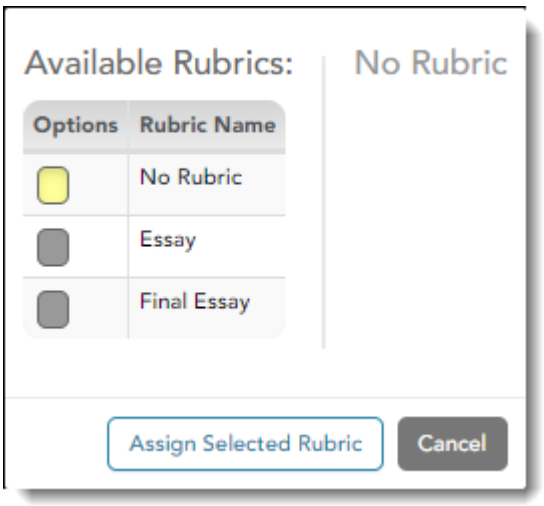
You can assign an existing rubric chart to the assignment, which allows you to grade the assignment using a rubric chart. The rubric charts are created on Settings > Rubric Setup.

• If a rubric chart is not currently associated with the assignment, the icon (three black squares) is displayed.

• If a rubric chart is currently associated with the assignment, the icon (four multicolored squares) is displayed.

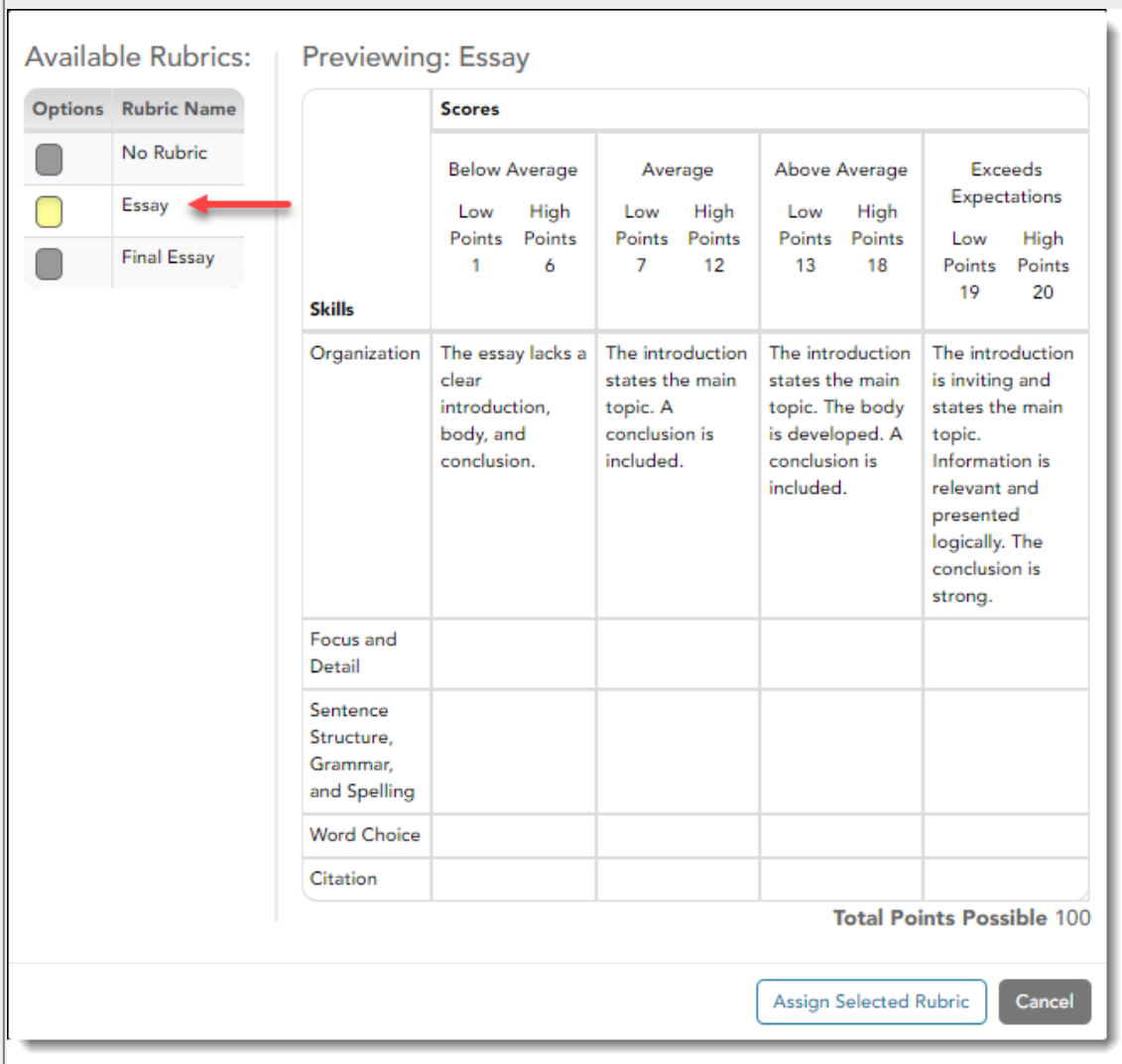
❑ Click the icon to associate a rubric chart with the assignment or to change the associated rubric chart.

The rubric chart window opens.



Under **Available Rubrics**, any rubric charts you have created that have at least one skill and one score are listed.

Available Rubrics	Click ☐ for the rubric chart you want to use. If the rubric is selected, the box becomes yellow ☐.



You can only change the rubric chart assigned to an assignment if no grades exist for the rubric chart.

❑ Click **Assign Selected Rubric**.

The window closes.

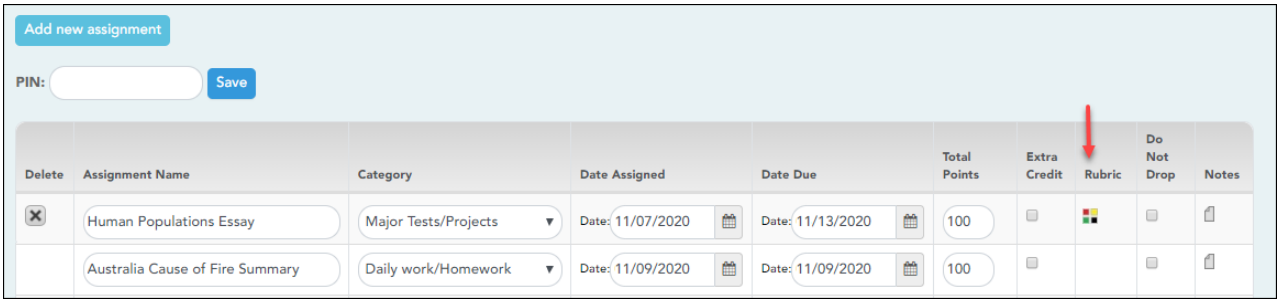
> **IMPORTANT:** The **Total Points** field for the assignment changes to display the maximum possible points for the rubric chart (maximum possible points x skill count) and is read-only.

PIN	Type your four-digit personal identification number (PIN).

❑ Click **Save**.

The icon changes to multicolored squares to indicate that a rubric is associated with the

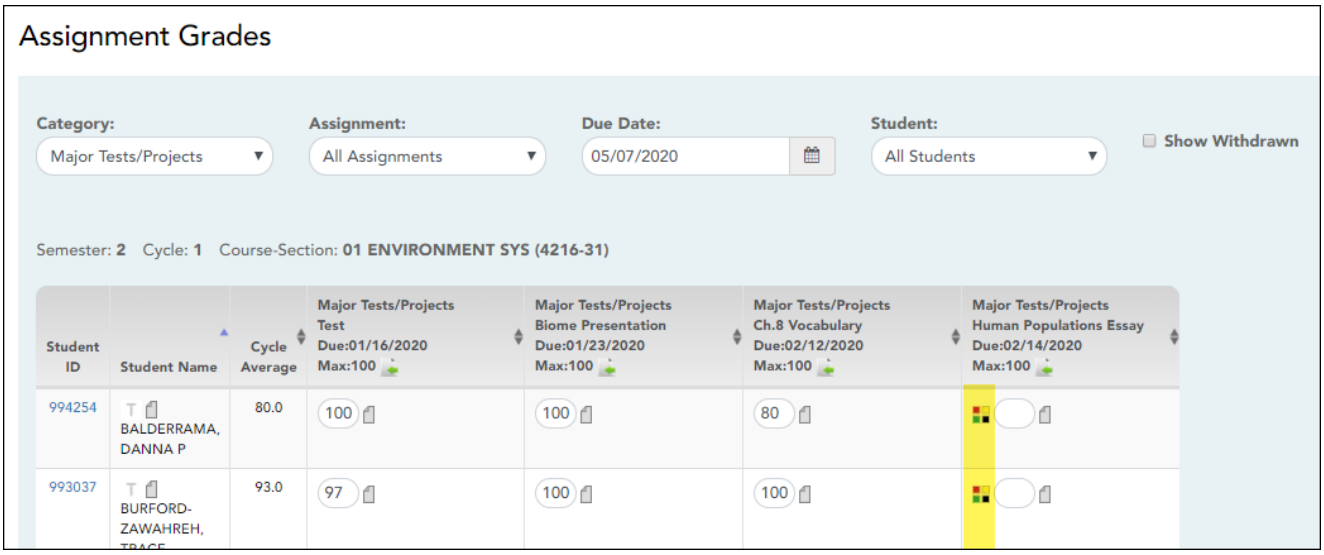
assignment.



Use a rubric to grade an assignment:

Grades > Assignment Grades

Once a rubric chart has been associated with the assignment, you can use the rubric for determining the student's assignment grade.



❑ Select the semester, cycle, course section, and any other applicable criteria, and then click **Retrieve**.

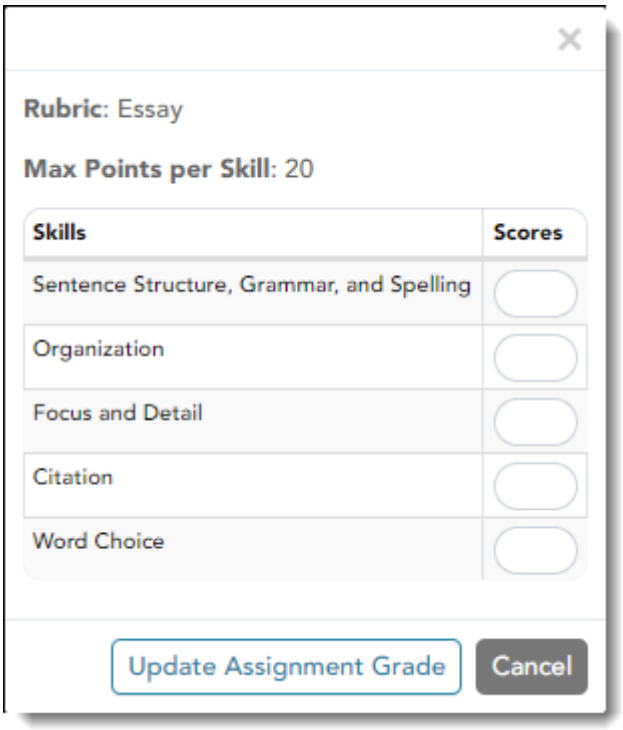
The assignment grades table displays all students currently enrolled in the course-section and

the assignments according to your selections.

If a rubric chart has been associated with the assignment, the multicolored squares icon is displayed next to the grade field allowing you to grade the assignment using a rubric chart.

❑ Click to open the rubric in a window.

The window opens allowing you to type a score for each skill.



❑ In the **Scores** field, type the number of points earned by the student for each skill.

For your reference, the **Max Points per Skill** field displays the highest number of points for a skill, as indicated on the Rubric Setup page; however, you are not prevented from entering a score above this number.

❑. When all scores have been entered, click **Update Assignment Grade**.

The grade (i.e., the sum of all scores entered) is calculated and displayed in the grade field.

❑ Type your PIN and click **Save**.

NOTES:

- You can type a grade directly into the grade field even if a rubric chart is assigned to the assignment.
- When entering a score for a skill, you are not limited to the range specified in the rubric chart. For example, if the score range is 0-5, you are not prevented from typing 0 or 6.
- If the grade for the assignment should be zero, you must type 0 for one of the skill scores in the rubric chart.
- If you type a score for some skills but not all skills in the rubric chart, the sum of the scores entered is calculated and displayed in the grade field.

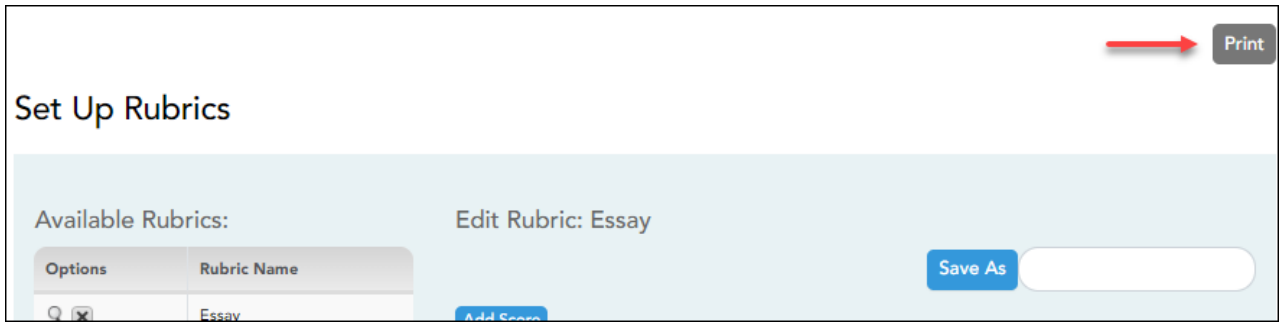
Generate rubric report (if enabled for campus).

There are two ways to access the rubric printing options:

- From the Manage Rubric Charts page, click **Print**.
- From the Reports menu, select **Rubrics**.

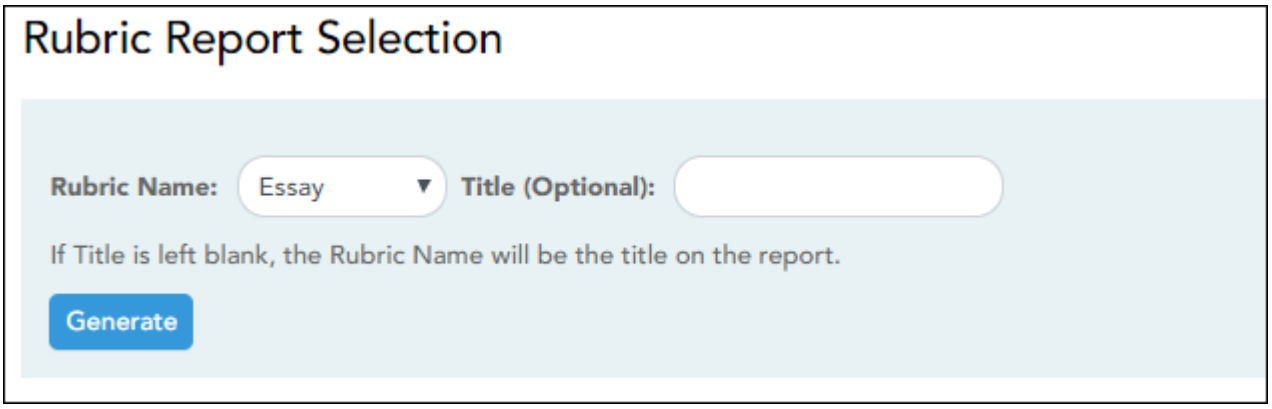
Print the rubric chart:

❑ Click **Print** to print a report of the displayed rubric chart.



The Rubric Report Selection page opens allowing you to make selections for printing the report.

This report prints a rubric chart which has been set up on Settings > Manage Rubric Charts. You can print only the rubric chart (i.e., blank), or you can print the rubric chart with student grades for a particular assignment.



❑ Specify report options:

Rubric Name	Select the rubric chart you want to print. Only rubric charts that have skills and scores already set up are listed.
Title	(Optional) Type a title for the report, up to 50 characters. If blank, the rubric chart name is used as the title.
Print with grades	Select to print the report with student grades. This field is only displayed if the selected rubric chart has already been used to grade an assignment. If selected, an additional field is displayed allowing you to select a course-section. Only course-sections that have a rubric chart set up are listed.

course-section	Once you select a course-section, another field is displayed allowing you to select the assignment that was graded with a rubric chart.

assignment	Once you select an assignment, a list of students in the course-section is displayed, along with their grade for the assignment.

This Student	Select for the students you want to print the rubric for. You can select **Check all** at the top of the column to select all students in the course-section.

❑ Click **Generate**.

- The report opens in a new window, and you can print the report from that window.
- The report selection page remains open on your desktop.

Use Student Group Manager.

Manage Student Groups

Settings > Manage Student Groups

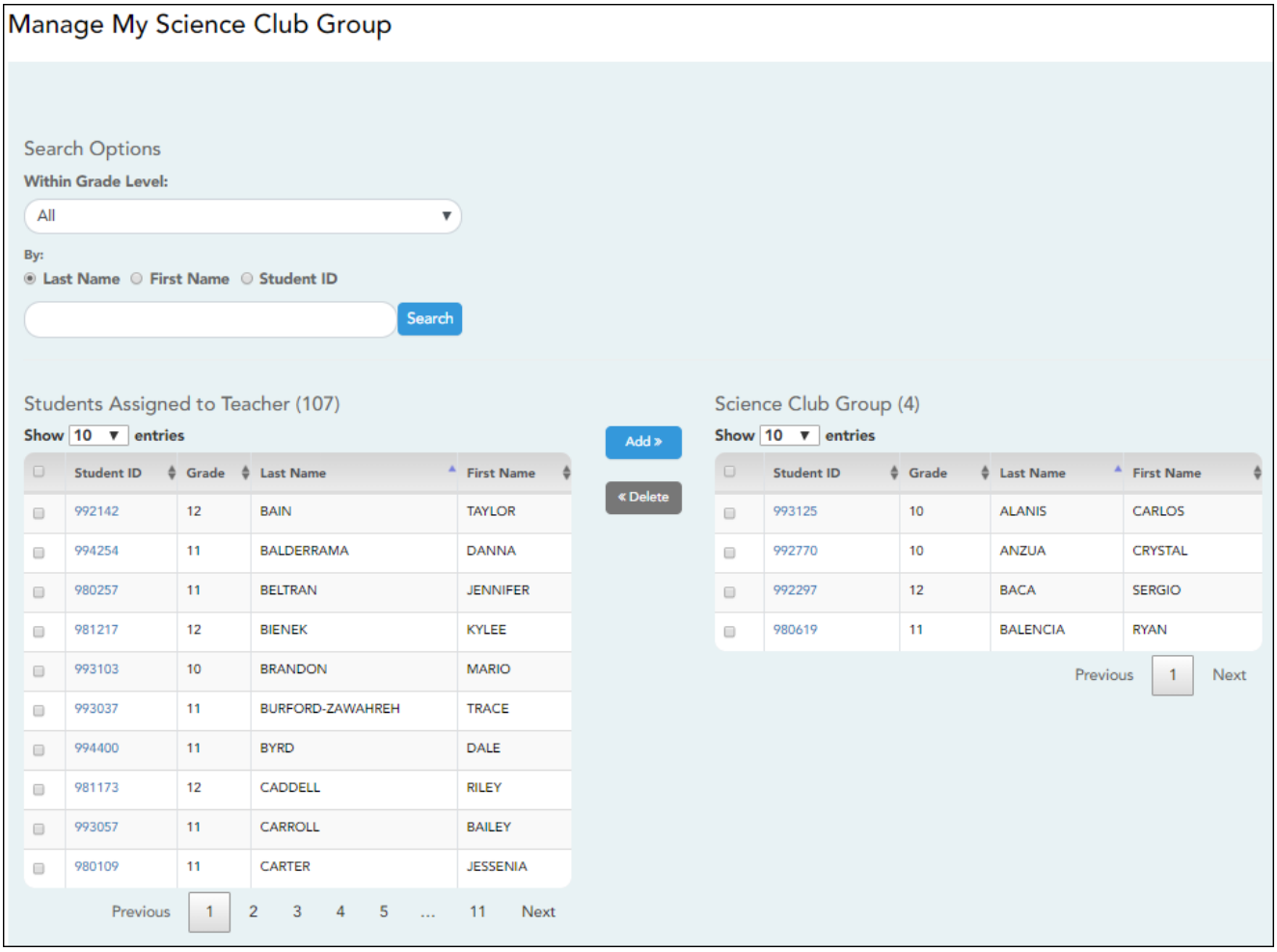
This page allows you to create and maintain groups of students for reporting purposes. The

student groups can be campus-wide and are not limited to a particular course-section. Special group reports are available to provide data for the student groups.

Teachers are given access by administrators to create student groups as follows:

- **No access:** (Teacher cannot create student groups.) If you do not have access, the Student Group Manager page is not listed in the menu.
- **Course-wide access:** (Teacher can create student groups that include only students enrolled in your courses.)
- **Campus-wide access:** (Teacher can create student groups that include any students at the campus.) If you do not have this access, an administrative user (impersonating you as the teacher) can create groups for you. Groups can only be created for teachers who have a TeacherPortal account.

Users can run group reports for their own groups, regardless of who created the group.



Create a group:

Group Manager (left grid)	Your existing groups are listed. Otherwise, the message “No Student Groups were found” is displayed.
Group Reports (right grid)	The available student group reports are listed; they are linked to the reports in the Reports > Student Group Reports menu. Some of the group reports mirror other reports available in the Reports menu. If no groups exist, the message “No Student Groups Exist” is displayed in place of any reports.
Group Manager (left grid)	To add a new group, type a unique group name in the field next to the **Add Group** button, then click **Add Group**. See notes on Special Characters allowed when entering the group name. The group is listed in the **Group Manager** (left grid) with a student count of 0.
	Click to add or delete students in the group. The Manage My Group page opens. From that page, add students to your group, save, and then click **Return to Student Group Manager** to return to this page. The **Count** column is updated to reflect the number of students selected.
	Click to delete a group. You are prompted to confirm that you want to delete the group. Click **OK**.
Group Reports (left grid)	Click a report title to run the report for a student group: • The group Admin Student Grades page allows you to run the Admin Student Grades report for a student group. • The Attendance Summary report generates a summary report of student attendance for a specified student group. • The Student Grades Report (and UIL Eligibility) Report lists student working cycle averages for all of their courses, which allows you to determine UIL eligibility and locate students who may be at risk of losing eligibility. Courses in which the student has failing grades are shaded pink.

Copy a group to another teacher:

This is only available for administrative users.

❑ Click **Copy Group to Another Teacher** to copy a teacher's student groups to another teacher.

The Copy Student Groups page opens.

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Daily Tasks

Attendance tasks:

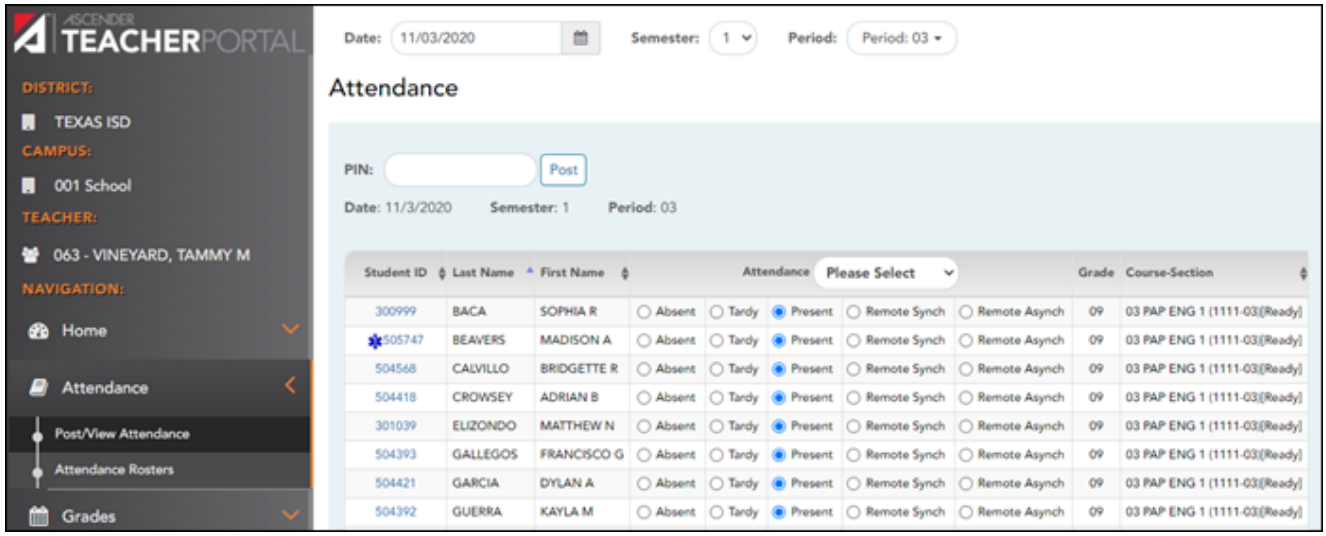
Post attendance.

Attendance > Post/View Attendance

This page allows you to record and post attendance for each period. You can also view attendance data that has already been posted.

> **NOTE:** You can post the data only once for each period-course. If you discover an error after you have posted, you must contact the attendance clerk to correct the record.

Flexible attendance cannot be posted from TeacherPortal.



❑ Retrieve the students.

Date	The current date is displayed by default. Type another date in the MMDDYYYY format, or click to select a date from the calendar. Courses are only displayed on the days met. For example, if a course meets only on Monday, it is displayed only when the attendance date is a Monday. You can select a Saturday if Saturday is a valid attendance date, even if the course does not meet on Saturday. This may be used for bad weather makeup days. **NOTE:** Some campuses may not allow you to post attendance for a prior date. In this case, the **Post** button is not displayed for prior dates. **NOTE:** You will get an error message, *Attendance posting more than XX days prior not allowed.*, if the posting date is greater than the number of days entered in the **Days** field on Grade Reporting > Maintenance > TeacherPortal Options > Campus and the **Allow Prior Days Posting** field is checked.
Semester	The semester of the selected date is displayed by default.
Period	Select the period-course for which to view or record attendance. By default, the first period for which you have not posted attendance is selected. Attendance can be posted only once for each date-period. If you already posted attendance for this date-period, the period is shaded in the drop-down list. If you select a shaded period, a message indicates that attendance has been posted for this date-period, and a view-only list is displayed.

The list of active students for the selected date and period-course is displayed.

The columns can be re-sorted.

The columns can be sorted according to your preferences.

- An up arrow indicates the column and order by which the table is currently sorted.
- If a column can be sorted, a sort box is displayed in the column heading.
- To resort the list by another column heading, click in the column heading. The column is sorted in ascending order, as indicated by in the column heading.
- To sort the column in descending order, click again. The sort arrow changes direction.

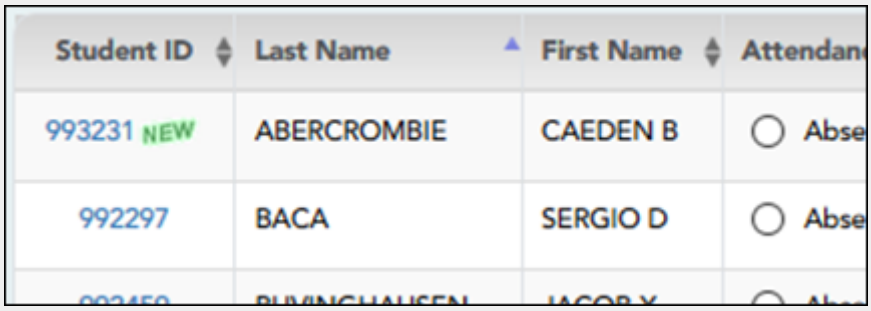
If you sort by the last name column, the table sorts by last name, then first name. If you sort by the first name column, the table sorts by first name, then last name.

NOTE: Sorting the columns overrides the custom sort order established on the Arrange Student Order page. However, if you leave this page and return, the students are displayed in your custom sort order. (This does not apply on the Post/View Attendance page.)

- If attendance is already posted for the selected date-period-course, the attendance data is view only.

- Student absences and tardies are highlighted, and you can click the comments icon to view any comments associated with the absence.
- If a student withdrew from the course since attendance was posted for the date, his attendance record is displayed.
- If a student's enrollment date is after the selected attendance date, his attendance record is not displayed.

- If you teach multiple courses for the selected period, by default, all students in all courses are listed. This setting can be changed using the **Combine Courses in Attendance** field on Settings > Update Profile.
- New students are indicated with the “new” icon next to their student ID. The icon remains for one day only.



- Attendance-only courses are included in the class list.
- Students whose attendance is excluded from reporting are listed, but you cannot record attendance. (This is a rare circumstance.)
- Students who withdrew from the course are no longer listed.

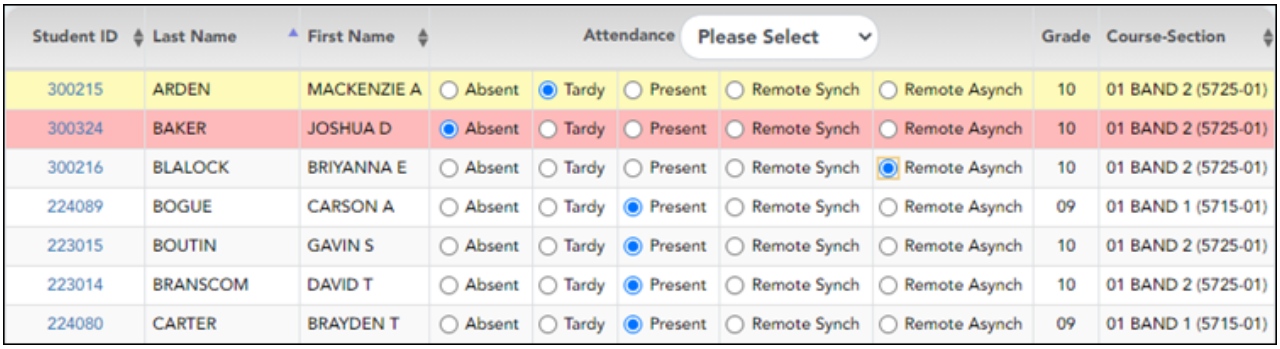
Student ID	The student's ID is displayed. Click the student ID to view the student's profile.
	The Star of Life icon is displayed for any student who has medical circumstances you should be aware of. To view details, click the student ID to view the student's profile (**Medical Alerts** section).
Last Name **First Name**	The first and last names of the students in the selected course-period are listed.

❑ Under **Attendance**:

By default, all students are set to **Present**. You will see these options if your campus chooses to use **Remote Asynch** attendance, **Remote Sync** attendance, or **Both**.

Present - physically present in the classroom
Remote Synch - online at the time of class
Remote Asynch - will complete the assignment at a later time

As you mark students **Absent** or **Tardy**, the rows change color.



Student ID	Last Name	First Name	Attendance: Please Select					Grade	Course-Section
300215	ARDEN	MACKENZIE A	Absent	Tardy	Present	Remote Synch	Remote Asynch	10	01 BAND 2 (5725-01)
300324	BAKER	JOSHUA D	Absent	Tardy	Present	Remote Synch	Remote Asynch	10	01 BAND 2 (5725-01)
300216	BLALOCK	BRIYANNA E	Absent	Tardy	Present	Remote Synch	Remote Asynch	10	01 BAND 2 (5725-01)
224089	BOGUE	CARSON A	Absent	Tardy	Present	Remote Synch	Remote Asynch	09	01 BAND 1 (5715-01)
223015	BOUTIN	GAVIN S	Absent	Tardy	Present	Remote Synch	Remote Asynch	10	01 BAND 2 (5725-01)
223014	BRANSCOM	DAVID T	Absent	Tardy	Present	Remote Synch	Remote Asynch	10	01 BAND 2 (5725-01)
224080	CARTER	BRAYDEN T	Absent	Tardy	Present	Remote Synch	Remote Asynch	09	01 BAND 1 (5715-01)

• Tardy students are shaded yellow.
• Absent students are shaded red.

If a student's absence is pre-posted (e.g., a scheduled band trip or a student who called in sick), the student is shaded gray, and the **Attendance** field displays the reason for the absence. Pre-posted absences are handled by the attendance clerk, so you are not able to mark attendance for the student.

The icon is displayed next to the attendance, if the attendance clerk entered comments associated with a student's attendance for the date and period displayed.

Click the icon to view the comments. The Comments window opens, and the comments are displayed. The date-time and user ID of the person who entered the comments are also displayed.

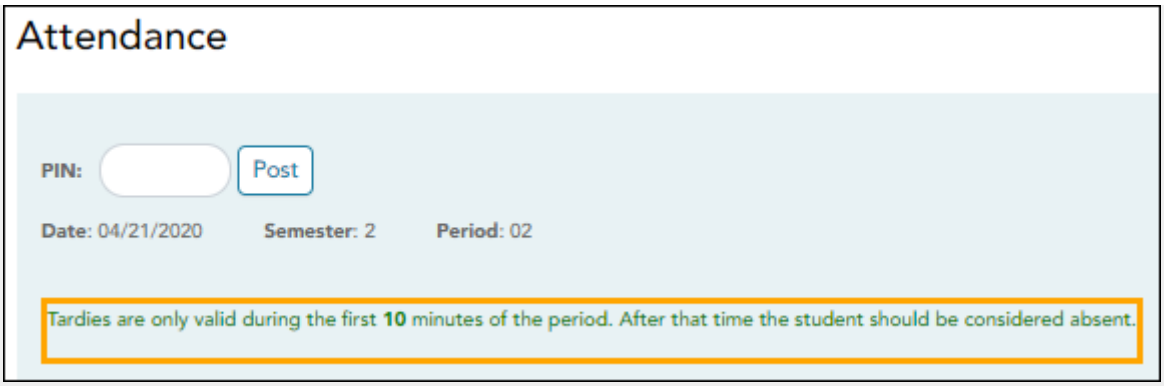
Click **Close** to close the Comments window.

• The **Absent** and **Tardy** fields are disabled during the ADA period, on the first day of school, and on the first day of enrollment.

• The **Absent** and **Tardy** fields are enabled during the ADA period if the student has a withdrawal reason due to a status change.

The **Tardy** field may not be displayed depending on campus attendance settings.

If the district allows tardies during the ADA period, the tardies may only be valid during a set number of minutes for the period. After this number of minutes has passed, the student should no longer be marked as **Tardy** and should be marked as **Absent**, although the program does not prevent you from marking a student as **Tardy** (except on the first day of semester 1). The number of minutes is determined by the district. If applicable, a message is displayed above the table indicating when tardies are valid.



Students who are on a track that does not meet on the selected date are listed; however, the **Absent**, **Tardy**, and **Present** fields are replaced by a message indicating that the date is not a membership day for the student.

Students whose first day (or re-entry day) is not the official first day of school cannot be marked absent during the ADA period on their first day. The **Absent** option is disabled.

Grade	The student's grade level is displayed.
Course Section	The course-section is displayed.
# Students	The total number of students enrolled in this period is displayed at the bottom of the **Student ID** column.
Print	Click to print the attendance roster for one period or all periods. The Attendance Roster Report Selection page opens allowing you to make selections for printing the Attendance Roster report.

Post attendance:

❑ After you have recorded attendance for the course, review your input carefully.

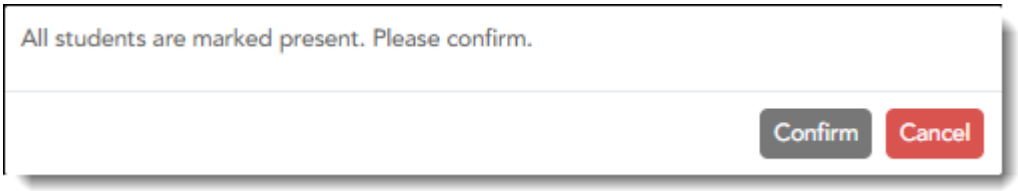
Be sure to follow procedures established by the district for recording attendance.

When you are satisfied with your attendance input, you must post the data.

PIN	Type your four-digit personal identification number (PIN). For your convenience, the **PIN** box and **Post** button are displayed at the top and bottom of the attendance list. You can use either box to post attendance. **NOTE**: Once attendance is posted the **PIN** box and **Post** button will be disabled.

❑ Click **Post**.

If you indicated that all students are present (and no absences were previously entered by the attendance clerk), you are prompted you to confirm that all students are marked present.



❑ Click **Confirm** to confirm.

Attendance is posted.

Generate attendance verification report.

Reports > Attendance Verification

This report displays attendance for all of your students for a selected course-section and date range. You can view data for up to one semester. You can also generate a summary report that displays only totals for the selected date range.

The following codes are used:

- A - Excused absence
- S - School-related absences
- T - Tardy
- X - Truant

An asterisk next to the attendance code indicates that the absence or tardy occurred in a course other than the course the student is currently enrolled in (e.g., if he transferred from one course to another during the school year).

NOTES:

- Inservice work days are indicated with an I in the column heading.

- Saturday may be a valid attendance date, even if the course does not meet on Saturday. This may be used for bad weather makeup days.

- If you are printing the report for more than three weeks, you should set the printer orientation setting to landscape or the **Page Scaling** field to *Shrink to Printable Area*. If the *Shrink to Printable Area* setting is not enabled, the landscape orientation will accommodate up to six weeks plus the **Total** column per page. Additional weeks (up to one semester) can be generated by entering the appropriate dates in the **From Date** and **To Date** fields; however, the report will print on multiple sheets of paper with a **Total** column on each page.

Attendance Verification Report

Teacher: Onassis , Jacqueline K | Per: 01 | Crs: ENVIRONMENT SYS (4216-31)

Student Count: 20 | ADA Reporting Period: 02 | Campus: 001 - 001 School

Sem: 2 | From: 04/27/2020 | To: 05/01/2020

Student Name	Student ID	Grade	1st Week 27 M	28 T	29 W	30 T	1 F	Total A	S	T
BALDERRAMA, DANNA P.	994254	11						0	0	0
BURFORD-ZAWAHREH, BURFORD-ZAWAHREH	993037	11						0	0	0
CADDELL, RILEY D.	981173	12						0	0	0
CASTILLO JR, ALAN H.	993929	10						0	0	0
CORTEZ, ZAYLEE B.	994450	12						0	0	0
DELEON, HUNTER J.	981029	11						0	0	0
DUBOSE, RUBY A.	993384	11						0	0	0
DYE, CANDACE R.	993033	11						0	0	0
EDWARDS, MALVIN E.	992457	12						0	0	0
ENGLISH, ANGEL S.	991798	12						0	0	0
GAMEZ, GUADALUPE T.	993281	11						0	0	0
MACIAS, EMILIANO X.	980063	11						0	0	0
MATA, MATA	982160	12						0	0	0
PEREZ, GABRIEL A.	992158	11						0	0	0
RADFORD, MEGHAN A.	992528	11						0	0	0
RANGEL, QUINTIN M.	992704	12						0	0	0
RODRIGUEZ, COLT G.	981030	11						0	0	0
SULLIVAN, MICHAEL G.	993478	12						0	0	0
VAQUERA, JACOB D.	993746	11						0	0	0
VAZQUEZ, CHRISTIAN R.	992709	12						0	0	0

Attendance Code Legend

*: Outside current course enrollment

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Attendance Verification Report

Teacher: Onassis , Jacqueline K | Per: 01 | Crs: ENVIRONMENT SYS (4216-31)

Student Count: 20 | ADA Reporting Period: 02 | Campus: 001 - 001 School

From: 04/27/2020 | To: 05/01/2020

Student Name	Student ID	Grade	Totals A	S	T
BALDERRAMA, DANNA P.	994254	11	0	0	0
BURFORD-ZAWAHREH, BURFORD-ZAWAHREH	993037	11	0	0	0
CADDELL, RILEY D.	981173	12	0	0	0
CASTILLO JR, ALAN H.	993929	10	0	0	0
CORTEZ, ZAYLEE B.	994450	12	0	0	0
DELEON, HUNTER J.	981029	11	0	0	0
DUBOSE, RUBY A.	993384	11	0	0	0
DYE, CANDACE R.	993033	11	0	0	0
EDWARDS, MALVIN E.	992457	12	0	0	0
ENGLISH, ANGEL S.	991798	12	0	0	0
GAMEZ, GUADALUPE T.	993281	11	0	0	0
MACIAS, EMILIANO X.	980063	11	0	0	0
MATA, MATA	982160	12	0	0	0
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Attendance Totals Legend

A: ABSENCES **S: SCHOOL-RELATED ABSENCES** **T: TARDIES**

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❑ Specify report options:

Semester	The current semester is displayed. You can select a different semester.
Course-Section	Select the course-section and period for which to print the report.

From Date **To Date**	Enter the beginning and ending dates. Both dates must fall within the selected semester.
Include Withdrawn Students	Withdrawn students are not automatically included. Select the field to include withdrawn students in the report.
Summary Only	Select to display only totals for the selected date range. If not selected, the report lists all absences for the selected date range.

❑ Click **Generate**.

- The report opens in a new window, and you can print the report from that window.
- The report selection page remains open on your desktop.

Generate attendance rosters.

Attendance > Attendance Rosters

This page allows you to print attendance rosters for one course or all of your courses at one time. A signature line is provided at the bottom of each period-course.

Date	Type a date in the MMDDYYYY format, or click to select a date from the calendar.
Semester	The current semester is displayed by default. You can select another semester.
Period	Select the period-course for which you want to print the roster. Or, select *ALL CLASSES* to print rosters for all periods.
Sorting Options	Indicate if you want to sort the rosters by student ID, last name, first name, or course-section.

❑ Click **Generate**.

- The report opens in a new window, and you can print the report from that window.
- The report selection page remains open on your desktop.

Generate seating chart report.

Reports > Seating Charts

This report prints a teacher's seating charts for all periods or one period. For each period, the seating chart is displayed followed by a list of students who are not assigned to seats. The seating chart lists the student name, gender, and ID.

If printed for all periods, each period prints on a separate page.

NOTE: If that field has been changed, and the seating charts have not been re-saved on Settings > Manage Charts since the setting was changed, a warning message is displayed when the report is generated indicating that the reports will not be accurate until the Manage Seating Charts page has been re-saved. You must review the seating chart for each period on the Manage Seating Charts page, make any necessary changes, and then re-save each chart.

❑ Specify report options:

<table>
<tr><td>Semester</td><td>The current semester is displayed. You can select a different semester.</td></tr>
<tr><td>Period</td><td>Select the period-course(s) to print the seating chart for, or select ALL CLASSES to print seating charts for all periods.

If Combine Courses in Attendance is selected on your Settings > Update Profile page, the courses are combined by period.</td></tr>
<tr><td>width</td><td>Select the width setting for the report.
<table>
<tr><td>Fixed Seat Width</td><td>Select to print a report in which all seats are the same width.

This setting works for small and average-size classes. For larger classes, some seats may not print on the page.</td></tr>
<tr><td>Auto-Adjusted Seat Width</td><td>Select to print a report in which each column is adjusted to the student name. Each column is only wide enough to accommodate the longest name in the column; therefore, some columns are wider than others. This setting is a better option for larger classes.</td></tr>
</table>
For either width setting, you can adjust the orientation when you print. Select Landscape to increase the number of students that fit on the page.</td></tr>
<tr><td>Show Pictures</td><td>Select to display student photos in the seating chart. Photos are only available if they have been added by the district.</td></tr>
</table>

❑ Click **Generate**.

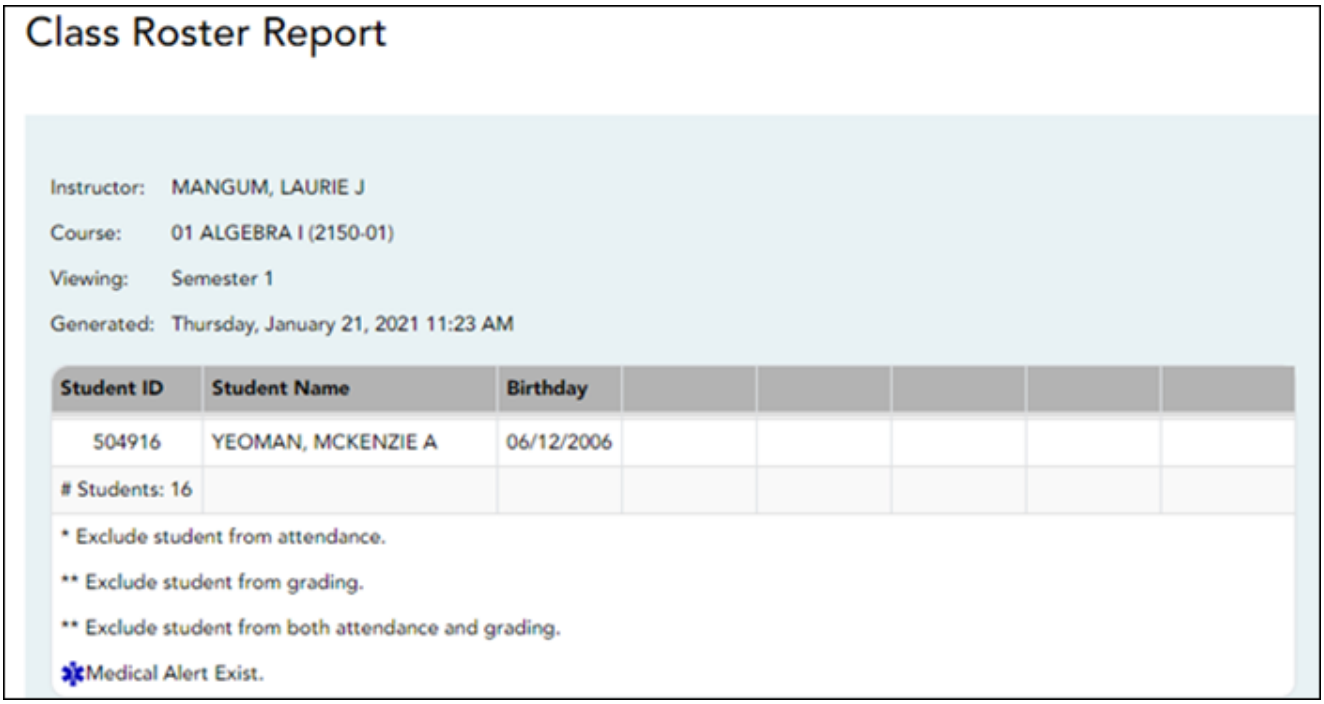
- The report opens in a new window, and you can print the report from that window.
- The report selection page remains open on your desktop.

Generate class roster report.

Reports > Class Roster

This report provides a blank class roster by semester and course, including a list of students enrolled in the course and up to 50 blank columns. You can choose the sort order and whether to include the student's birth date and contact information. The report can be exported in CSV format.

If you print the report for a course group, the **Course Section** column is included allowing you to identify the course-section in which the student is enrolled.



Class Roster Report

Instructor: MANGUM, LAURIE J
Course: 01 ALGEBRA I (2150-01)
Viewing: Semester 1
Generated: Thursday, January 21, 2021 11:23 AM

Student ID	Student Name	Birthday					
504916	YEOMAN, MCKENZIE A	06/12/2006					
# Students: 16							

* Exclude student from attendance.
** Exclude student from grading.
** Exclude student from both attendance and grading.
Medical Alert Exist.

❑ Specify report options:

Semester	The current semester is displayed. You can select a different semester.
Course-Section	Select the course-section and period for which to print the report. The drop down lists the two-digit period and course name. The course number and section number are in parentheses. If course groups have been created on the Course Grouping page, the groups are listed as well as the individual courses.
Columns	Type the number of blank columns to display on the report, up to 50.

Display Options	**Birthday**	Select to include the student's birth date. The **Birthday** column will be included in the report.
	Student Email	Select to include the student's email address.
	Contact Information	Select to include the student's contact information. The **Contact Information** columns will be included in the report, and all of the student's contacts are listed. The contact's name, relationship, cell phone, home phone, business phone, other phone, mailing address, and e-mail address are listed.
	Guardian Last Viewed IPR/Report Card Date	Select to include the date on which a parent/guardian last viewed the student's interim progress report (IPR) or report card online.
Sorting Options	Indicate the order in which to sort the report data. You can sort by student name (last name), Student ID, course-section (for course groups), birth date (if included), or custom student order. Custom student order is the order specified for the course-section on Settings > Arrange Student Order.	

❑ Click **Generate**.

- The report opens in a new window, and you can print the report from that window.
- The report selection page remains open on your desktop.

Grading tasks:

Create assignments.

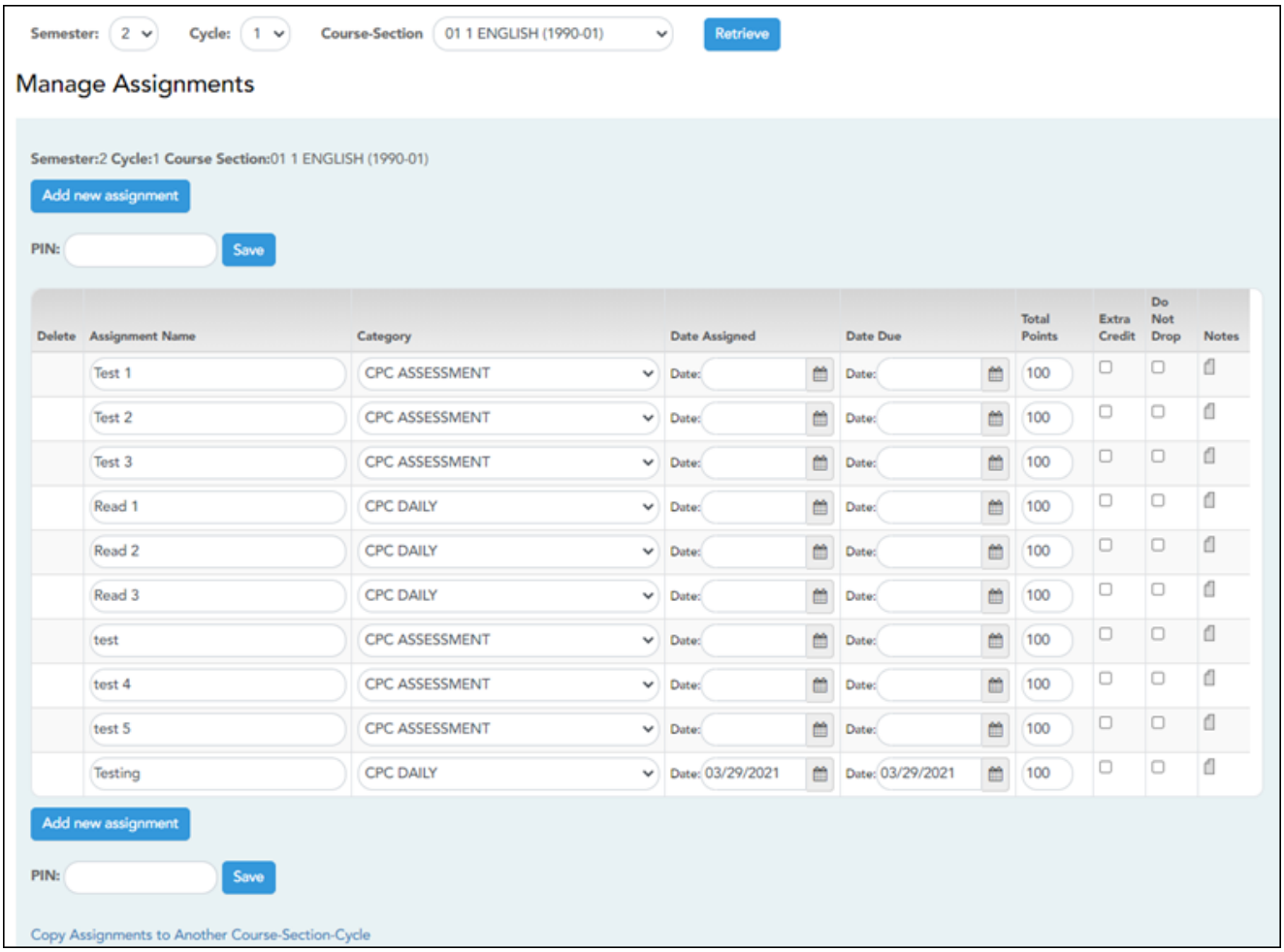
Settings > Manage Assignments

This page allows you to add assignments for your active courses, including extra credit assignments. You can also copy the assignments to other courses.

Categories must be established for the course on Settings > Manage Categories before you can add assignments.

Different fields are displayed according to the type of course selected (category-based (i.e., regular) courses and standards-based courses).

You cannot make changes to assignments once the cycle is closed.



❑ Specify the course-section:

Semester	The current semester is displayed by default. You can select another semester.
Cycle	The current cycle is displayed by default. You can select another cycle.
Course-Section	Select the course-section you want to add assignments for. The drop down lists the two-digit period and course name. The course number and section number are in parentheses. **NOTE:** For courses that are part of a course group, any changes to an assignment will apply to all courses in the group. An assignment can only be modified or deleted if no grades exist for the assignment for any course in the group.

❑ Click **Retrieve**.

Assignments that have previously been entered for the semester-cycle-course-section are listed. Otherwise, the message “No Assignment Exists” is displayed.

❑ Click **Add new assignment** to add a new assignment.

A blank row is added to the grid.

Assignment Name	Type a name for the assignment (e.g., Pop Quiz 1), up to 50 characters, that is unique no matter what the category is per semester/cycle. Assignment names can be changed at any time, as needed. **TIP:** It is helpful to keep the assignment name as brief as possible; however, the name should be descriptive enough to distinguish it from other assignments. Longer assignment names require more space on the Assignment Grades page, which may result in a more cumbersome page. See notes on Special Characters and Copy/Paste From Other Documents. **NOTE**: Assignment Names cannot contain a pipe character (|).
Category	Select a category for the assignment. These categories are established on Settings > Manage Categories. If a color has been assigned to the category on the Manage Categories page, the drop-down list displays the assigned color for the category. This field is not displayed for standards-based courses; the **Edit Standards** column is displayed instead.
Edit Standards/Skills	For standards-based courses, the number of standards currently associated for the assignment is displayed. **This field is only displayed for standards-based courses.**

# Standards	❑ Click the link. The Editing Standards for Assignment: Assignment Name window opens. An assignment cannot be saved unless it has at least one standard associated with it.

Available Standards	All available standard-sets and associated standards are listed. Select the standards you want to associate with the assignment. To select multiple consecutive standards, click the first standard, then press and hold SHIFT while clicking the last standard in the range. To select multiple nonconsecutive standards, click a standard, then press and hold CTRL while clicking the other standards.

❑ Click **Add»** to associate the selected standard(s) with the assignment.

Selected Standards	The selected standards are listed under the appropriate standard set name.

❑ To remove a standard from an assignment, select the standard under **Selected Standards**, and then click **«Del**.
The standard is moved back to the **Available Standards** list.
NOTE: You cannot delete a standard if there are any assignment grades for the standard.

❑ Click **OK** to close the window.

The **Edit Standards** field is updated to reflect the number of standards associated with the assignment.

Date Assigned	Type the assignment date in the MMDDYYYY format, or click to select a date from the calendar. **NOTE:** This field is critical for running the Graded Assignment Count admin report. If this field is blank for an assignment, and a date range is selected when running the report, the assignment is not included in the report.
Date Due	Type the assignment date in the MMDDYYYY format, or click to select a date from the calendar. **NOTE:** You can also set a default value for this field using the in the **Default Assignment Due Date** field on Settings > Update Profile. Valid options are no default date, the current date, or up to five days in the future. You can override the default date as needed.
Total Points	Type the total number of possible points for the assignment. Do not type zero unless it is an extra credit assignment. The field is set to 100 by default. This field is not displayed for standards-based courses. **NOTE:** If you have assigned a rubric chart to this assignment, this field displays the total possible points for the rubric chart and cannot be updated. If you are using percentage-based weighting, and if the field is not set to 100, the warning icon ! is displayed next to the field. When you click !, a warning message opens indicating that you should review the Help for Calculating Averages (Calculate Averages guide) to understand how the grades are calculated in this situation. This warning is also displayed when you click **Save** if the points are not set to 100. Select **Do not show this message again** if you do not want to receive this reminder every time you click **Save**. **WARNING:** If all assignments in a category do not have the same total points value, then the calculations for dropping a specified number of assignments for the category (as indicated in the **# Drop** field on Settings > Manage Categories) may result in an average that is different than expected. If the total points value varies, the grade with the lowest number of points may not necessarily be the lowest grade.

Extra Credit	Select if the assignment is for extra credit. **NOTE:** If the assignment is for extra credit, the **Total Points** is set to zero and cannot be changed. Extra credit assignments add points to the average for the category selected. If a student has no grade or a zero for the extra credit assignment, it does not count against him when his average is calculated. See the Extra Credit section of the Calculate Averages guide for an explanation of calculating averages with extra credit for each weighting type. This field is not available for standards-based courses or assignments that have a rubric chart assigned.
Do Not Drop	Select if you do not want to drop that particular assignment. This field relates to the **# Drop** field on Settings > Manage Categories. If **Do Not Drop** is selected, the assignment grade is not dropped, even if it is the student's lowest grade, and you have specified to drop one or more of the lowest grades in a particular category. This field does not apply to standards-based courses.

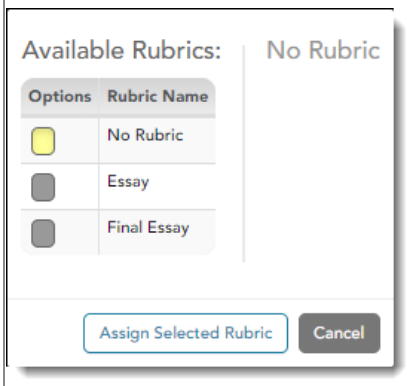
Rubric

You can assign an existing rubric chart to the assignment, which allows you to grade the assignment using a rubric chart. The rubric charts are created on Settings > Rubric Setup.

• If a rubric chart is not currently associated with the assignment, the icon (three black squares) is displayed.

• If a rubric chart is currently associated with the assignment, the icon (four multicolored squares) is displayed.

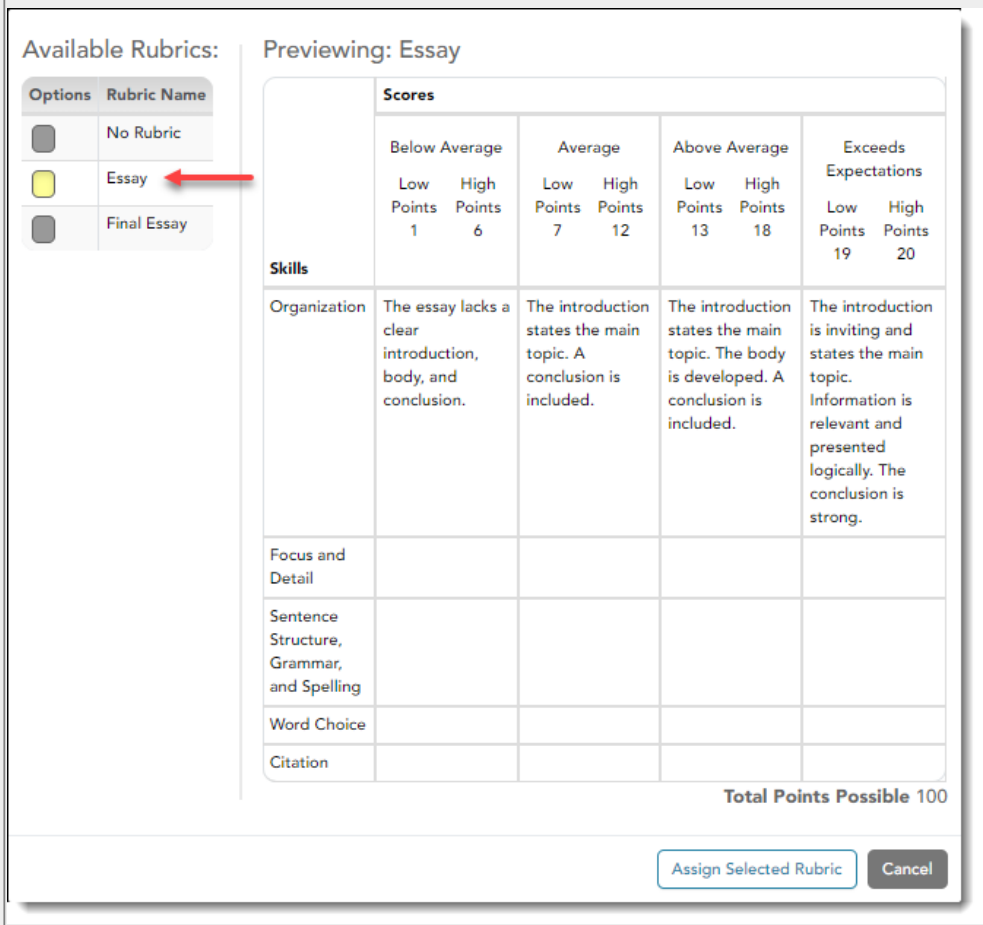
❑ Click the icon to associate a rubric chart with the assignment or to change the associated rubric chart.
The rubric chart window opens.



Under **Available Rubrics**, any rubric charts you have created that have at least one skill and one score are listed.

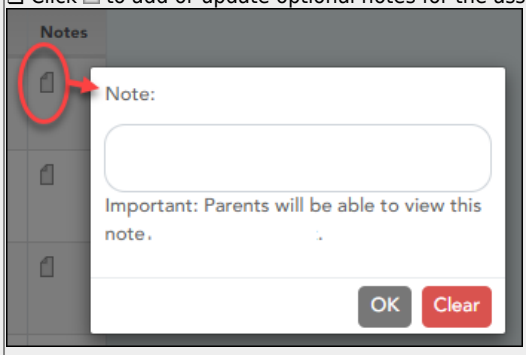
Available Rubrics

Click for the rubric chart you want to use. If the rubric is selected, the box becomes yellow.



You can only change the rubric chart assigned to an assignment if no grades exist for the rubric chart.

❑ Click **Assign Selected Rubric**.
The window closes.
IMPORTANT: The **Total Points** field for the assignment changes to display the maximum possible points for the rubric chart (maximum possible points x skill count) and is read-only.

Notes	❑ Click to add or update optional notes for the assignment.  If entered, these notes are viewable in ParentPortal. The notes above on special characters for the **Assignment Name** field also apply to this field. ❑ Add or update the note in the Note window and click **OK**. The Note window closes, and the note icon is yellow to indicate that a note was entered. ❑ Or, to clear an existing note for the assignment, click **Clear**. The Note window closes, and the note icon is gray to indicate that no notes exist.
	Click to delete an assignment. **NOTE:** You cannot delete an assignment if grades have been posted for the assignment. If you delete grades on the Assignment Grades page in order to delete an assignment, you must be sure to delete the grade for any withdrawn students too.

Save assignments:

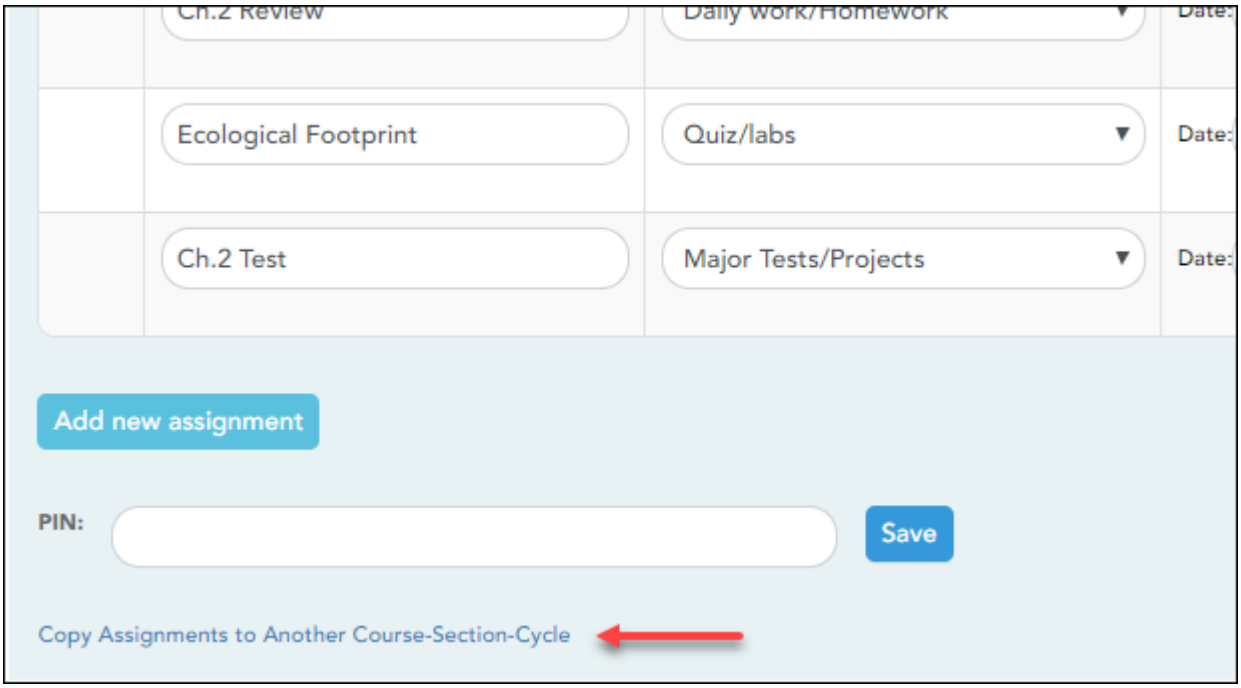
PIN	Type your four-digit personal identification number (PIN).

❑ Click **Save**.

Copy assignments to another course-section:

Once you have saved assignments for a course, you can copy the assignments to another course-section.

❑ Use the **Semester**, **Cycle**, and **Course-Section** fields to select the course-section *from* which to copy assignments.



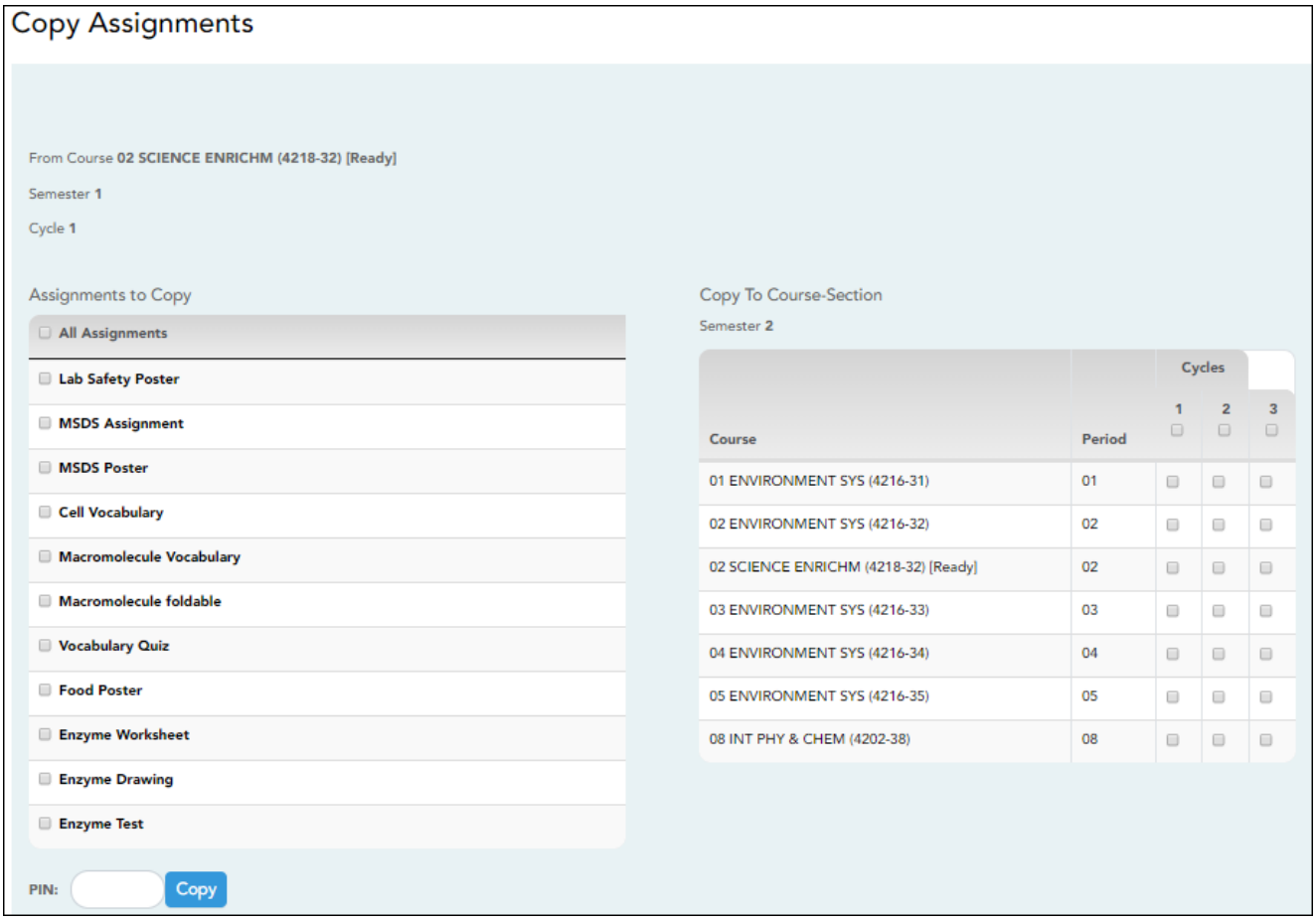
❑ Click **Copy Assignments to Another Course-Section-Cycle**.

The Copy Assignments page opens.

Once you establish the assignments for a course on Settings > Manage Assignments, you can copy the assignments to other course-sections.

- If you are copying assignments for the current semester-cycle, the entire assignment record is copied, including the assignment date and due date.
- If you are copying assignments to a future semester-cycle, the assignment record is copied without the assignment date and due date.

This page is only accessible from the Manage Assignments page.



From Course	The course-section, semester, and cycle selected on previous page are displayed. This is the course-section you are copying categories *from*.
Assignments to Copy	All assignments for the selected course-section are listed. Select specific assignments, or select **All Assignments** to select all.
Copy To Course-Section	All course-sections for all cycles are listed. Closed cycles are disabled. Select specific course-sections to copy assignments to, or select the cycle check box to select all course-sections for the cycle.

PIN	Type your four-digit personal identification number (PIN).

❑ Click **Copy**.

The list of assignments and the courses to which the assignments were copied is displayed.

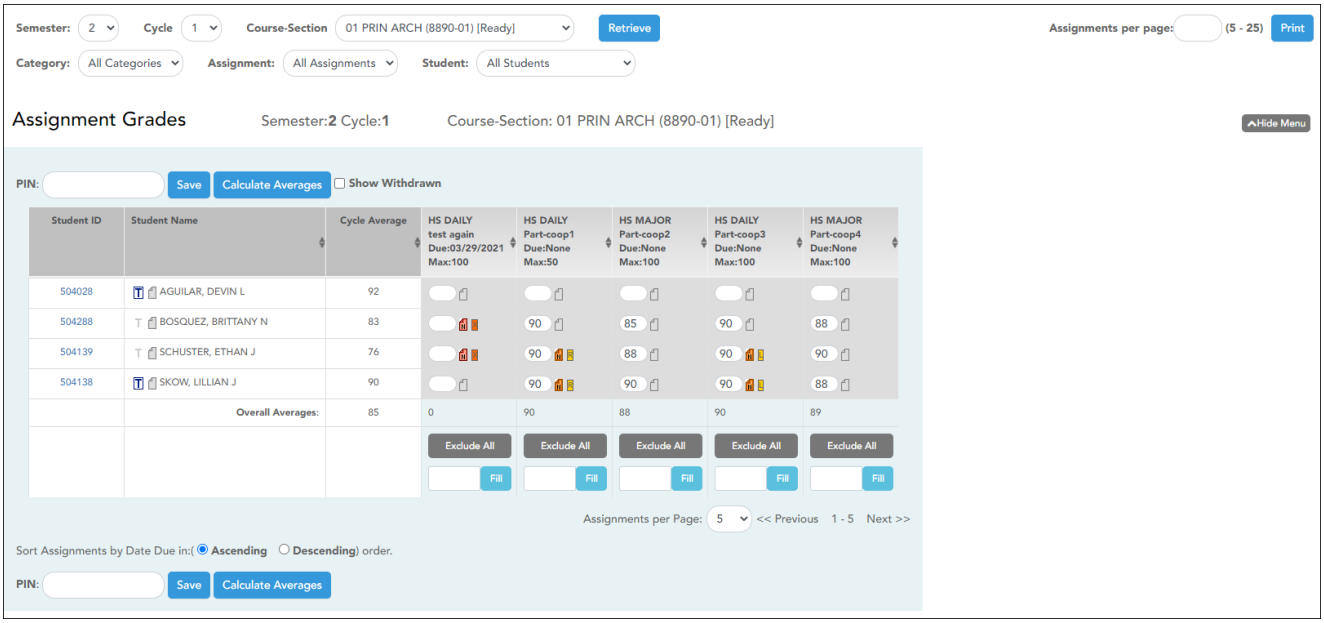
❑ Click **Return to Assignments** to return to the Manage Assignments page.

Enter assignment grades.

Grades > Assignment Grades

This page allows you to view and enter assignment grades for students by semester, cycle, and course-section. You can enter comments and indicators for each assignment grade (e.g., excluded, late, or re-do), and you can print grades by assignment. You can also accept transfer students into a course and enter a walk-in average for those students.

NOTE: Students are not listed on this page prior to the first day of school.



❑ Select the course-section you want to enter assignment grades for:

Semester	The current semester is displayed by default. You can select another semester.
Cycle	The current cycle is displayed by default. You can select another cycle.
Course-Section	Select the course-section you want to enter assignment grades for. The drop down lists the two-digit period and course name. The course number and section number are in parentheses. **NOTES:** If the course is marked as ready to post on Grades > Cycle Grades, the message "[READY]" is displayed next to the course. If course groups have been created on Settings > Manage Course Groups > Course Grouping, the groups are listed, as well as the individual courses. Any group that does not have courses associated with it is not listed.

❑ Click **Retrieve**.

The students and assignments are displayed according to your selections in the previous steps. Students are sorted by last name, unless you have specified a custom sort order on Settings > Arrange Student Order.

❑ You can further filter the students and assignments displayed:

Category	Select the category to enter assignment grades for, or select *All Categories*. These categories are set up on Settings > Manage Categories. If a color has been assigned to the category on the Manage Categories page, the assigned color is displayed.
Assignment	Select the assignment you want to enter grades for, or select *All Assignments*.
Student	Select the student you want to filter by, or select *All Students*.

The grid lists all students currently enrolled in the course-section and the assignments according to your selections.

The columns can be re-sorted.

The columns can be sorted according to your preferences.

- An up arrow indicates the column and order by which the table is currently sorted.
- If a column can be sorted, a sort box is displayed in the column heading.
- To resort the list by another column heading, click in the column heading. The column is sorted in ascending order, as indicated by in the column heading.
- To sort the column in descending order, click again. The sort arrow changes direction .

If you sort by the last name column, the table sorts by last name, then first name. If you sort by the first name column, the table sorts by first name, then last name.

NOTE: Sorting the columns overrides the custom sort order established on the Arrange Student Order page. However, if you leave this page and return, the students are displayed in your custom sort order. (This does not apply on the Post/View Attendance page.)

Student ID: The student's ID is displayed. Click the student ID to view the student's profile.

❑ **Student Name**:

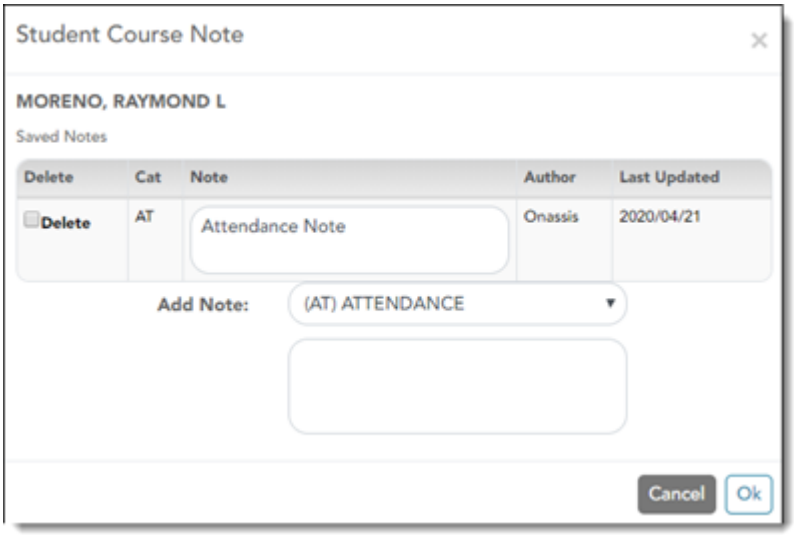
(**Star of Life**):

The Star of Life icon is displayed for any student who has medical circumstances you should be aware of. To view details, click the student ID to view the student's profile (**Medical Alerts** section).

(**Note-Gray**):

Next to the student's name, click the icon to view or add a course note about the student. The note icon is yellow if a course note already exists for the student.

The Student Course Note pop-up window opens allowing you to enter or update comments.



NOTE: These notes are not displayed to parents/guardians.

The student's name is displayed. Verify that you are adding/updating the note for the correct student.

❑ Under **Saved Notes**:

Any existing notes for the student are listed. You can view all notes for courses to which you have access.

Cat: Note category codes:
- AT - Attendance
- DS - Discipline
- GN - General
- HL - Health
- SP - Supplies

Note: If you created the note, you can update it, up to 3269 characters.

Author: The last name of the person who entered the note is displayed based on the user login.

Last Updated: The date on which the note was last updated is displayed.

Delete: Select to delete an existing note. You can only delete a note if you created it, or if you are the Teacher of Record for the course. For example, the Teacher of Record can delete a note entered by an Assistant Teacher for the course.

❑ Under **Add Note**:

To add a new note, select the category code indicating what the new note is related to, such as AT for attendance.

In the text box, type the new note, up to 3269 characters per note.

❑ Click **Save**.

NOTE: The Student Notes report provides a report of these course notes.

(**Transfer T**):

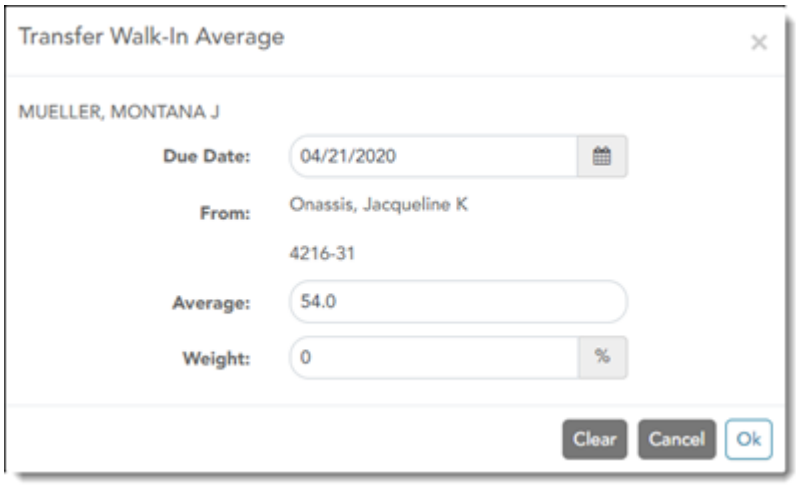
Beside each student's name is the transfer icon (i.e., a gray T) indicating that he is not a transfer student. If a student transfers into the class, the red transfer icon is displayed next to his name.

NOTE: The student will only have a red T if he is transferring from one section to another section within the same course. Otherwise the T will remain gray.

If a student transfers into the course, you must accept the student into the course and enter his walk-in transfer average and weight. The campus, student ID, semester, and cycle must all be the same for the average to transfer.

❑ To accept the transfer student into the course-section, click .

The Transfer Walk-In Average window opens.



Date: The student's transfer date is displayed by default. You can type over the date in the MMDDYYYY format. Or, click to select a date from the calendar.

From: The teacher name, course number, and section are displayed for the course from which the student transferred. This data is only displayed if the student transferred from a different section of the same course and has a transfer average.

Average: The student's transfer average is displayed if available. Otherwise, you can type the student's walk-in average.

This is the student's average in the class from which he transferred. You can enter a numeric grade or an alphabetical (ABCD or ESNU) grade.

NOTE: If a student transferred from a course that posts letter grades to a course that posts numeric grades, and a letter grade is entered for his transfer average, the student's working cycle average is displayed as a numeric grade.

See the Calculate Averages guide for an explanation of calculating averages for each weighting type for an explanation of calculating averages for transfer students.

Weight: The field displays 0 for a transfer student who has not yet been accepted into the class.

To accept the student into your class, type the weight you want to apply to the student's transfer average. For example, if a student transferred three weeks into a six-week cycle, you may want to enter a weight of 50%. The maximum weight you can enter is 100.

The student's transfer icon remains red until a weight is entered and saved.

Once you enter and save a weight, the student's transfer icon turns blue . The blue icon remains until the end of the semester.

❑ Click **Ok**.

If you entered and saved the transfer average data for the student, his walk-in average is calculated in his working cycle average.

NOTE: The changes are not actually saved until you type your PIN and click **Save Grades**.

Clear: Clear all data previously entered for the transfer student.

NOTE: Any course assignments that were due prior to the student's transfer date are excluded for the student, and the Exclude indicator is displayed for the assignments. You can override the exclusion if you want the transfer student to complete an assignment that was due prior to his transfer date.

To override the exclusion, click , clear the **Exclude** field. Click **OK** and save.

NOTE: For standards-base courses, accepting a transfer student is a manual process. The transfer icon is not displayed.

Calculating the average for a transfer student:

If a student transfers into the course during a cycle, the following calculations are used to determine his working cycle average:

Formula for transfer student:

1.	For the transfer grade, multiply the Transfer Average by the Transfer Weight: Transfer Average x Transfer Weight = Transfer Value **For example:** The student's Transfer Average is 74. The student's Transfer Weight is 55%. 74 x 55% = 40.7 The student's Transfer Value is 40.7.
2.	Calculate the average of the student's assignment grades (for the remainder of the cycle) using the steps described above under Percent-based, Point-based, or Multiplier-based. **For example:** The percent-based example above shows a Working Cycle Average of 87.

3.	Calculate the weight for the Working Cycle Average: 100% - Transfer Weight = Working Cycle Average Weight **For example:** The student's Transfer Weight is 55%. 100% - 55% = 45% The student's Working Cycle Average Weight is 45%.
4.	Calculate the Working Cycle Average Value. Working Cycle Average x Working Cycle Average Weight = Working Cycle Average Value **For example:** The student's Working Cycle Average is 87. The student's Working Cycle Average Weight is 45%. 87 x 45% = 39.15 The student's Working Cycle Average Value is 39.15.
5.	Take the sum of the Transfer Value and the Working Cycle Average Value. Transfer Value + Working Cycle Average Value = Actual Working Cycle Average **For example:** The student's Transfer Value is 40.7. The student's Working Cycle Average Value is 39.5. 40.7 + 39.5 = 80.2 The student's Actual Working Cycle Average is 80.

If a student transferred from a course that posts letter grades to a course that posts numeric grades and a letter grade is entered for his transfer average, the grade conversion table is used to determine the numeric value.

❑ **Cycle Average**:

The student's working cycle average is displayed. The average is updated every time you access the page, click **Calculate Averages**, or save grades. If the student does not yet have a working cycle average, the field is blank.

• The working cycle average is calculated according to the weighting selected on Settings > Manage Categories, as well as calculations described in the the Calculate Averages guide.

• The working cycle average is rounded to a whole number. If the decimal value is .5 or greater, the grade is rounded up.

• If you use percentage-based categories, and you have a category that does not yet have grades (e.g., if it is early in the cycle and you have not administered any tests), the student's working cycle average is calculated based on the percentages for the categories that have grades. For more information on calculations, view the Help for **Weighting Type** on Settings > Manage Categories.

❑ **Show Averages as Alpha**:

If the course is set up to post alphabetical grades, the field is displayed.

• Select the field to display averages as alphabetical grades.
• Clear the field to display the averages as numbers.

NOTE: For courses that use alphabetical grades, a cookie is set to remember the setting, and the page will always display averages according to the setting by default. **Averages are also displayed on the Cycle Grades page according to the setting.** Courses that use numeric grades will always display grades numerically.

❑ **Sort Assignments by Date Due in**:

Assignments are listed left to right in ascending order by the due date. (If there is no due date, they are displayed by the date assigned. Otherwise, the date entered is used.)

To change the assignment display order to descending, change this setting to **Descending**.

❑ **Category**:

The category for the assignment is displayed first in the column heading row, above the assignment name.

The assignments are color-coded according to the category. If a color is assigned to the category on Settings > Administer Categories, the column displays the selected color.

❑ **Assignment Name**:

The assignment name is displayed in the column heading below the category name.

❑ **Due**:

The assignment due date is displayed if entered on Settings > Manage Assignments.

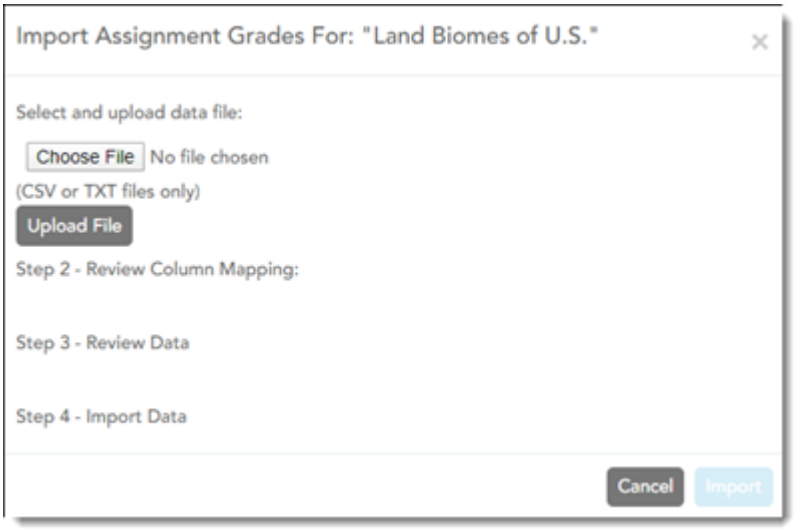
❑ **Max**:

The total points possible for the assignment is displayed if entered in the **Total Points** field on Settings > Manage Assignments.

(**Import**)

For campuses that use curriculum and test taking systems (e.g., eInstruction and Eduphoria), click the icon to import a data file that only includes the student's ID, assignment grade, first name, and last name.

NOTE: The import function is not available on mobile devices.



• Only .csv and .txt files can be imported. The text file must be comma-separated data with one student per row.

• Attempting to import for students not in the course will create exceptions errors that cause the import to fail. Deleting these rows should allow the import to be successful.

• You can only import assignment grades for existing students.

• You can only import grades where students has blank grades for the particular assignment. If the student already has grades, the data is displayed in red and crossed out.

Steps for importing the data file:

❑ Click to import grades for the assignment.

The Import Assignment Grades window opens allowing you to upload the data file, review the data, and import the file.

❑ Under **Step 1**, click **Browse** to select the data file. Locate and open the file.

The file name is displayed.

❑ Click **Upload File**.

When the upload is complete, the “Success” message is displayed indicating the name of the uploaded file.

❑ Under **Step 2**, review the default file format and adjust the columns of your data if necessary:

❑ Under **To Column**, the default file format is listed. The format is determined according to the type of data found in the uploaded file. For example, a six-digit string of numbers is assumed to be the student ID, and a string of up to three characters is assumed to be an assignment grade. There are four columns:

- Student ID
- Assign Grade
- First Name
- Last Name

NOTE: For the six-digit student ID, include all leading zeros.

❑ Under **From Column**, make adjustments as needed.

For example, if the default file format has the first name before the last name, and

you want the last name before the first name, you can change the columns under **From Column** accordingly (i.e., change column 3 to 4, and change column 4 to 3). **NOTE:** The order of the first and last names is not important when uploading this file.

❑ If you assign the same column number to more than one column, the message “duplicate” is displayed by the duplicated column. You must correct this before proceeding.

❑ As you make any changes under **Step 2**, the data displayed under **Step 3** changes accordingly. Review the data under **Step 3** before importing the file.

❑ When the data under **Step 3** is being refreshed, the message “validating” is displayed. Wait until the message goes away.

• If errors are encountered, the records with errors are displayed in red with a strikethrough. The number of errors found is listed below the grid. Errors may include mismatched or invalid data.

• Currently, the only acceptable error is an error due to the student already having a grade for the assignment. Exception errors due to invaid records will cause the import to fail.

❑ When you are satisfied with the data under **Step 3**, click **Import Now** under **Step 4**. The data is imported, and the assignment grade fields on the Assignment Grades page are populated with data from the import file.

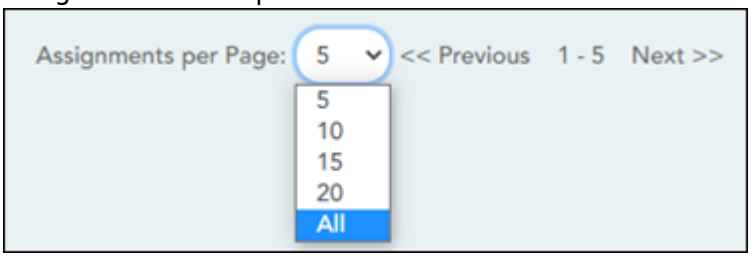
The **Import Now** button is disabled if there are no valid records to import.

NOTE: If the course has any withdrawn students, the import file has a record for the withdrawn students. Therefore, you must select **Show withdrawn students** on the Assignment Grades page to import the grade for the withdrawn students. If you do not select **Show withdrawn students**, the import file will generate errors for the withdrawn students.

❑ **Assignments per Page**

By default, the page displays only the first five assignments. You can change the number of assignments displayed.

To print all assignments, select **All** from the drop-down menu or select the number of specific assignments to be printed.



❑ **Previous/Next**:

If there are more assignments, use the buttons to view the other assignments.

❑ Enter the grades in the grid.

NOTES:

- Only whole numbers can be entered for numeric grades.
- To add extra credit points, you can add points to the assignment grade.
- When you enter or change a grade, the table cell turns gray to indicate that the grade was changed but not yet saved. Once you save the assignment grades, the cell is no longer gray.
- If you type an invalid grade, such as a letter grade that does not have a conversion value, the cell is shaded red. You must correct the entry before you can save the grades.
- Dropped grades are italicized.
- If the course is set up for alphabetical or ESNU grade posting, you can type letter grades or numeric grades. If you type a letter grade, it is automatically converted to a numeric grade for calculating the working cycle average, according to the conversion values set by the campus.
- Other codes can be typed in place of a grade:
    - M - Missing
    - I - Incomplete (If you type I for any grade, the student's working cycle average

will be I until a grade is entered.)
    - X - Excluded (The X functions the same way as clicking the note icon and selecting **Exclude** from the Grade Properties window.)
    - Only one shortcut code can be entered per assignment grade.

- If the campus has disabled posting of grades for prior cycles, you cannot make changes to assignment grades for previous semesters-cycles. The **Save Grades** button is disabled.

- Grades can be entered in the shaded fields for the selected skills on the Assignment Grades page. The field will change from gray to white and the grades will print on the report card. However, grades should not be entered in the shaded fields for the selected skills for the **Semester** and **Cycle** that appear gray on the Assignment Grades page.

- You can navigate through the grade fields using the keyboard

  Press ENTER after you type each grade to move down the list to the next student. You can press SHIFT+ENTER to move up the list. You can also press the up and down arrow keys to move up and down the list.

  Press TAB to move across the list to the next assignment. You can press SHIFT+TAB to move back to the left.

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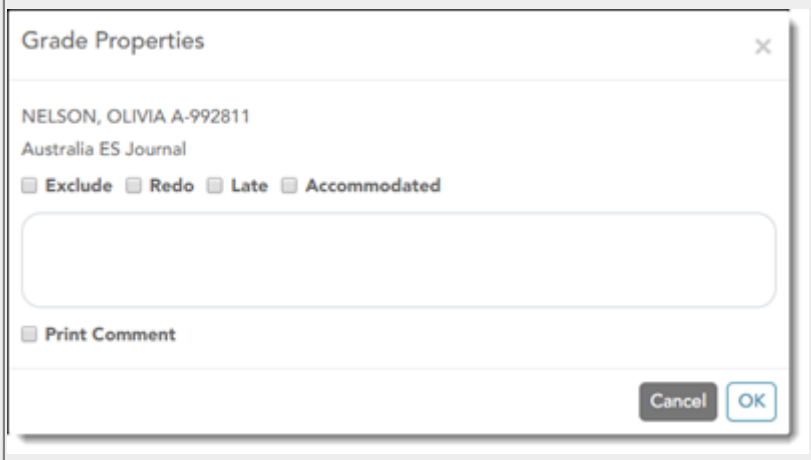
Next the grade field, click to open the Grade Properties window where you can add comments or indicators (e.g., excluded, late, re-do, or accommodated) associated with an assignment.



Enter comments and/or select the appropriate indicator(s).

If there is no grade for the assignment, it cannot be marked as late or re-do.

The icon is displayed if the assignment grade is excluded (e.g., for a transfer student). The grade will continue to be displayed in the field.

Print comment	Select if you want the indicators and/or comments to print on the student's IPR and display to parents in ParentPortal.

Click **OK** to close the window.
WARNING: Your comments and/or selections are not actually saved until you type your PIN and click **Save** to save all data on the Assignment Grades page.

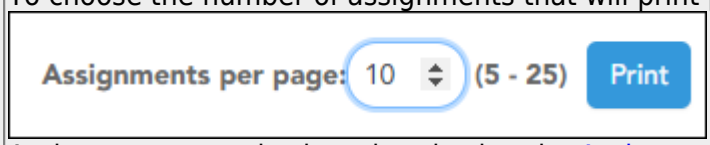
The following icons are displayed in the grade fields according to the comments and/or indicators entered:

Indicators:
- Excluded
- Late (not excluded)
- Re-do (not excluded)
- Accommodated

Notes:
- Excluded with comments
- Late or re-do with comments
- Comments only
- No comments

NOTE: If an assignment is excluded for a student, and you have entered a number in the **# Drop** field on Settings > Manage Categories (indicating that you want to drop a specified number of assignments for a category), the assignment grade does not count toward the number that will be dropped. Only non-excluded grades are dropped.

	If a rubric chart has been associated with the assignment, the icon is displayed next to the grade field allowing you to grade the assignment using a rubric chart. ❑ Click the icon to open the rubric in a window where you can type a score for each skill. ❑ When all scores have been entered, click **Update Assignment Grade**. The score (i.e., the sum of all scores entered) is calculated and displayed in the grade field. **NOTE:** When entering a score for a skill, you are not limited to the range specified in the rubric chart. For example, if the score range is 0-5, you are not prevented from typing 0 or 6. If you type a score for some skills but not all skills in the rubric chart, the sum of the scores entered is calculated and displayed in the grade field. If the grade for the assignment should be zero, you must type 0 for one of the skill scores. You can type a grade directly into the grade field even if a rubric chart is assigned to the assignment.
Exclude All	Click to mass exclude grades for an assignment for all students. The button for the column turns red, all indicator icons are red, and the field turns gray to indicate that the grade is excluded for the student. To override the exclusion for a specific student, click , unselect **Exclude**, and then click **Ok**.
Fill	Use the button and adjacent field to mass enter an assignment grade for all students. For example, if you entered grades for all students who turned in the assignment, and you want to enter zeros for all other students, type 0 in the field, and then click **Fill**. All blank grade fields for the assignment are changed to 0. Or, to mass replace blank grades with a value (e.g., 100), type the grade in the field, and then click **Fill**. All blank grades for the assignment are changed to the entered grade. To change all assignment grades to blanks, delete any data from the field, and then click **Fill**. All grades for the assignment are changed to blank.
Overall Averages	The overall averages (i.e., class averages) for the working cycle average and each assignment are displayed in the bottom row of the table. The overall averages are updated every time you click **Calculate Averages** and every time you save grades.

Print	Use this option instead of the browser's print option. This printout contains formatting to handle the features on the Assignment Grades page. To choose the number of assignments that will print per page, use the up/down arrow.  Assignments can also be printed using the Assignment Grades Report.

Save Data:

Any data that has changed since the last time you saved your grades is indicated by gray shading in the table cell.

NOTE: Be aware that you may have changed data that is not currently displayed on the page. All changes are saved, including those that are not visible on the page. For example, if you are currently viewing assignment grades for one student, but you previously entered grades for other students, the grades for all students are saved, regardless of what is displayed on the page at the time you save the data.

PIN	Type your four-digit personal identification number (PIN).

❑ Click **Save**.

Generate assignment grades report.

Reports > Assignment Grades

This report lists assignment grades for all students in a course according to options entered on this page. The overall assignment average and class average are also displayed.

- Excluded grades are indicated by Ex in place of the grade.
- Dropped grades are indicated by D next to the grade.

NOTE: The **Category Legend** as it appears on the report matches the **Cat ID** (category ID) column (in the **Assignment Legend**) to the corresponding category name and category weight. The **Assignment Legend** matches the assignment ID heading to the corresponding assignment name, total points, and **Cat ID**.

❑ Specify report options:

Semester	The current semester is displayed. You can select a different semester.
Cycle	The current cycle is displayed. You can select a different cycle.

Course-Section	Select the course-section for which to print the report. Or, select *All* to produce the report for all of your course-sections. The drop down lists the two-digit period and course name. The course number and section number are in parentheses.

Viewing Options	**View Student Names**	Select to display the student names on the report. Otherwise, the names are not printed on the report, and students can only be identified by their student IDs. The student IDs are always displayed on the report.
	View Withdrawn Students	Withdrawn students are not automatically displayed. Select the field to display them. The message “W/D” and the withdrawal date or “Dropped” are displayed by the student's name. The withdrawal date may be the student's withdrawal date from school or his withdrawal date from the class.
Sorting Options	Indicate the field to sort the report by.	
	Custom Student Order	This option is only displayed if **Student Order** on the Update Profile page is set to add new students to the top of the list or bottom of the list. Select **Custom Student Order** to sort the report in your custom sort order. If you have not specified a custom sort order for a particular class, the students are sorted by name.

❑ Click **Generate**.

- The report opens in a new window, and you can print the report from that window.
- The report selection page remains open on your desktop.

Review student notes (report).

Reports > Student Notes

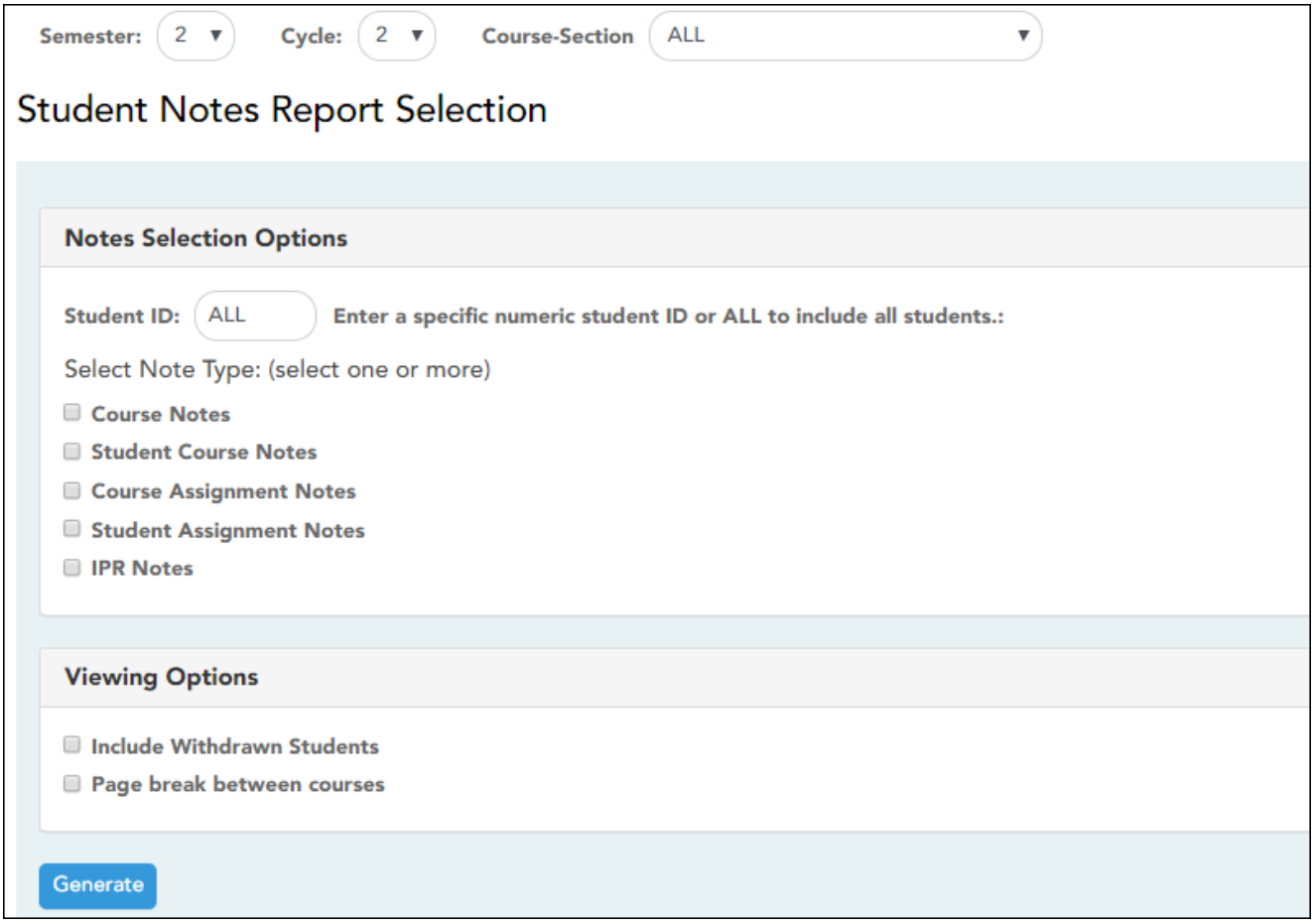
This report displays any of the following notes for one or all courses, and for one or all students.

- **Course Notes:** Notes entered in the **Course Notes** field on Settings > Manage Courses. These are comments and notes entered by teachers about their courses, such as reminders, announcements, and other course-specific information. These notes are displayed to parents in ParentPortal.
- **Student Course Notes:** Notes entered by clicking the note icon next to the student's name on Grades > Assignment Grades. These are course-specific notes entered by teachers about the student, and the notes are associated with specific categories. These notes are note displayed to parents in ParentPortal.

- **Course Assignment Notes:** Notes entered in the **Notes** field on Settings > Manage Assignments. These are notes entered by teachers about their assignments. The notes are displayed to parents in ParentPortal.

- **Student Assignment Notes:** Notes entered by clicking the note icon next to the student's assignment grade on Grades > Assignment Grades. These are assignment-specific notes entered by teachers about the student. The teacher has the option to display the note to parents in ParentPortal.

- **IPR Notes:** Notes entered in the **Note** field on Grades > IPR Comments. These are student-specific notes entered by the teacher about the student relative to the IPR. These notes are printed on the IPR that is distributed to parents.



❑ Specify report options:

Semester	The current semester is displayed. You can select a different semester. The selected semester affects the courses listed in the **Course-Section** drop-down list, but it does not affect the notes displayed; the notes are not semester-specific. For example, for a two-semester course, the notes are displayed for the entire year.

Cycle	The current cycle is displayed. You can select a different cycle.
Course-Section	Select the course-section for which to print the report. Or, select *ALL* to produce the report for all of your course-sections. The drop down lists the two-digit period and course name. The course number and section number are in parentheses.

❑ Under **Notes Selection Options:**

Student ID	Begin typing the student's ID. As you begin typing the ID, a drop-down list displays students whose student ID matches the numbers you have typed. From the drop-down list, select a student.
Select Note Type	Select one or more note types to be printed. The descriptions for each note type are listed above. If you select **Student Course Notes**, the following fields appear: **Note Category** — Select the category of notes you want to view. Or, select *ALL* to include all categories. **Notes Created By** — Select a user name to see only notes entered by that user. Or, select *ALL* to include notes from all users. **Sort Order** — Indicate if you want these notes sorted by note category or user name on the report.

❑ Under **Viewing Options**:

Include withdrawn students	Withdrawn students are not automatically included. Select the field to include withdrawn students in the report.
Page break between courses	Select to print one course per page. Otherwise, the data will print continuously.

❑ Click **Generate**.

- The report opens in a new window, and you can print the report from that window.
- The report selection page remains open on your desktop.

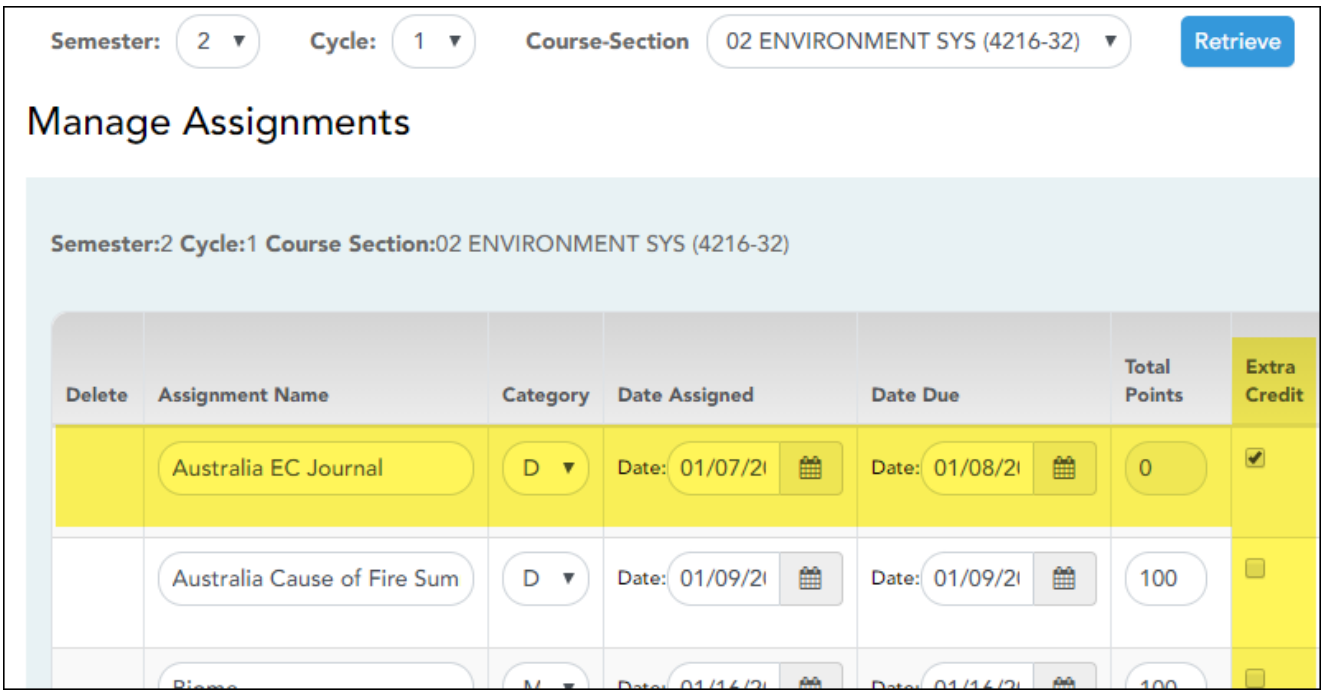
Award extra credit.

There are several ways to award extra credit:

- Create an extra credit assignment on Settings > Manage Assignments
- Add extra points to an assignment grade on Grades > Assignment Grades
- Add extra points to the cycle average on Grades > Cycle & Semester Grades

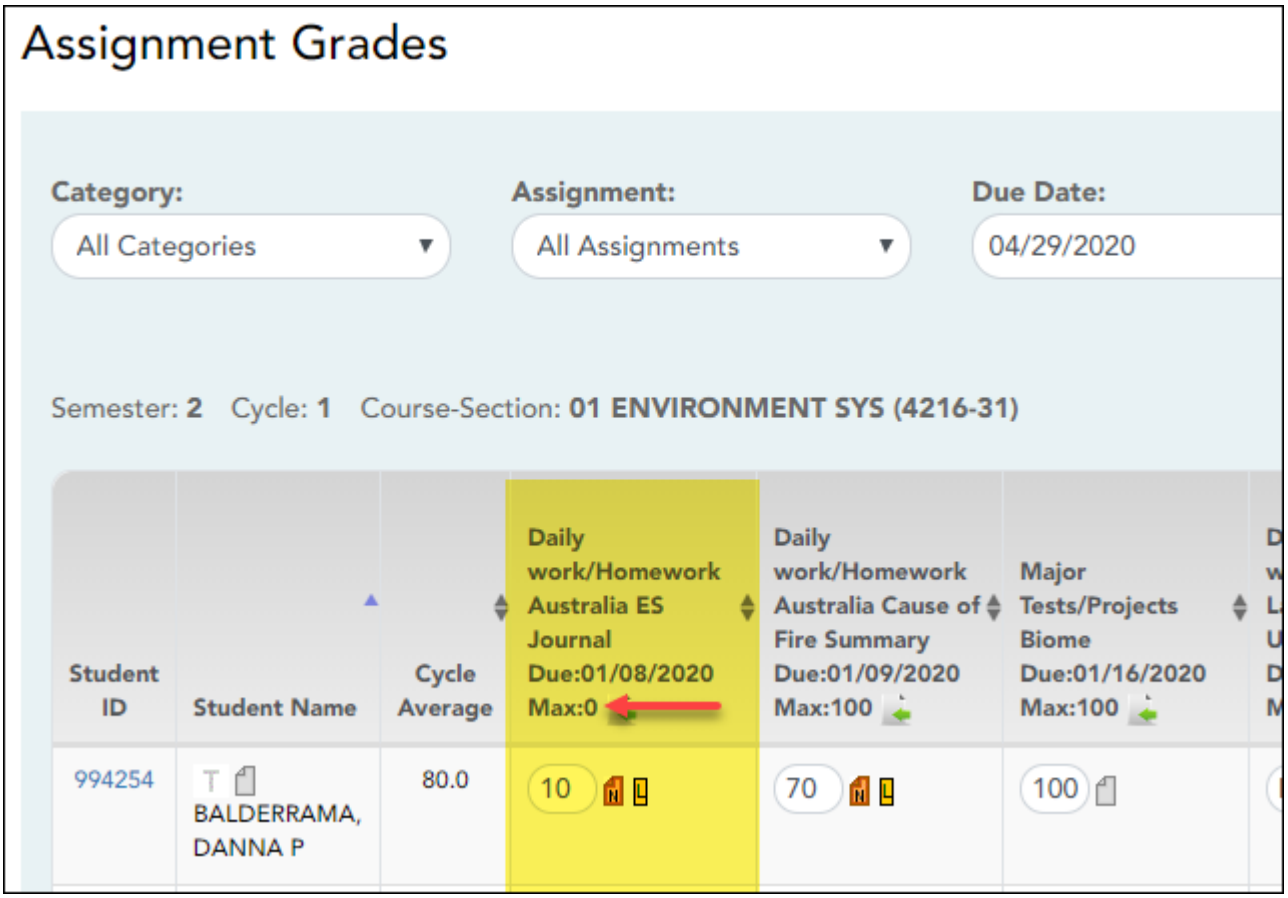
Create extra credit assignment:

Settings > Manage Assignments



Extra Credit	Select if the assignment is for extra credit. **NOTE:** If the assignment is for extra credit, the **Total Points** is set to zero and cannot be changed. Extra credit assignments add points to the average for the category selected. If a student has no grade or a zero for the extra credit assignment, it does not count against him when his average is calculated. See the Extra Credit section of the Calculate Averages guide for an explanation of calculating averages with extra credit for each weighting type. This field is not available for standards-based courses or assignments that have a rubric chart assigned.

For extra credit assignments, the **Max** on Grades > Assignment Grades is 0.



Calculations for extra credit assignment:

IMPORTANT: See Calculate Averages for additional information.

Percent-based weighting:

If the student has extra credit points, include the extra credit (EC) points in the Total Points Earned.

(Points Earned 1 + Points Earned 2 + Points Earned 3 + EC) = Total Points Earned

For example:

The Homework category has three assignments. The student earned a 70/100, 80/100, and 90/95 for those assignments. He also has 10 points for the extra credit assignment.

(70 + 80 + 90 + 10) = 250

In this case, the Total Possible Points for the Homework category is 295.

250 / 295 = .847

The student's average for the Homework Category is 85.

Points-based weighting:

If the student has an extra credit assignment, add the points for the extra credit (EC) assignment to the Category Points:

Category Points + EC = new Category Points

For example:

The Homework category has three assignments, each worth 50 points. The student earned a 40, 45, and 50 for those assignments.

40 + 45 + 50 = 135

The student’s Homework Category Points is 135. The student was awarded 5 points for a homework extra credit assignment.

135 + 5 = 140

In this case, the Total Possible Points for the Homework category is 150.

140 / 150 = .933
The student's average for the Homework Category is 93.

Multiplier-based weighting:

If the student has an extra credit assignment, add the points for the extra credit (EC) assignment to the Actual Category Points:

Actual Category Points + EC = new Actual Category Points

For example:

The student’s Homework Actual Category Points is 240. The student was awarded 5 points for a homework extra credit assignment.

240 + 5 = 245

In this case, the multiplier for the Homework category is 2.

245 x 2 = 490

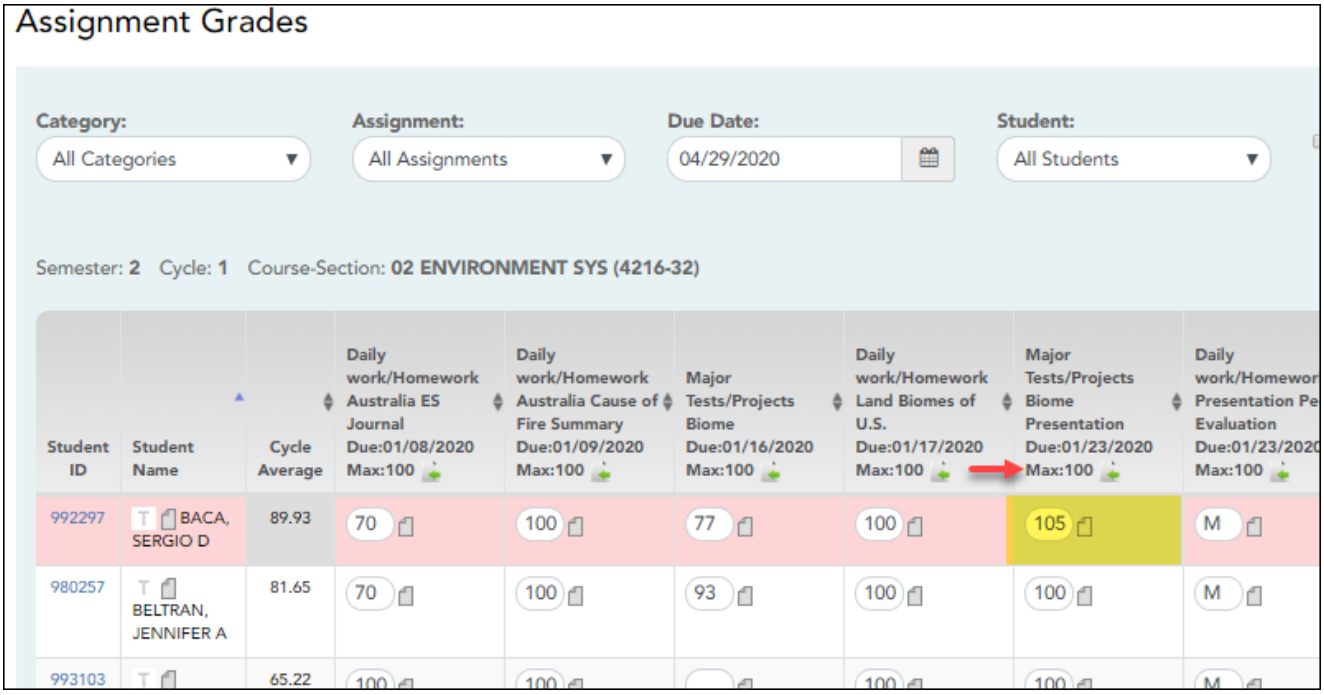
The Homework category has three assignments, each worth 100 points.
100 + 100 + 100 = 300
300 x 2 = 600

490 / 600 = .816
The student's average for the Homework category is 82.

ANOTHER OPTION: If you want to give an extra credit assignment that will be included in the cycle average for the students who do the assignment (but not for those who do not do it), create a regular assignment (not extra credit), and then exclude the grade for all students who do not complete the assignment.

Add extra points to an assignment:

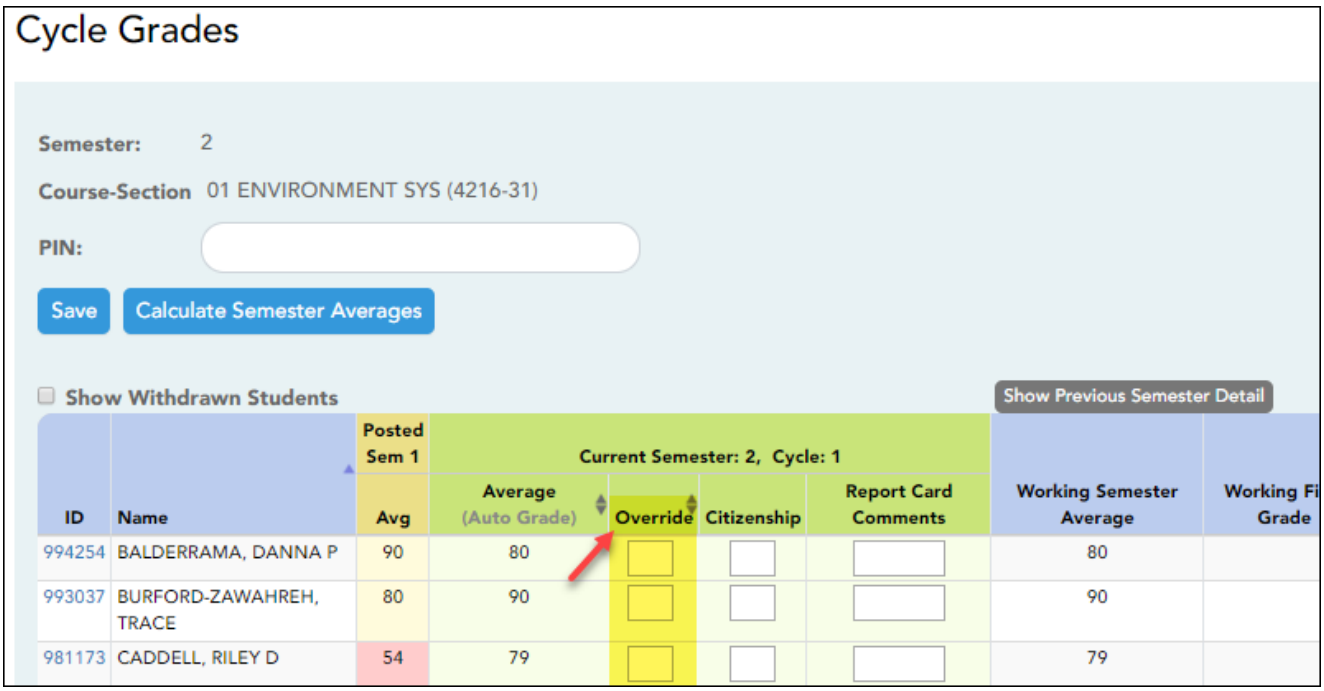
Grades > Assignment Grades



If you enter an assignment with the **Total Points** field set to 100, you can enter a grade that is greater than 100. In this case, it is not necessary to enter an extra credit assignment.

Add extra points to cycle average:

Grades > Cycle



Override	This field allows you to override a student's working semester average with a different grade (e.g., if the student's working cycle average is 69, you may give the student a cycle grade of 70, depending on district policy). If you enter an **Override** grade, click **Calculate Semester Averages** to see the impact of the change on the semester average before saving.

Generate seating chart report.

Reports > Seating Charts

This report prints a teacher's seating charts for all periods or one period. For each period, the seating chart is displayed followed by a list of students who are not assigned to seats. The seating chart lists the student name, gender, and ID.

If printed for all periods, each period prints on a separate page.

NOTE: If that field has been changed, and the seating charts have not been re-saved on Settings > Manage Charts since the setting was changed, a warning message is displayed when the report is generated indicating that the reports will not be accurate until the

Manage Seating Charts page has been re-saved. You must review the seating chart for each period on the Manage Seating Charts page, make any necessary changes, and then re-save each chart.

❑ Specify report options:

Semester	The current semester is displayed. You can select a different semester.
Period	Select the period-course(s) to print the seating chart for, or select *ALL CLASSES* to print seating charts for all periods. If **Combine Courses in Attendance** is selected on your Settings > Update Profile page, the courses are combined by period.
width	Select the width setting for the report. **Fixed Seat Width**: Select to print a report in which all seats are the same width. This setting works for small and average-size classes. For larger classes, some seats may not print on the page. **Auto-Adjusted Seat Width**: Select to print a report in which each column is adjusted to the student name. Each column is only wide enough to accommodate the longest name in the column; therefore, some columns are wider than others. This setting is a better option for larger classes. For either width setting, you can adjust the orientation when you print. Select **Landscape** to increase the number of students that fit on the page.
Show Pictures	Select to display student photos in the seating chart. Photos are only available if they have been added by the district.

❑ Click **Generate**.

- The report opens in a new window, and you can print the report from that window.
- The report selection page remains open on your desktop.

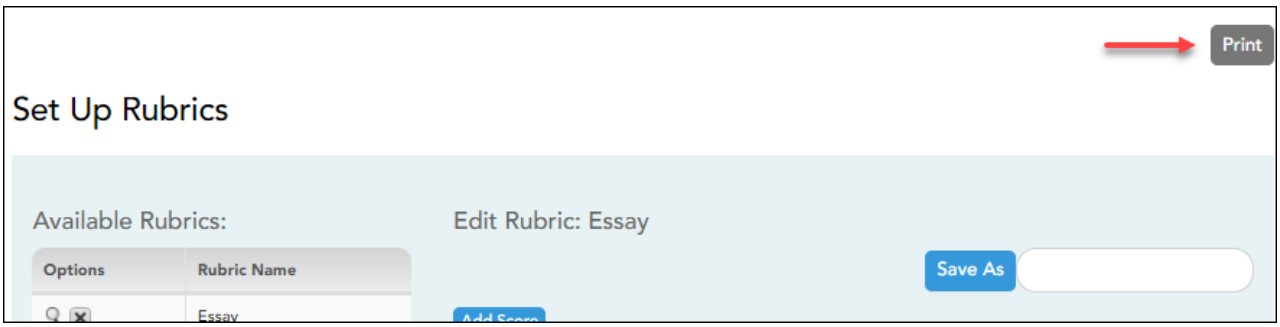
Generate rubric report (if enabled for campus).

There are two ways to access the rubric printing options:

- From the Manage Rubric Charts page, click **Print**.
- From the Reports menu, select **Rubrics**.

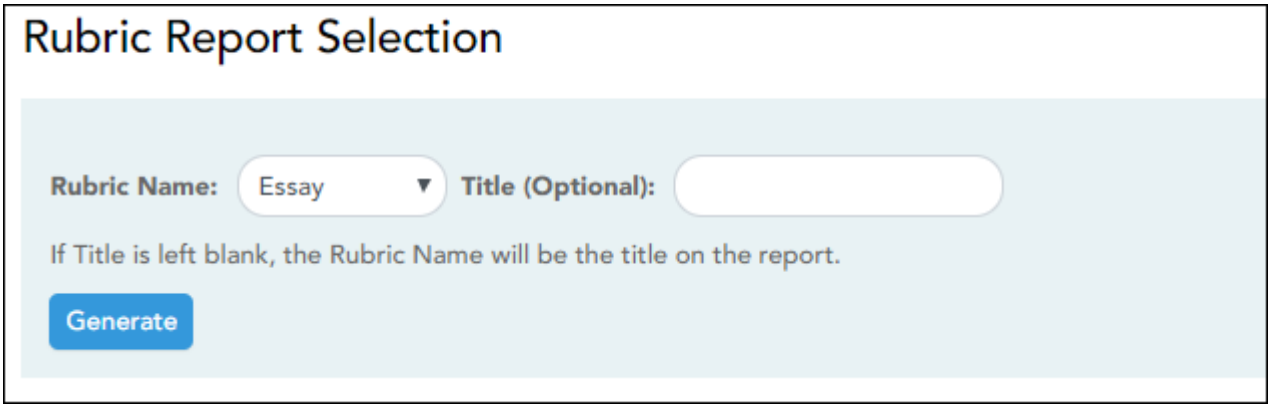
Print the rubric chart:

❑ Click **Print** to print a report of the displayed rubric chart.



The Rubric Report Selection page opens allowing you to make selections for printing the report.

This report prints a rubric chart which has been set up on Settings > Manage Rubric Charts. You can print only the rubric chart (i.e., blank), or you can print the rubric chart with student grades for a particular assignment.



❑ Specify report options:

Rubric Name	Select the rubric chart you want to print. Only rubric charts that have skills and scores already set up are listed.
Title	(Optional) Type a title for the report, up to 50 characters. If blank, the rubric chart name is used as the title.

Print with grades	Select to print the report with student grades. This field is only displayed if the selected rubric chart has already been used to grade an assignment. If selected, an additional field is displayed allowing you to select a course-section. Only course-sections that have a rubric chart set up are listed.
course-section	Once you select a course-section, another field is displayed allowing you to select the assignment that was graded with a rubric chart.
assignment	Once you select an assignment, a list of students in the course-section is displayed, along with their grade for the assignment.
This Student	Select for the students you want to print the rubric for. You can select **Check all** at the top of the column to select all students in the course-section.

❑ Click **Generate**.

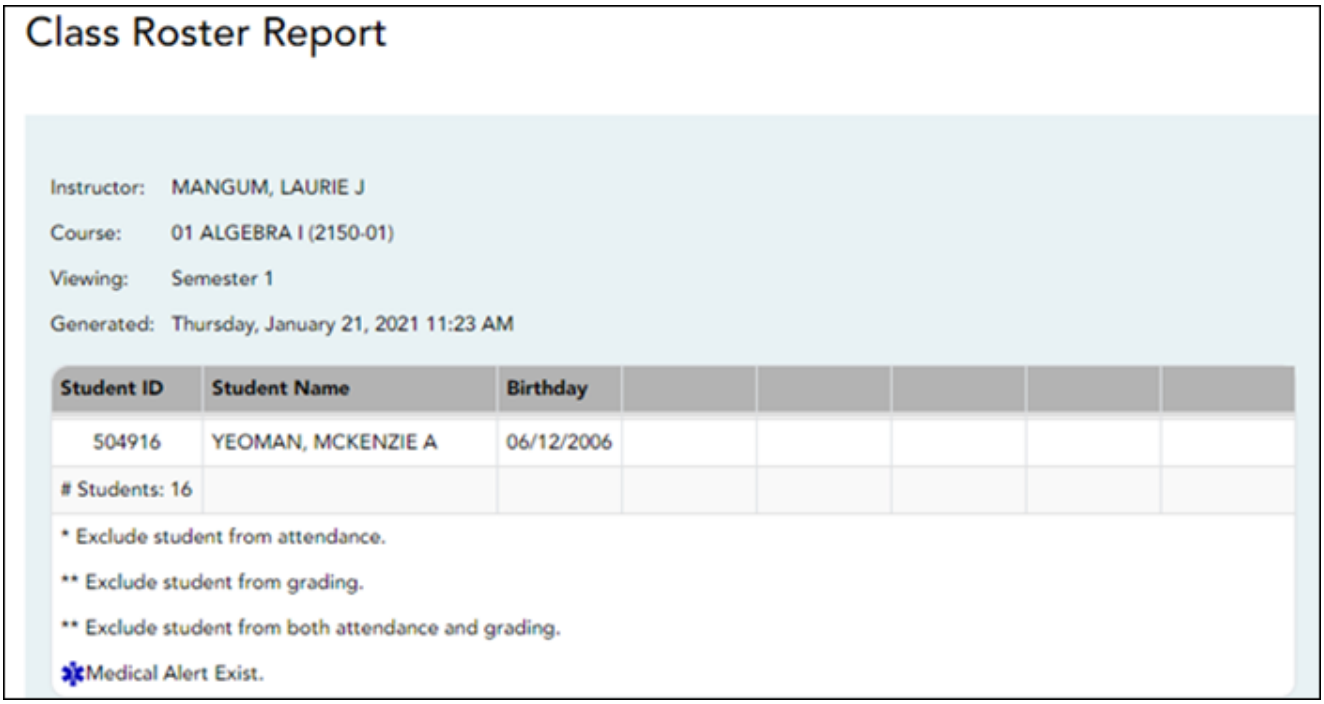
- The report opens in a new window, and you can print the report from that window.
- The report selection page remains open on your desktop.

Generate class roster report.

Reports > Class Roster

This report provides a blank class roster by semester and course, including a list of students enrolled in the course and up to 50 blank columns. You can choose the sort order and whether to include the student's birth date and contact information. The report can be exported in CSV format.

If you print the report for a course group, the **Course Section** column is included allowing you to identify the course-section in which the student is enrolled.


Class Roster Report

Instructor: MANGUM, LAURIE J
Course: 01 ALGEBRA I (2150-01)
Viewing: Semester 1
Generated: Thursday, January 21, 2021 11:23 AM

Student ID	Student Name	Birthday
504916	YEOMAN, MCKENZIE A	06/12/2006
# Students: 16		

* Exclude student from attendance.
** Exclude student from grading.
** Exclude student from both attendance and grading.
Medical Alert Exist.

❑ Specify report options:

Semester	The current semester is displayed. You can select a different semester.	
Course-Section	Select the course-section and period for which to print the report. The drop down lists the two-digit period and course name. The course number and section number are in parentheses. If course groups have been created on the Course Grouping page, the groups are listed as well as the individual courses.	
Columns	Type the number of blank columns to display on the report, up to 50.	
Display Options	**Birthday**	Select to include the student's birth date. The **Birthday** column will be included in the report.
	Student Email	Select to include the student's email address.
	Contact Information	Select to include the student's contact information. The **Contact Information** columns will be included in the report, and all of the student's contacts are listed. The contact's name, relationship, cell phone, home phone, business phone, other phone, mailing address, and e-mail address are listed.
	Guardian Last Viewed IPR/Report Card Date	Select to include the date on which a parent/guardian last viewed the student's interim progress report (IPR) or report card online.
Sorting Options	Indicate the order in which to sort the report data. You can sort by student name (last name), Student ID, course-section (for course groups), birth date (if included), or custom student order. Custom student order is the order specified for the course-section on Settings > Arrange Student Order.	

❑ Click **Generate**.

- The report opens in a new window, and you can print the report from that window.
- The report selection page remains open on your desktop.

Generate blank/missing grades report.

Reports > Blank/Missing Grades

This report lists blank, missing, and incomplete assignment grades according to options entered on this page.

❑ Specify report options:

Semester	The current semester is displayed. You can select a different semester.
Cycle	The current cycle is displayed. You can select a different cycle.
Course-Section	Select the course-section for which to print the report. The drop down lists the two-digit period and course name. The course number and section number are in parentheses.

Grade Selection Options	Select the items you want to include in the report. For example, to include all student assignment grades for which no grade has been entered, select **Show Blank Grades**. To include all items, select **Select All**.		
Viewing Options	**Page break between students**	Select to print one student per page. Otherwise, the data will print continuously.	
	View Student Names	Select to display the student names on the report. Otherwise, the names are not printed on the report, and students can only be identified by their student IDs. The student IDs are always displayed on the report.	
	View all assignments due after	Select to narrow assignments by date, and enter a valid school date.	
	View Current or All Course Sections	**Current**	Select to narrow assignments to only course-sections for the current semester-cycle.
		All	Select to show assignments for all course-sections.

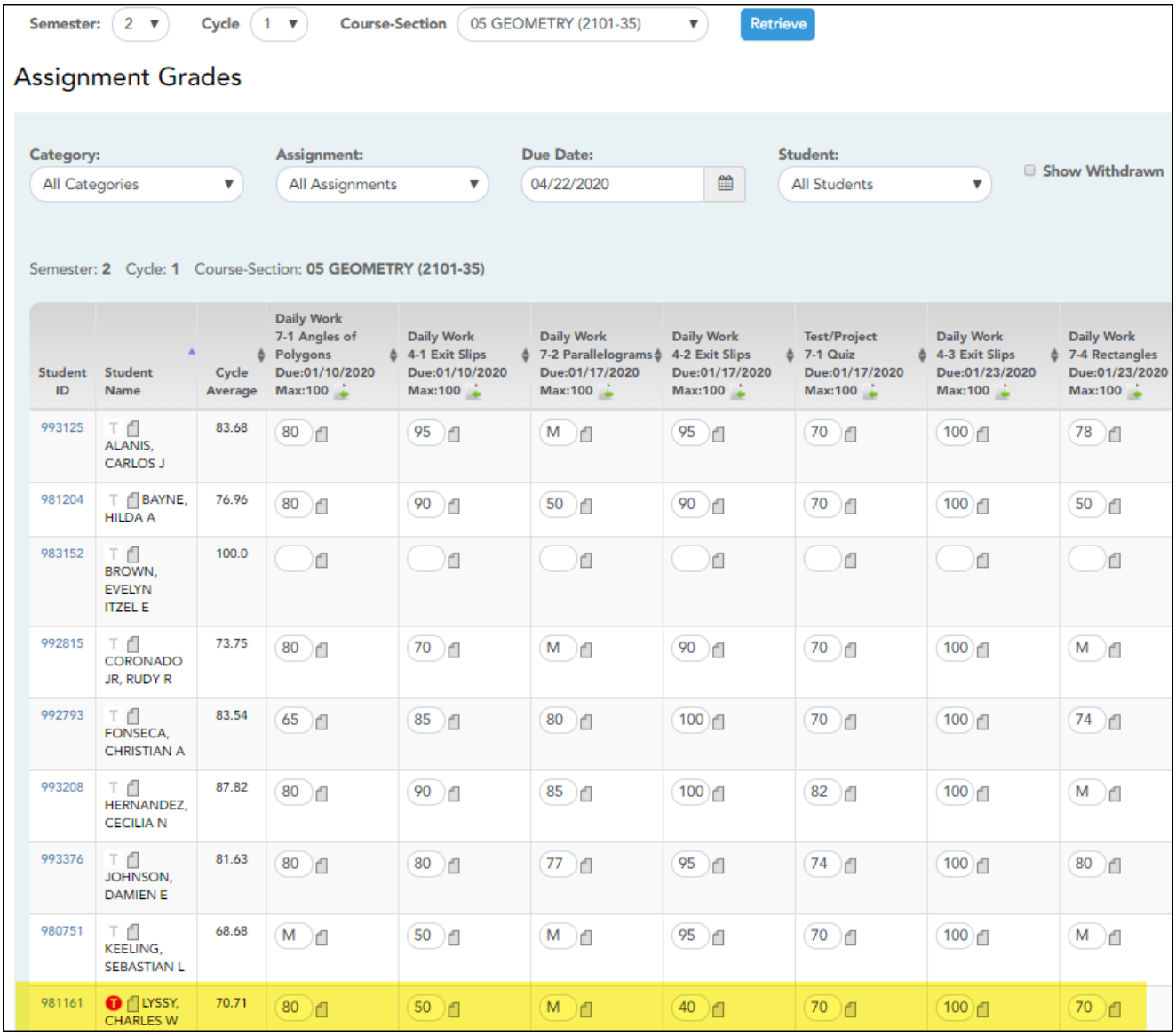
❑ Click **Generate**.

- The report opens in a new window, and you can print the report from that window.
- The report selection page remains open on your desktop.

Other tasks:

Accept transfer students.

Grades > Assignment Grades



Student ID	Student Name	Cycle Average	Daily Work 7-1 Angles of Polygons Due:01/10/2020 Max:100	Daily Work 4-1 Exit Slips Due:01/10/2020 Max:100	Daily Work 7-2 Parallelograms Due:01/17/2020 Max:100	Daily Work 4-2 Exit Slips Due:01/17/2020 Max:100	Test/Project 7-1 Quiz Due:01/17/2020 Max:100	Daily Work 4-3 Exit Slips Due:01/23/2020 Max:100	Daily Work 7-4 Rectangles Due:01/23/2020 Max:100
993125	ALANIS, CARLOS J	83.68	80	95	M	95	70	100	78
981204	BAYNE, HILDA A	76.96	80	90	50	90	70	100	50
983152	BROWN, EVELYN ITZEL E	100.0							
992815	CORONADO JR, RUDY R	73.75	80	70	M	90	70	100	M
992793	FONSECA, CHRISTIAN A	83.54	65	85	80	100	70	100	74
993208	HERNANDEZ, CECILIA N	87.82	80	90	85	100	82	100	M
993376	JOHNSON, DAMIEN E	81.63	80	80	77	95	74	100	80
980751	KEELING, SEBASTIAN L	68.68	M	50	M	95	70	100	M
981161	LYSSY, CHARLES W	70.71	80	50	M	40	70	100	70

Beside each student's name is the transfer icon T (i.e., a gray T) indicating that he is not a transfer student. If a student transfers into the class, the red transfer icon T is displayed next to his name.

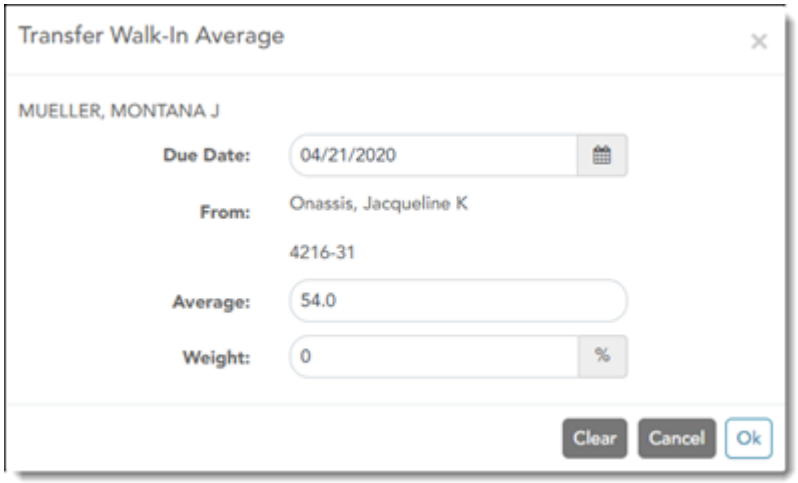
NOTE: The student will only have a red T T if he is transferring from one section to another section within the same course. Otherwise the T will remain gray.

If a student transfers into the course, you must accept the student into the course and enter his

walk-in transfer average and weight. The campus, student ID, semester, and cycle must all be the same for the average to transfer.

❑ To accept the transfer student into the course-section, click T .

The Transfer Walk-In Average window opens.



Date: The student's transfer date is displayed by default. You can type over the date in the MMDDYYYY format. Or, click to select a date from the calendar.

From: The teacher name, course number, and section are displayed for the course from which the student transferred. This data is only displayed if the student transferred from a different section of the same course and has a transfer average.

Average: The student's transfer average is displayed if available. Otherwise, you can type the student's walk-in average.

This is the student's average in the class from which he transferred. You can enter a numeric grade or an alphabetical (ABCD or ESNU) grade.

NOTE: If a student transferred from a course that posts letter grades to a course that posts numeric grades, and a letter grade is entered for his transfer average, the student's working cycle average is displayed as a numeric grade.

See the Calculate Averages guide for an explanation of calculating averages for each weighting type for an explanation of calculating averages for transfer students.

Weight: The field displays 0 for a transfer student who has not yet been accepted into the class.

To accept the student into your class, type the weight you want to apply to the student's transfer average. For example, if a student transferred three weeks into a six-week cycle, you may want to enter a weight of 50%. The maximum weight you can enter is 100.

The student's transfer icon remains red until a weight is entered and saved.

Once you enter and save a weight, the student's transfer icon turns blue . The blue icon remains until the end of the semester.

❑ Click **Ok**.

If you entered and saved the transfer average data for the student, his walk-in average is calculated in his working cycle average.

NOTE: The changes are not actually saved until you type your PIN and click **Save Grades**.

Clear: Clear all data previously entered for the transfer student.

NOTE: Any course assignments that were due prior to the student's transfer date are excluded for the student, and the Exclude indicator is displayed for the assignments. You can override the exclusion if you want the transfer student to complete an assignment that was due prior to his transfer date.

To override the exclusion, click , clear the **Exclude** field. Click **OK** and save.

NOTE: For standards-base courses, accepting a transfer student is a manual process. The transfer icon is not displayed.

Calculating the average for a transfer student:

If a student transfers into the course during a cycle, the following calculations are used to determine his working cycle average:

Formula for transfer student:

	For the transfer grade, multiply the Transfer Average by the Transfer Weight: Transfer Average x Transfer Weight = Transfer Value **For example:**
1.	The student's Transfer Average is 74. The student's Transfer Weight is 55%. 74 x 55% = 40.7 The student's Transfer Value is 40.7.

2.	Calculate the average of the student's assignment grades (for the remainder of the cycle) using the steps described above under Percent-based, Point-based, or Multiplier-based. **For example:** The percent-based example above shows a Working Cycle Average of 87.
3.	Calculate the weight for the Working Cycle Average: 100% - Transfer Weight = Working Cycle Average Weight **For example:** The student's Transfer Weight is 55%. 100% - 55% = 45% The student's Working Cycle Average Weight is 45%.
4.	Calculate the Working Cycle Average Value. Working Cycle Average x Working Cycle Average Weight = Working Cycle Average Value **For example:** The student's Working Cycle Average is 87. The student's Working Cycle Average Weight is 45%. 87 x 45% = 39.15 The student's Working Cycle Average Value is 39.15.
5.	Take the sum of the Transfer Value and the Working Cycle Average Value. Transfer Value + Working Cycle Average Value = Actual Working Cycle Average **For example:** The student's Transfer Value is 40.7. The student's Working Cycle Average Value is 39.5. 40.7 + 39.5 = 80.2 The student's Actual Working Cycle Average is 80.

If a student transferred from a course that posts letter grades to a course that posts numeric grades and a letter grade is entered for his transfer average, the grade conversion table is used to determine the numeric value.

Enter discipline referrals.

Discipline > Discipline Referrals

This page allows you to view and enter discipline referrals. The referrals are submitted to an administrator for review and further action. The page is only available if the campus allows teachers to enter referrals in TeacherPortal; otherwise, the Discipline menu is not displayed.

NOTE:

You can only view your own referrals. If you are logged on to TeacherPortal as an administrator, you cannot see a teacher's entered referrals on this page; however, you can view your own referrals.

Inquiry-only users cannot submit referrals.

Your existing referrals for the school year are listed, as well as the following statistical data:

Draft	The number of referrals you have created but not submitted is displayed.
Pending	The number of referrals you have submitted that are awaiting review and further action from an administrator is displayed.
Reviewed	The number of submitted referrals that have been reviewed by an administrator, for which the administrator is taking no further action, is displayed.
Completed	The number of submitted referrals that have been reviewed by an administrator, and for which further action was taken, is displayed.

Up to five referrals are displayed at a time. If more referrals exist, you can page through the list to see the others.

❑ To retrieve a referral for a specific student and/or a specific status, do one or more of the following, or leave all fields blank to retrieve all referrals sorted by status:

Student ID	Begin typing the student's ID. As you begin typing the ID, a drop-down list displays students whose student ID matches the numbers you have typed. From the drop-down list, select a student.
Student Name	Begin typing the student's name in one of the following formats: • Last name, comma, first name • Last name initial, comma, first name initial As you begin typing the name, a drop-down list displays students whose names match the letters you have typed. From the drop-down list, select the student.
Status	Select a status to view only referrals for the selected student with that status. Or, select ALL to see all referrals for the selected student.

❑ Click **Search**.

The referrals grid is redisplayed according to the criteria specified.

	Click to view or edit the details of a referral. The **Record Details** section is displayed.
	Click to print the discipline referral. The report opens in a new window, and you can print the report from that window.
	Click to delete the referral. You are prompted to confirm that you want to delete the referral. Click **OK**.

Only *Draft* and *Pending* referrals can be updated or deleted. The *Reviewed* and *Completed* referrals can only be viewed and printed.

Enter or update a referral:

❑ Click **Add Referral**.
❑ Or, click to edit an existing referral.

The **Record Details** section is displayed.

❑ Under **Record Details**, retrieve the student(s) involved in the incident:

Student ID	Begin typing the student's ID. As you begin typing the ID, a drop-down list displays students whose student ID matches the numbers you have typed. From the drop-down list, select a student.
Student Name	Begin typing the student's name in one of the following formats: • Last name, comma, first name • Last name initial, comma, first name initial As you begin typing the name, a drop-down list displays students whose names match the letters you have typed. From the drop-down list, select the student.

Add Another Student	If more than one student was involved, click **Add Another Student** to retrieve the next student. A blank row is displayed allowing you to retrieve the student.

❑ To remove a student from the list, click .

❑ To see a student's schedule, click **Schedule** next to the student's name.

The Schedule window opens and displays the student's schedule, including the course-section, period, course title, teacher name, withdrawn indicator, room number, and days the class meets.

Severity	Indicate the severity of the offense. For example, select High if the nature of the offense is very severe.
Offense Description	(Required) Select the offense code describing the offense. **NOTE:** Only offense codes allowed by the district are listed.
Referrer Comments	Type comments related to the offense, up to 2000 characters including spaces. A character counter below the text box allows you to see the number of remaining characters available. These comments will be read by the administrator who reviews the discipline referral. See Notes on Special Characters and Copy/Paste From Other Documents.
Incident Date	The current date is displayed by default. Type another date in the MMDDYYYY format, or click to select a date from the calendar.
Incident Time	The current (i.e., system) time is displayed by default. You can type another time in the *HH:MM:SSA* format, where *HH* is the hour, *MM* is the minutes, *SS* is the seconds, and *A* is a.m. or p.m.
Sent to Office	Select if the student(s) were sent to the office because of the incident.
Teacher's Course Section	Select a course-section if the incident occurred during class.
Incident Location	(Required) Select the location in which the incident occurred.

Save data:

PIN	Type your four-digit personal identification number (PIN).

❑ Click **Save Draft** to save a draft of the referral, which allows you to finish and submit the referral at a later time.

❑ Or, click **Submit Referral** if the referral is complete, and you are ready to submit the referral to an administrator for further action.

The referral will appear in the administrator's discipline referral list with a status of *Pending*.

	The button is only displayed for a saved referral. Click to print the discipline referral. The report opens in a new window, and you can print the report from that window.
Add Another Student	Click to add an additional row in the **Record Details** section.

Other Reports:

Generate special programs report.

Reports > Special Programs

This report is only available to users who log on to TeacherPortal with a district- or campus-level security administrator user ID, or to teachers who have access to run the special programs report.

This report lists of the special programs for each student in the class.

Only the special programs selected by the campus are included. If enabled, the **Generic** column appears in the report and displays program information.

❑ Specify report options:

Semester	The current semester is displayed. You can select a different semester.	
Course-Section	Select the course-section for which to print the report. The drop down lists the two-digit period and course name. The course number and section number are in parentheses.	
As Of Date	Type a date in the MMDDYYYY format. Or, or click to select a date from the calendar.	
Viewing Options	**View Student Names**	Select to display the student names on the report. Otherwise, the names are not printed on the report, and students can only be identified by their student IDs. The student IDs are always displayed on the report.
	View Current or All Course Section(s)	Select one: **Current** — Select to narrow student data to only course-sections for the current semester-cycle. **All** — Select to print student data for all course-sections.
	These options are disabled if you are logged on as an administrative user and select **Across Campus** under **Admin Options**.	

Admin Options — These fields are only displayed if you are logged on as an administrative user:

Across Campus — Select to view data for all courses across the campus. Otherwise, data is only displayed for the selected course-section or for the impersonated teacher's courses.
If you are impersonating a teacher for whom no courses are defined, the message "No courses defined" is displayed at the bottom of the page, and the fields are disabled. However, once you select **Across Campus**, the message is removed because it may not apply to all teachers at the campus, and the fields are enabled.

View Without Course/Section & Instructor in Grid Format — This field is enabled when **Across Campus** is selected.

If selected:

If **View Without Course/Section & Instructor in Grid Format** is selected, the report data is displayed in a grid format, and the course-section and teacher are not displayed. The default sort is by student name; however, the grid can be re-sorted.

Sample:

Student ID	Student Name	Grade	Special Program

If not selected:

If **View Without Course/Section & Instructor in Grid Format** is not selected, the report is grouped by course-section. The report is similar to the report for non-administrative users; however, the teacher is listed for each course-section. For non-administrative users, the teacher is listed once at the top of the report.

Sample:

Course Nbr-Sec
Teacher Name

Student ID	Student Name	Grade	Special Program

Course Nbr-Sec
Teacher Name

Student ID	Student Name	Grade	Special Program

❑ Click **Generate**.

- The report opens in a new window, and you can print the report from that window.
- The report selection page remains open on your desktop.

Generate student group reports.

Settings > Manage Student Groups

Group Manager (left grid)	Your existing groups are listed. Otherwise, the message “No Student Groups were found” is displayed.
Group Reports (right grid)	The available student group reports are listed; they are linked to the reports in the Reports > Student Group Reports submenu. Some of the group reports mirror other reports available in the Reports menu. If no groups exist, the message “No Student Groups Exist” is displayed in place of any reports.
Group Reports (left grid)	Click a report title to run the report for a student group: • The group Admin Student Grades page allows you to run the Admin Student Grades report for a student group. • The Attendance Summary report generates a summary report of student attendance for a specified student group. • The Student Grades Report (and UIL Eligibility) Report lists student working cycle averages for all of their courses, which allows you to determine UIL eligibility and locate students who may be at risk of losing eligibility. Courses in which the student has failing grades are shaded pink.

Teacher Guide to ASCENDER TeacherPortal

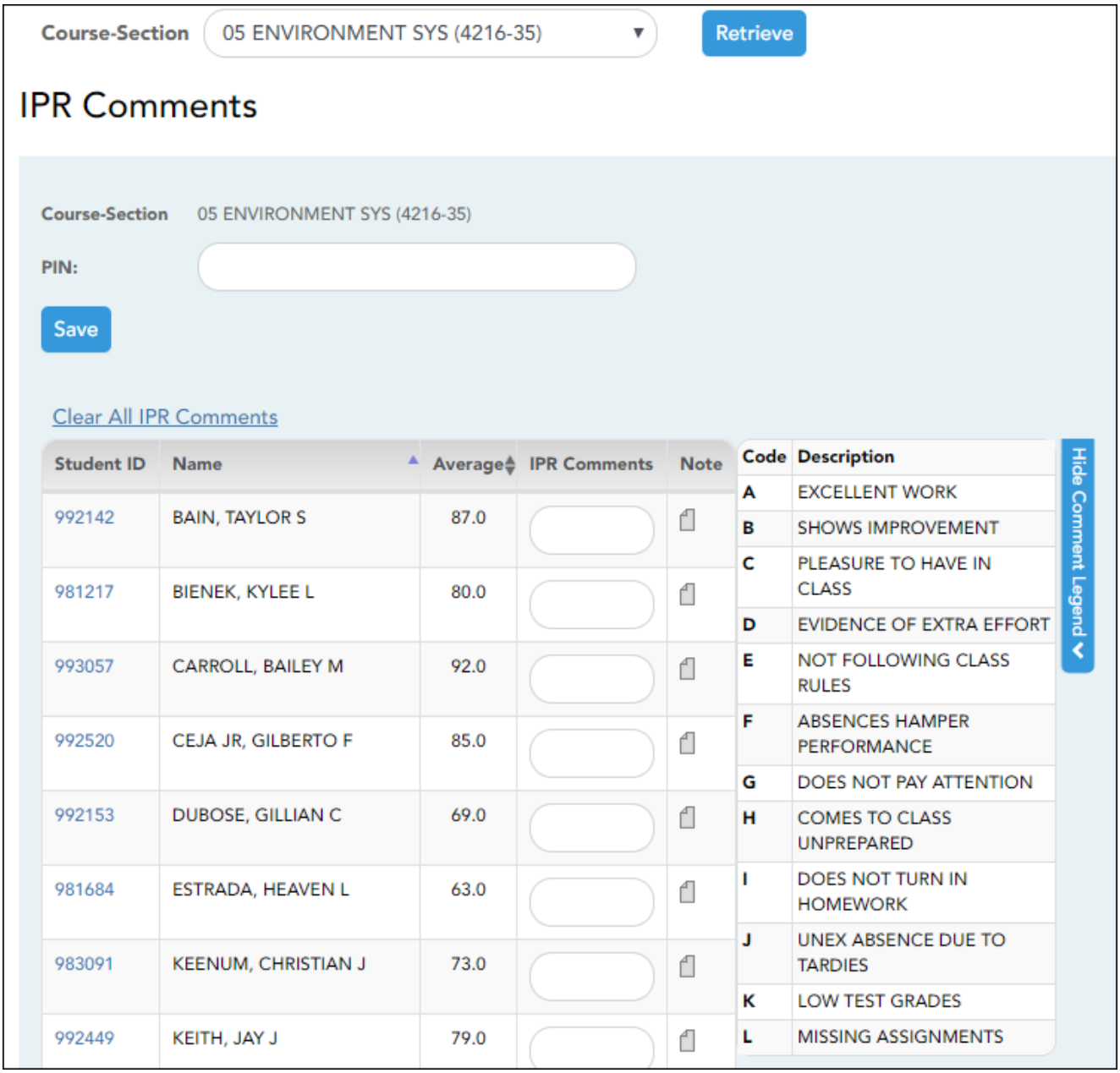
Mid-Cycle Tasks

Enter IPR comments.

Grades > IPR Comments

This page allows you to enter IPR comments and notes that will be displayed on the printed IPRs.

- IPR comments are codes for preset descriptions that apply to all course-sections for the student.
- IPR notes are free-text notes that apply only to the student for the selected course-section.
- IPR comments also appear on any IPRs generated by the campus.



❑ Select the course:

Course-Section	Select the course-section or group to enter IPR comments and notes for.

❑ Click **Retrieve**.

The students in the course-section or group are displayed.

Students are sorted by last name, unless you have specified a custom sort order on Settings > Arrange Student Order.

The columns can be re-sorted.

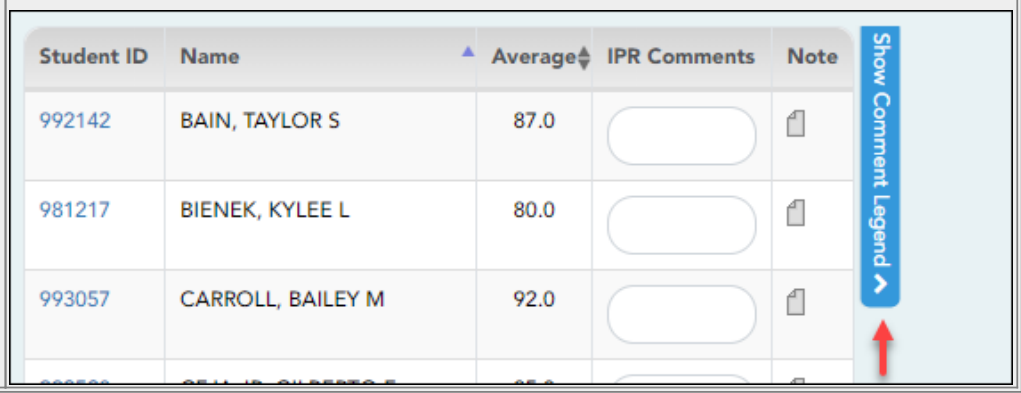
The columns can be sorted according to your preferences.

- An up arrow indicates the column and order by which the table is currently sorted.
- If a column can be sorted, a sort box is displayed in the column heading.
- To resort the list by another column heading, click in the column heading. The column is sorted in ascending order, as indicated by in the column heading.
- To sort the column in descending order, click again. The sort arrow changes direction .

If you sort by the last name column, the table sorts by last name, then first name. If you sort by the first name column, the table sorts by first name, then last name.

NOTE: Sorting the columns overrides the custom sort order established on the Arrange Student Order page. However, if you leave this page and return, the students are displayed in your custom sort order. (This does not apply on the Post/View Attendance page.)

Student ID	The student's ID is displayed. Click the student ID to view the student's profile.
Average	The student's working cycle average is displayed. For more information on calculating averages, view the online Help for **Weighting Type** on Settings > Manage Categories.
IPR Comments	Type up to five one-character comment codes to specify the comments you want to print on the IPR (e.g., “Conference requested”).
Show/Hide Comment Legend	(located below the grid) Click to view a list of valid IPR comment codes and descriptions. These codes are created in the Student system. **NOTE:** If a description exists in Spanish, the Spanish description is displayed below the English description. If the student's report card is generated in Spanish, and a Spanish comment exists, the Spanish comment is printed on the report card. If a Spanish comment does not exist, the English comment is printed on the report card. These codes and descriptions are maintained at the campus level.



Note	Click to enter notes about the student that will appear on the printed IPR. Click **Ok** to save the note, or click **Clear** to clear the note. If a note is entered for the student, the yellow note icon is displayed. **NOTE:** Your comments and notes are not actually saved until you type your PIN and click **Save**. When you click **Ok**, it only saves your notes until you save all data on the page.

Clear All IPR Comments	Click to clear all comments for all displayed students. Notes are not cleared. **NOTE:** Your comments are not actually cleared until you enter your PIN and click **Save**.

Save data:

PIN	Type your four-digit personal identification number (PIN).

❑ Click **Save**.

If your changes were saved successfully, the page reloads, and a message is displayed indicating that the grades were saved successfully.

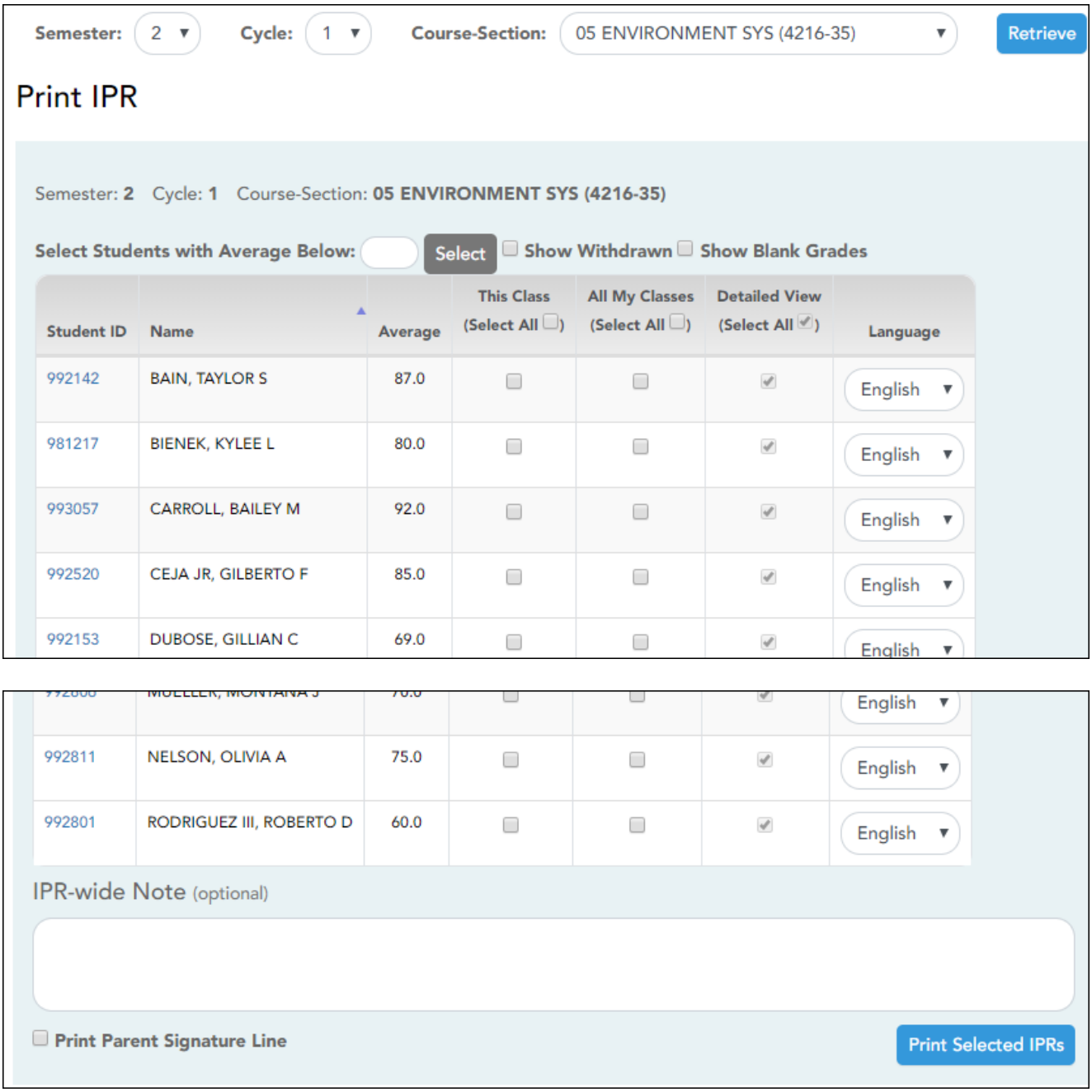
To print IPRs for the selected students, go to Grades > Print IPR. Follow the instructions provided in the online Help for the page.

Print IPRs.

Grades > Print IPR

This page allows you to select the students to print IPRs for. The IPR is generated for a specific point in time during the current semester-cycle to provide a report of a student's grades up to that point. You can run IPRs any time throughout the semester, including occasions when you are meeting with a student's parents and want to show them a detailed report of the student's grades. You can also print IPRs for previous semesters-cycles.

For each student, you can select the semester and cycle, the courses you want to print IPRs for, and the level of detail you want to include on the report.



❑ Select the course-section you want to print IPRs for:

Semester	The current semester is displayed by default. You can select another semester.
Cycle	The current cycle is displayed by default. You can select another cycle.
Course-Section	Select the course-section you want to print IPRs for. If the course is marked as ready to post on Grades > Cycle Grades, the message "[READY]" is displayed next to the course. **NOTE:** IPRs cannot be produced for elementary skills-based courses.

❑ Click **Retrieve**.

The grid displays all students currently enrolled in the course-section. Students are sorted by last name, unless you have specified a custom sort order on Settings > Arrange Student Order.

The columns can be re-sorted.

The columns can be sorted according to your preferences.

- An up arrow indicates the column and order by which the table is currently sorted.
- If a column can be sorted, a sort box is displayed in the column heading.
- To resort the list by another column heading, click in the column heading. The column is sorted in ascending order, as indicated by in the column heading.
- To sort the column in descending order, click again. The sort arrow changes direction .

If you sort by the last name column, the table sorts by last name, then first name. If you sort by the first name column, the table sorts by first name, then last name.

NOTE: Sorting the columns overrides the custom sort order established on the Arrange Student Order page. However, if you leave this page and return, the students are displayed in your custom sort order. (This does not apply on the Post/View Attendance page.)

Show Withdrawn	Withdrawn students are displayed in a blue row, and the message “Withdrawn” and the withdrawal date are displayed by the student's name. The withdrawal date may be the student's withdrawal date from school or his withdrawal date from the class.
Show Blank Grades	Select to include all assignments on the IPR, including assignments with blank grades. This does not apply for courses that use standards-based grading.

Student ID	The student's ID is displayed. Click the student ID to view the student's profile.
Average	The student's working cycle average is displayed. For more information on calculating averages, view the online Help for **Weighting Type** on Settings > Manage Categories.

❑ Select the students and level of detail:

Select Students with Average Below	To print IPRs only for students with an average below a specific average for the course-section, type the average in this field and click **Select**. The students are selected for printing.	
This Class	Select to print an IPR for the student for only the selected course-section. If selected, **Default View** is selected and cannot be changed.	
	Select All	Select to apply this option for all students in the selected course-section. If selected, you cannot select **All My Classes** for the students.

All My Classes	Select to print IPRs for the student for all classes you teach in which the student is enrolled. If selected, the default view for the IPR is the summary view. **Select All** — Select to apply this option to all students in the selected course-section. If selected for any students, you cannot select **This Class** for the students.
Detailed View	Select to print the detailed IPR. If not selected, the summary IPR is printed. The summary IPR only includes the course name, period, current average, and comments. The detail IPR includes assignments and assignment grades, assignment due dates, posted and calculated average, previously posted cycle averages, comments, grading type, and more. **Select All** — Select to print the detail IPR for all students in the selected course-section.
Language	For each student, select the language in which to print the IPR. If you select a language other than *English*, the IPR headings and fields are converted to the selected language; however, the student and course comments are only printed in the selected language if they have been entered in that language in the Student system. User-defined fields are not converted.

IPR-wide Note	(Optional) Type a note to be displayed on all IPRs selected for printing. This note will be appended to any notes entered in the **Note** field on the IPR Comments page. (Notes entered on the IPR Comments page are student-specific.)
Print Parent Signature Line	Select to print a parent signature line at the bottom of the IPR.

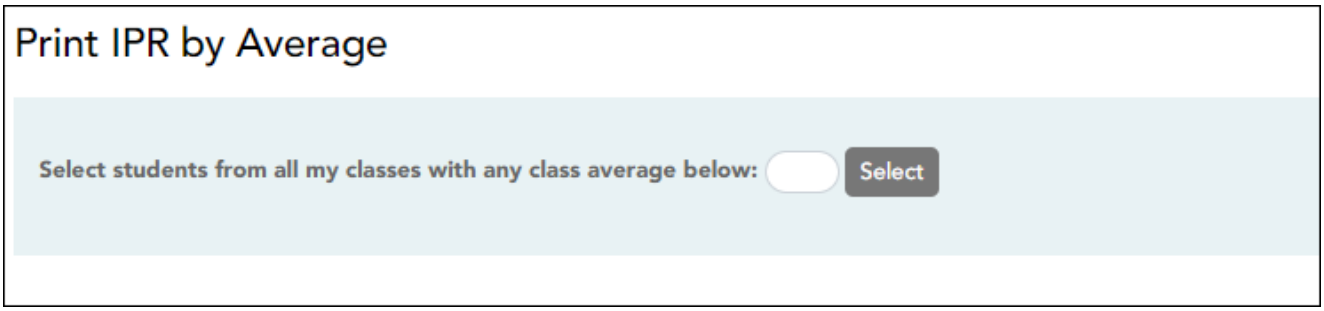
❑ Click **Print Selected IPRs**.

The Interim Progress Reports page opens. Click **Return to IPR Selection** to return to this page.

Print IPRs for students whose average is below specified number.

Grades > Print IPR by Average

This page allows you to print IPRs for students in all of your courses who have a working cycle average below a specified average.

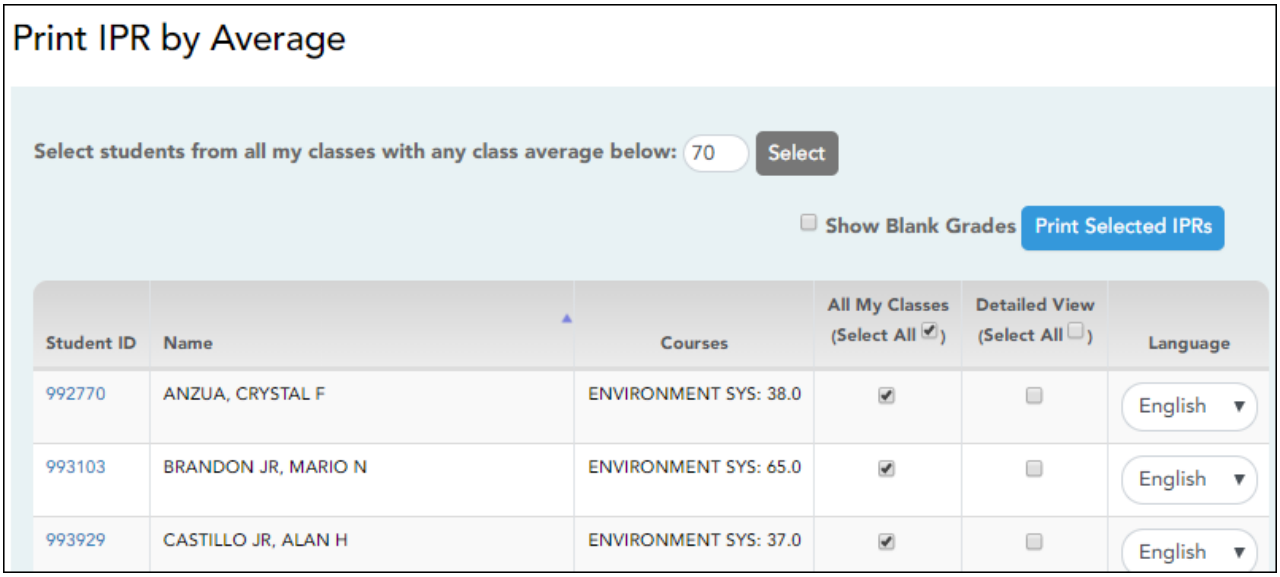


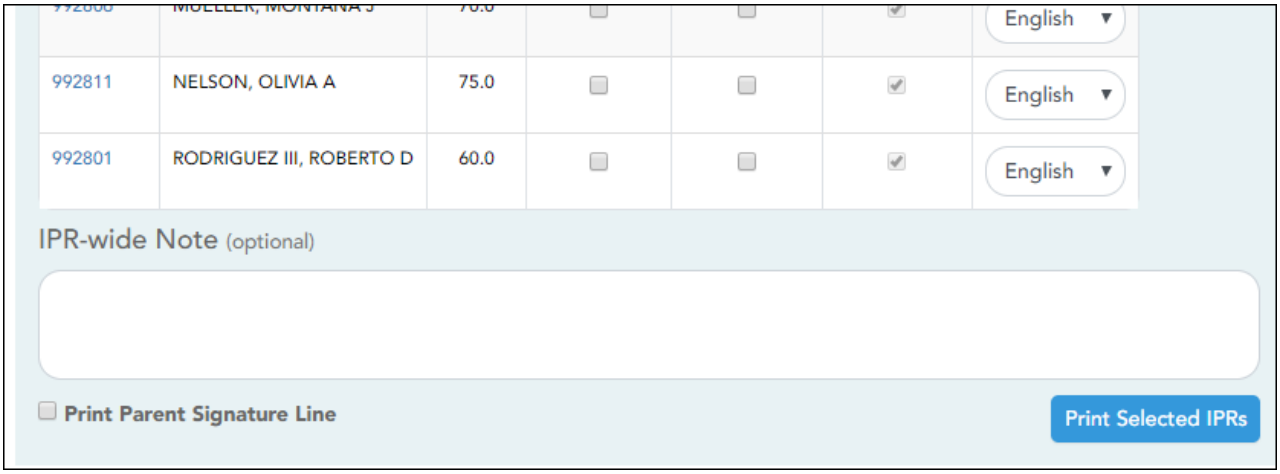
❑ Select students:

Select students from all my classes with any class average below:	Type the average. All of your students with a working cycle average below this average will be selected.

❑ Click **Select**.

The Print IPR by Average page is displayed allowing you to indicate your printing preferences.





All My Classes	Select to print IPRs for the student for all classes you teach in which the student is enrolled. If selected, the default view for the IPR is the summary view. **Select All** — Select to apply this option to all students in the selected course-section. If selected for any students, you cannot select **This Class** for the students.
Detailed View	Select to print the detailed IPR. If not selected, the summary IPR is printed. The summary IPR only includes the course name, period, current average, and comments. The detail IPR includes assignments and assignment grades, assignment due dates, posted and calculated average, previously posted cycle averages, comments, grading type, and more. **Select All** — Select to print the detail IPR for all students in the selected course-section.
Language	For each student, select the language in which to print the IPR. If you select a language other than *English*, the IPR headings and fields are converted to the selected language; however, the student and course comments are only printed in the selected language if they have been entered in that language in the Student system. User-defined fields are not converted.

IPR Wide Note	(Optional) Type a note to be displayed on all IPRs selected for printing. This note will be appended to any notes entered in the **Note** field on the IPR Comments page. (Notes entered on the IPR Comments page are student-specific.)
Print Parent Signature Line	Select to print a parent signature line at the bottom of the IPR.

❑ Click **Print Selected IPRs**.

The Interim Progress Reports page opens. Click **Return to IPR Selection** to return to this page.

Reports:

Generate percent failing report.

Reports > Percent Failing

This report provides the percentage of a teacher's students who have a failing working cycle average for each class, as well as a total for all of the teacher's classes. The data can be displayed in a pie chart or grid format. Non-graded courses are not included.

Administrative users have the option to view the data for all teachers across the campus.

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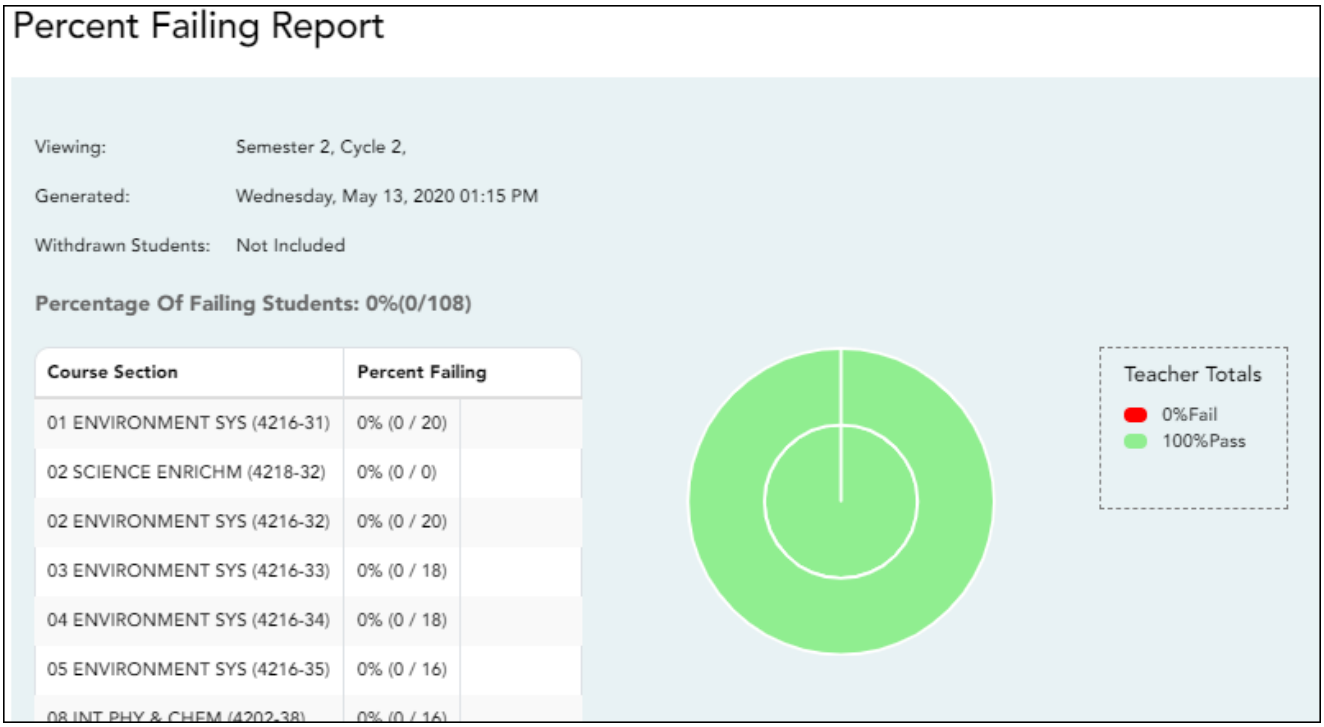


❑ Specify report options:

Semester	The current semester is displayed. You can select a different semester.
Cycle	The current cycle is displayed. You can select a different cycle.

Viewing Options	**Include Withdrawn Students**	Withdrawn students are not automatically included. Select the field to include withdrawn students in the report.
	View Chart	Select to view the data in a pie chart as well as the grid format. If not selected, only the grid is displayed. The pie chart outer circle displays the data for all of the teacher's classes. If any of the teacher's students have failing averages, the pie chart inner circle displays a breakdown of failing students by class.
Admin Options	These fields are only displayed if you are logged on as an administrative user.	
	Across Campus	Select to view data for all teachers across the campus. Otherwise, grades are only displayed for the impersonated teacher's courses.
		Force page break between instructors — This field is enabled when **Across Campus** is selected. Select to include a page break between teachers.

❑ Click **Generate**.

- The report opens in a new window, and you can print the report from that window.
- The report selection page remains open on your desktop.

Generate student grade report (and UIL Eligibility) (if granted access).

Reports > Student Grades Report (and UIL Eligibility)
Reports > Student Group Reports > Student Grades Report
Settings > Student Group Manager > Group Reports > Student Grades Report

This report lists student working cycle averages for all of their courses. Courses in which the student has failing grades are shaded pink.

- If a posted grade exists for the semester and cycle, the posted grade is displayed.
- If an override grade exists, the override grade is displayed.

The report is available to users who log on to TeacherPortal with a district- or campus-level administrative ID, teachers who have access to run the student groups report, or teachers who have UIL access. However, the report can also be run for a student group by any user who has existing groups.

❑ Specify report options:

Semester	The current semester is displayed. You can select a different semester.
Cycle	The current cycle is displayed. You can select a different cycle.
Course-Section **Student Groups**	Select the course for which to produce the report, or select *NO SELECTION* to run the report for all course-sections. You must specify either a course-section or special program, or both. If you are running the group report, **Student Groups** is displayed instead of **Course-Section**. Select the student group for which to run the report.

Special Programs	This field is only displayed if you have been granted access to run group reports. Select the group for which to produce the report. If a program is selected, the report only includes students enrolled in that special program. You can select both a course-section and a special program. If you make selections in both fields, the report includes only students enrolled in the course-section who are also enrolled in the special program. If you select *Generic*, the generic program field appears allowing you to select a specific generic program. Only generic programs for the campus are listed. If a local program is selected, the report only includes students enrolled in that program.
Show only students with at least one grade below	Select to limit the report to students who have at least one course with a working cycle average below a specific grade (e.g., below 70), and type a grade in the field.
Show only students and courses that are UIL Eligible	Select to display only the UIL eligible courses in order to check for UIL eligibility. If selected, the courses listed are determined by campus and district settings. • If the field contains a value in the campus section record, that value is used. • If the field is blank in the campus section record, the field on the district course record is used. • If both fields are blank, the course is not included on the UIL report.

❑ Click **Generate**.

- The report opens in a new window, and you can print the report from that window.
- The report selection page remains open on your desktop.

Generate student group reports.

Settings > Manage Student Groups

Group Manager (left grid)	Your existing groups are listed. Otherwise, the message “No Student Groups were found” is displayed.

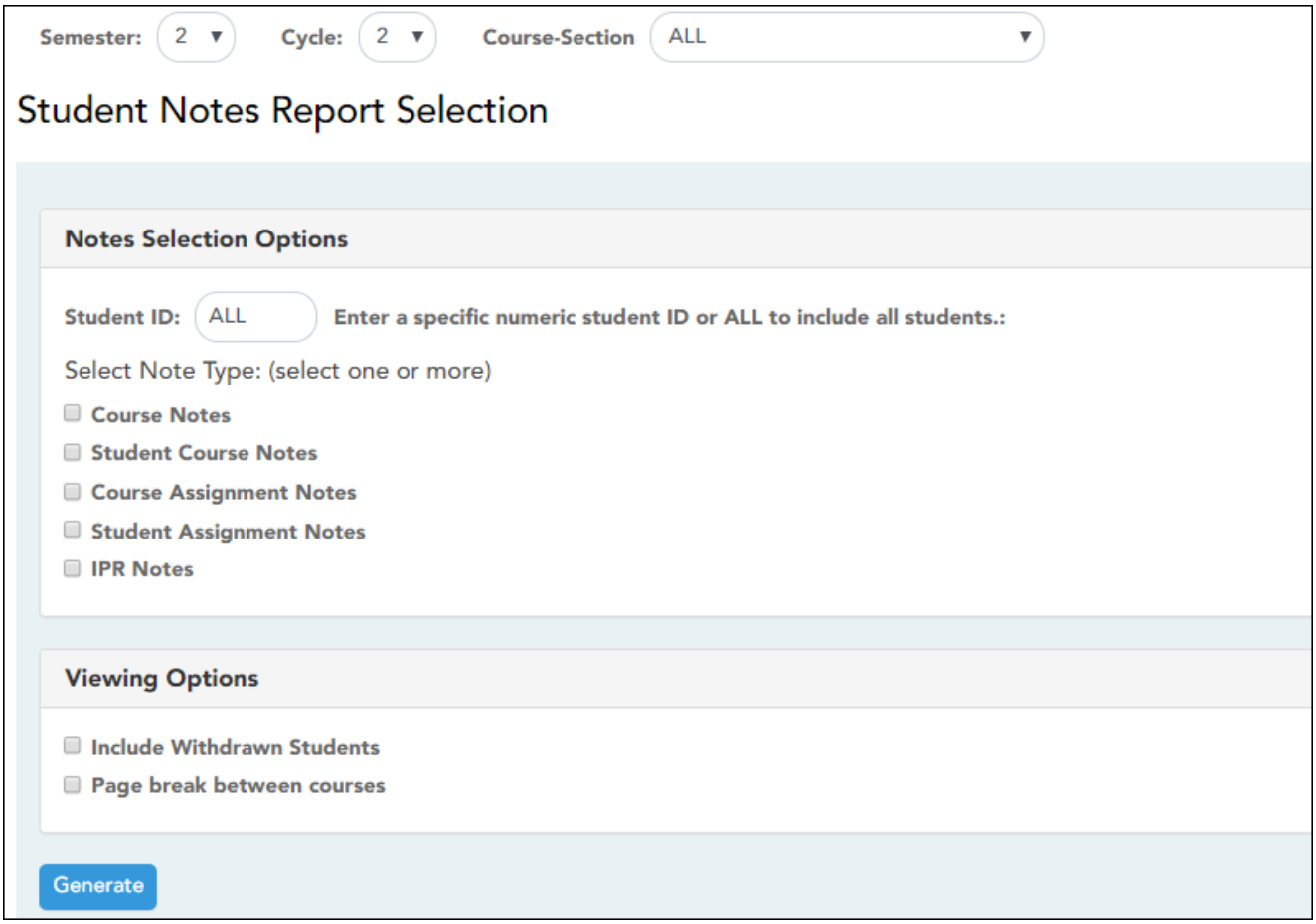
Group Reports (right grid)	The available student group reports are listed; they are linked to the reports in the Reports > Student Group Reports submenu. Some of the group reports mirror other reports available in the Reports menu. If no groups exist, the message “No Student Groups Exist” is displayed in place of any reports.
Group Reports (left grid)	Click a report title to run the report for a student group: • The group Admin Student Grades page allows you to run the Admin Student Grades report for a student group. • The Attendance Summary report generates a summary report of student attendance for a specified student group. • The Student Grades Report (and UIL Eligibility) Report lists student working cycle averages for all of their courses, which allows you to determine UIL eligibility and locate students who may be at risk of losing eligibility. Courses in which the student has failing grades are shaded pink.

Generate student notes report.

Reports > Student Notes

This report displays any of the following notes for one or all courses, and for one or all students.

- **Course Notes:** Notes entered in the **Course Notes** field on Settings > Manage Courses. These are comments and notes entered by teachers about their courses, such as reminders, announcements, and other course-specific information. These notes are displayed to parents in ParentPortal.
- **Student Course Notes:** Notes entered by clicking the note icon next to the student's name on Grades > Assignment Grades. These are course-specific notes entered by teachers about the student, and the notes are associated with specific categories. These notes are note displayed to parents in ParentPortal.
- **Course Assignment Notes:** Notes entered in the **Notes** field on Settings > Manage Assignments. These are notes entered by teachers about their assignments. The notes are displayed to parents in ParentPortal.
- **Student Assignment Notes:** Notes entered by clicking the note icon next to the student's assignment grade on Grades > Assignment Grades. These are assignment-specific notes entered by teachers about the student. The teacher has the option to display the note to parents in ParentPortal.
- **IPR Notes:** Notes entered in the **Note** field on Grades > IPR Comments. These are student-specific notes entered by the teacher about the student relative to the IPR. These notes are printed on the IPR that is distributed to parents.



❑ Specify report options:

Semester	The current semester is displayed. You can select a different semester. The selected semester affects the courses listed in the **Course-Section** drop-down list, but it does not affect the notes displayed; the notes are not semester-specific. For example, for a two-semester course, the notes are displayed for the entire year.
Cycle	The current cycle is displayed. You can select a different cycle.
Course-Section	Select the course-section for which to print the report. Or, select *ALL* to produce the report for all of your course-sections. The drop down lists the two-digit period and course name. The course number and section number are in parentheses.

❑ Under **Notes Selection Options:**

Student ID	Begin typing the student's ID. As you begin typing the ID, a drop-down list displays students whose student ID matches the numbers you have typed. From the drop-down list, select a student.

Select Note Type	Select one or more note types to be printed. The descriptions for each note type are listed above. If you select **Student Course Notes**, the following fields appear:

Note Category	Select the category of notes you want to view. Or, select *ALL* to include all categories.
Notes Created By	Select a user name to see only notes entered by that user. Or, select *ALL* to include notes from all users.
Sort Order	Indicate if you want these notes sorted by note category or user name on the report.

❑ Under **Viewing Options**:

Include withdrawn students	Withdrawn students are not automatically included. Select the field to include withdrawn students in the report.
Page break between courses	Select to print one course per page. Otherwise, the data will print continuously.

❑ Click **Generate**.

- The report opens in a new window, and you can print the report from that window.
- The report selection page remains open on your desktop.

Teacher Guide to ASCENDER TeacherPortal

End-of-Cycle Steps

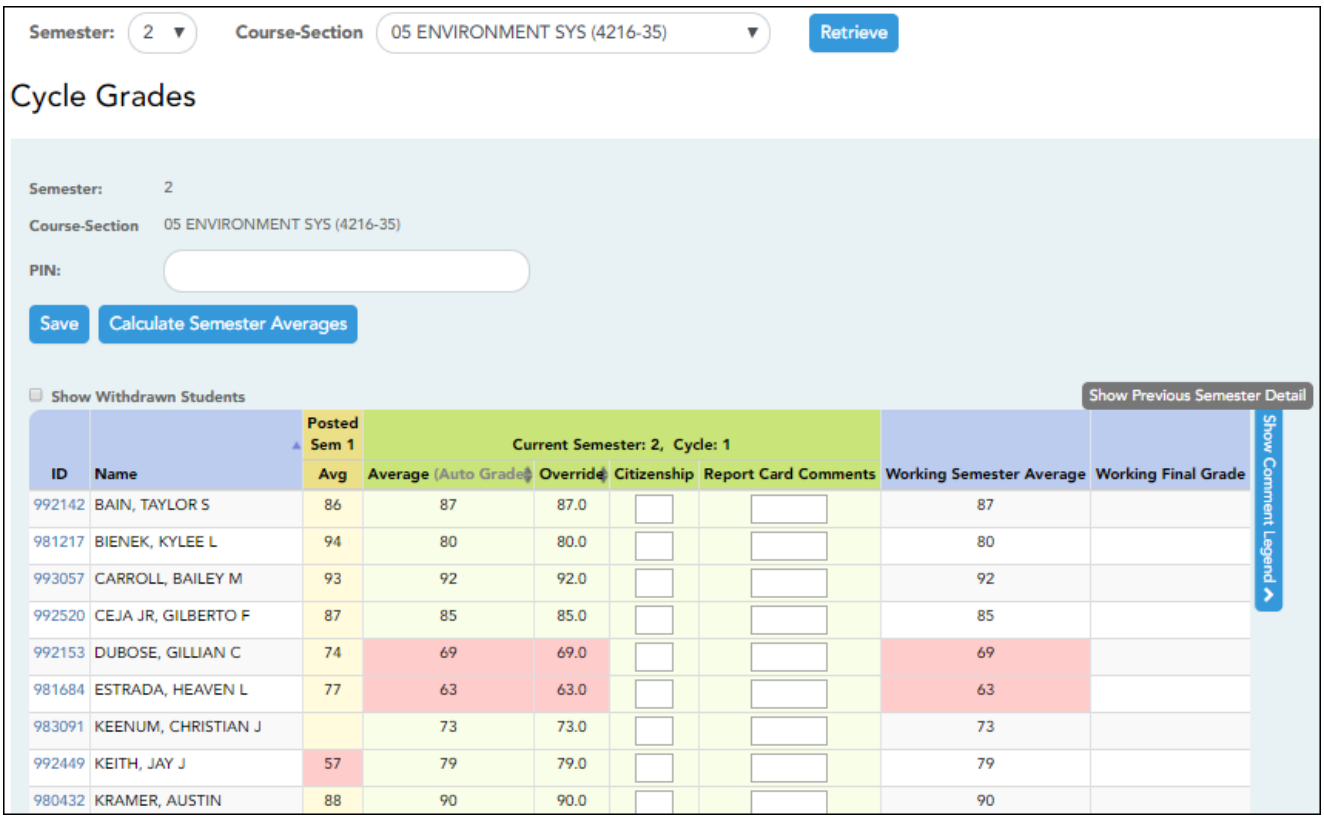
Manage cycle grades information.

Grades > Cycle Grades

This page allows you to manage end-of-cycle and end-of-semester grade data, including cycle and semester averages, working final grade, override grades, exams, citizenship grades, and comments. When all data has been entered correctly and is ready to post, you must submit the cycle and/or semester grades to the campus administrator.

No data is displayed for future cycles.

For self-paced courses, see the **Self-paced Courses** section below.



❑ Select the course-section you want to enter end-of-cycle grades for:

Semester	The semester of the selected date is displayed by default.
Course-Section	Select the course-section you want to enter cycle grades for. The drop down lists the two-digit period and course name. The course number and section number are in parentheses.
Show Withdrawn Students	Withdrawn students are not automatically displayed. Select the field to include withdrawn students in the list. For withdrawn students, the message “Withdrawn” and the withdrawal date are displayed by the student's name. The withdrawal date may be the student's withdrawal date from school or his withdrawal date from the class. No Show students are not included. To hide withdrawn students, clear the field.

❑ Click **Retrieve**.

The grid displays all students currently enrolled in the course-section. Students are sorted by last name, unless you have specified a custom sort order on Settings > Arrange Student Order.

- The columns can be re-sorted

  The columns can be sorted according to your preferences.

  - An up arrow indicates the column and order by which the table is currently sorted.
  - If a column can be sorted, a sort box is displayed in the column heading.
  - To resort the list by another column heading, click in the column heading. The column is sorted in ascending order, as indicated by in the column heading.
  - To sort the column in descending order, click again. The sort arrow changes direction .

  If you sort by the last name column, the table sorts by last name, then first name. If you sort by the first name column, the table sorts by first name, then last name.

  NOTE: Sorting the columns overrides the custom sort order established on the Arrange Student Order page. However, if you leave this page and return, the students are displayed in your custom sort order. (This does not apply on the Post/View Attendance page.)

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- If the course is set up to post alphabetical grades, and **Show averages as alpha** is selected on Grades > Assignment Grades, alphabetical cycle grades are displayed. Otherwise, numeric cycle grades are displayed.
- You can navigate through the grade fields using the keyboard

Press ENTER after you type each grade to move down the list to the next student. You can press SHIFT+ENTER to move up the list. You can also press the up and down arrow keys to move up and down the list.

Press TAB to move across the list to the next assignment. You can press SHIFT+TAB to move back to the left.

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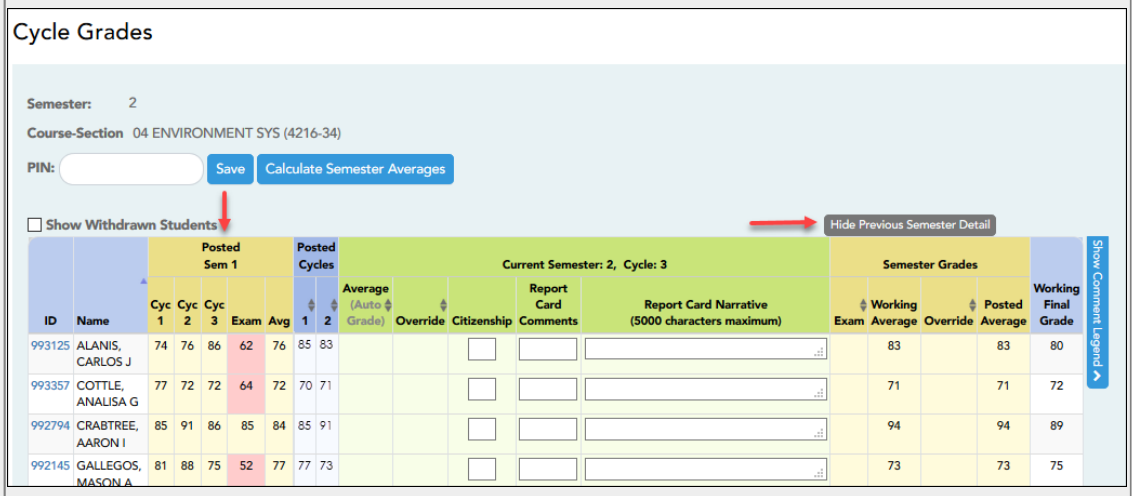
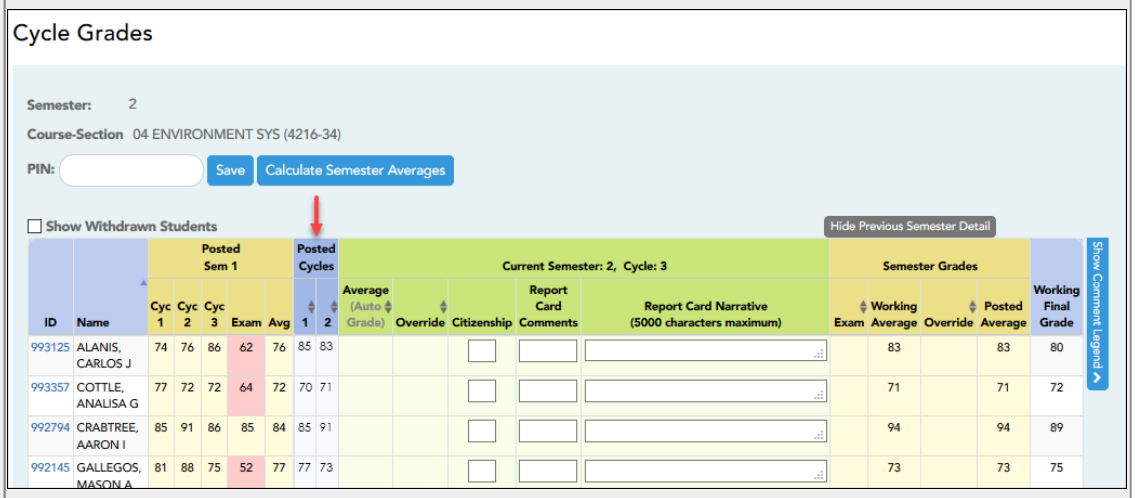
ID	The student's ID is displayed. Click the student ID to view the student's profile.
CURRENT CYCLE	
Under **Current Semester: N, Cycle: N** Current cycle information appears under the **Current Semester: N, Cycle: N** heading, where N is the semester and cycle numbers. Current cycle information includes the following:	
Average/(Auto Grade)	The student's working cycle average is displayed, which is based on the data entered up to this point on Grades > Assignment Grades. This value is recalculated as assignment grade data is entered or changed for the student. The average becomes the student's cycle average, unless the cycle grade is pre-posted or an override grade is entered in the **Override** field (either by the teacher or an administrator). If the grade in this field is an auto grade, the grade is displayed in parentheses in a lighter shade than a working cycle average. The auto grade is not displayed if the student has a working cycle average. For more information on calculating averages, view the online Help for **Weighting Type** on Settings > Manage Categories.
Override	You can use this field to override a student's working cycle average with a different grade (e.g., if the student's working cycle average is 69, you may give the student a cycle grade of 70). You can also type N/G to assign an override grade of no grade. • If the student's cycle grade is pre-posted, the pre-posted grade is displayed in this field. You cannot override a pre-posted cycle grade. • If you post an override grade for a student, and there are no categories for the course, the weighting type is automatically set to percentage.
Citizenship	Type the student's citizenship grade for the current cycle. Valid grades are E, S, N, U, A, B, C, D, and F. The campus may have the citizenship grade set to automatically give all students a default grade. If so, you only need to enter a grade for students whose citizenship grade differs from the default.
Report Card Comments	Type up to five one-character comment codes to specify the comments you want to print on the report card (e.g., “Conference Requested” or “Puts forth good effort”). **Show/Hide Comment Legend**: (located below the grid) Click to view or hide a list of valid report card comment codes and descriptions. The legend opens on the right side of the page.
Report Card Narrative	This field is displayed if enabled at the campus level, and only for the current cycle. You can type up to 5000 characters which will appear on the student's report card.

CURRENT CYCLE	
Reading Level	The field is only displayed for credit level E courses that have a service ID with ELLA or ENGL (i.e., Elementary English Language Arts courses at elementary campuses), and only if the table is setup in Grade Reporting > Maintenance > TeacherPortal Options > District > Reading Levels. Select the student's reading level.
CLOSED CYCLES & SEMESTERS	
Posted Sem: #	For closed semesters, the posted semester grades are displayed under the **Posted Sem: #** heading, where # is the closed semester. If you are currently in the first semester, the **Posted Sem #** heading is not displayed.



Show/Hide Previous Semester Detail	Click to view or hide all data for the closed semesters, including the cycle grades, semester exam grades, and semester averages. Semester averages may or may not be displayed depending on your semester exam pattern and number of semesters: • A previous semester average is not displayed for one-semester courses or two-semester courses that use semester exam pattern 2. • For four-semester courses that use semester exam pattern 2, the previous semester average is displayed. • For four-semester courses that use semester exam pattern 1, the three previous semester averages are displayed.

CURRENT CYCLE	
Posted Cycles	Posted cycle grades for the current semester are displayed by cycle. If you are currently in the first cycle of a semester, the **Posted Cycles** heading and cycle numbers are not displayed.  Cycle Grades Semester: 2 Course-Section 04 ENVIRONMENT SYS (4216-34) PIN: Save Calculate Semester Averages Show Withdrawn Students Hide Previous Semester Detail Show Comment Legend Posted Sem 1 / Posted Cycles / Current Semester: 2, Cycle: 3 / Semester Grades ID Name Cyc 1 Cyc 2 Cyc 3 Exam Avg 1 2 Average (Auto Grade) Override Citizenship Report Card Comments Report Card Narrative (5000 characters maximum) Exam Working Average Override Posted Average Working Final Grade 993125 ALANIS, CARLOS J 74 76 86 62 76 85 83 83 83 80 993357 COTTLE, ANALISA G 77 72 72 64 72 70 71 71 71 72 992794 CRABTREE, AARON I 85 91 86 85 84 85 91 94 94 89 992145 GALLEGOS, MASON A 81 88 75 52 77 77 73 73 73 75 If a cycle or semester is closed, the average is pulled from the grade course record and is display only. If an override grade was entered for the cycle or semester grade, the override grade is displayed. Click the cycle average to view additional information on a posted cycle. A window opens to display the posted cycle average, calculated cycle average, citizenship grade, and report card comments for the cycle. Click **close** to close the window. **NOTE:** For transfer students, the prior cycle grades are entered at the campus level.
SELF-PACED COURSES	
For self-paced courses, a modified version of the Cycle Grades page is displayed to accommodate cycle grade data for self-paced courses.	
Cycle Average	If assignment grades are recorded for the self-paced course, the average (based on the assignment grades) appears under **Cycle Average**. The use of assignment grades is optional for self-paced courses.
Override	The final grade for a self-paced course must be manually entered in the **Override** field, regardless of the data in the other fields.
The semester grades for self-paced courses are automatically posted when they are saved.	

Once saved, failing grades are highlighted in pink.

Save and print:

You must save your grades before you exit this page. Otherwise, your changes will be lost.

IMPORTANT: Saving grades is different from posting grades. You can only post your grades once at the end of the cycle, as described below; however, you must save any changes every time you visit this page. This allows you to leave this page and return as you enter cycle grade data.

PIN	Type your four-digit personal identification number (PIN).

❑ Click **Save**.

- If your changes were saved successfully, the page reloads, and a message is displayed indicating that the grades were saved successfully.
- If you enter an invalid grade, the grade is highlighted in red, and an error message is displayed at the top of the page. You must correct the error before you can save any changes.

Print	Click to print the cycle grades displayed on the page.

Post cycle grades:

❑ After you enter cycle grades data for the course, review your input carefully, and save all changes.

Once the data is posted by the campus administrator, you cannot change any data. If you discover an error after grades are posted, you must contact the campus administrator to correct any errors.

❑ When you are satisfied with your input for one or more of the cycle grades, notify the system that you are ready to post:

Select courses to mark grades as Ready to Post	Click the link. This link is only displayed for current cycles that are open for posting. The campus determines when the cycle is open and closed for posting. A window opens allowing you to select the course-sections that are ready to post. All eligible courses are listed. ❑ Select the course(s), and then click **Select**. The window closes, and the selected course(s) are listed below the **PIN** field. ❑ To change the selected courses, click **Cancel**. The window opens allowing you to re-select the course(s).
PIN	Type your four-digit personal identification number (PIN).

❑ Click **Continue**.

The page reloads, and a message is displayed indicating that the cycle grades were

successfully sent to be posted. The message “[READY]” is displayed in the **Course-Section** drop-down list next to the course.

You can submit your grades more than one time if you make a change shortly after mark the grades as ready to post; however, once the data is posted by the campus administrator, you cannot change any data.

After grades are posted and the cycle is closed, you can make changes to the grades and view the working cycle average (e.g., for a student who missed the last few days of a cycle due to illness); however, you cannot post any changes. Instead, print your changes and submit your printout to the campus administrator.

NOTE: The campus administrator can run a report to determine which teachers have posted their grades and which teachers have not.

Reports:

Generate the cycle grade range report.

Reports > Cycle Grade Range

The report displays cycle grades that fall within a specified range according to options entered.

- If a posted grade exists, the posted grade is used.
- If no posted grade exists, the override grade is used.
- If no override grade exists, the working cycle average is used.
- If no working cycle average exists, the auto grade is used.
- If no grade exists, the grade is blank.
- Administrative users have the option to view the grades for all courses across the campus.

❑ Specify report options:

Semester	The current semester is displayed. You can select a different semester.
Cycle	The current cycle is displayed. You can select a different cycle.

Course-Section	Select the course-section for which to print the report. The drop down lists the two-digit period and course name. The course number and section number are in parentheses.

❑ Under **Grade Selection Options**, select the range of grades to include in the report.

Grade Level	Specify the grade level to run the report for, or leave blank to run the report for all grade levels.
Show all Cycle Grades	Select to include all cycle grades. Blank and incomplete grades are excluded unless you select **Show Blank Grades** and/or **Show Incomplete Grades**.
Show all Cycle Grades between	Select to narrow the report to a specific range of grades, and type a maximum and minimum grade in the **Maximum grade** and **Minimum grade** fields. A note below the **Maximum grade** and **Minimum grade** fields indicates the highest failing cycle grade at the campus for your reference.
Show Blank Grades	Select to include blank grades on the report, regardless of the settings of the **Maximum grade** and **Minimum grade** fields.
Show Incomplete Grades	Select to include incomplete grades on the report, regardless of the settings of the **Maximum grade** and **Minimum grade** fields.

❑ Under **Viewing Options**:

View Student Names	Select to display the student names on the report. Otherwise, the names are not printed on the report, and students can only be identified by their student IDs. The student IDs are always displayed on the report.
View Current or All Course Section(s)	Select one: **Current** — Select to narrow grades to only course-sections for the current semester-cycle. **All** — Select to print grades for all course-sections.
View Current Cycle Grade	This field is only displayed for standards-based courses. For the Cycle Grade Range report, select this option to display the student's cycle average. If selected, the **Current Cycle Grade** column is printed on the report and displays a cycle average for the student that is not cumulative (as the **Cycle Grade** column is), and only takes into account the grades for the selected cycle. This is for informational purposes only.

❑ Under **Admin Options**:

These fields are only displayed if you are logged on as an administrative user.

Across Campus	Select to view grades for all courses across the campus. Otherwise, grades are only displayed for the selected course-section or for the impersonated teacher's courses. **NOTE:**If you are impersonating a teacher for whom no courses are defined, the message "No courses defined" is displayed at the bottom of the page, and the fields are disabled. However, once you select **Across Campus**, the message is removed because it may not apply to all instructors at the campus, and the fields are enabled.

View Course/Section & Instructor in Grid Format	This field is enabled when **Across Campus** is selected. If selected: If **View Course/Section & Instructor in Grid Format** is selected, the report data is displayed in a grid format, and the course-section and teacher are listed in grid columns. The grid can be sorted by student name, course-section, teacher name, or cycle grade. *Sample:*

Stu ID	Student Name	Period Course Name (Course Nbr-Sec) (Room #)	Teacher	Grade	Citizenship	Comments

If not selected:

If **View Course/Section & Instructor in Grid Format** is not selected, the report data is grouped by course-section. The report is similar to the report for non-administrative users; however, the teacher is listed for each course-section. For non-administrative users, the teacher is listed once at the top of the report.

Sample:

Period Course Name (Course Nbr-Sec) (Room #)
Teacher Name

Stu ID	Student Name	Grade	Citizenship	Comments

Period Course Name (Course Nbr-Sec) (Room #)
Teacher Name

Stu ID	Student Name	Grade	Citizenship	Comments

❑ Click **Generate**.

- The report opens in a new window, and you can print the report from that window.
- The report selection page remains open on your desktop.

Generate percent failing report.

Reports > Percent Failing

This report provides the percentage of a teacher's students who have a failing working cycle average for each class, as well as a total for all of the teacher's classes. The data can be displayed in a pie chart or grid format. Non-graded courses are not included.

Administrative users have the option to view the data for all teachers across the campus.

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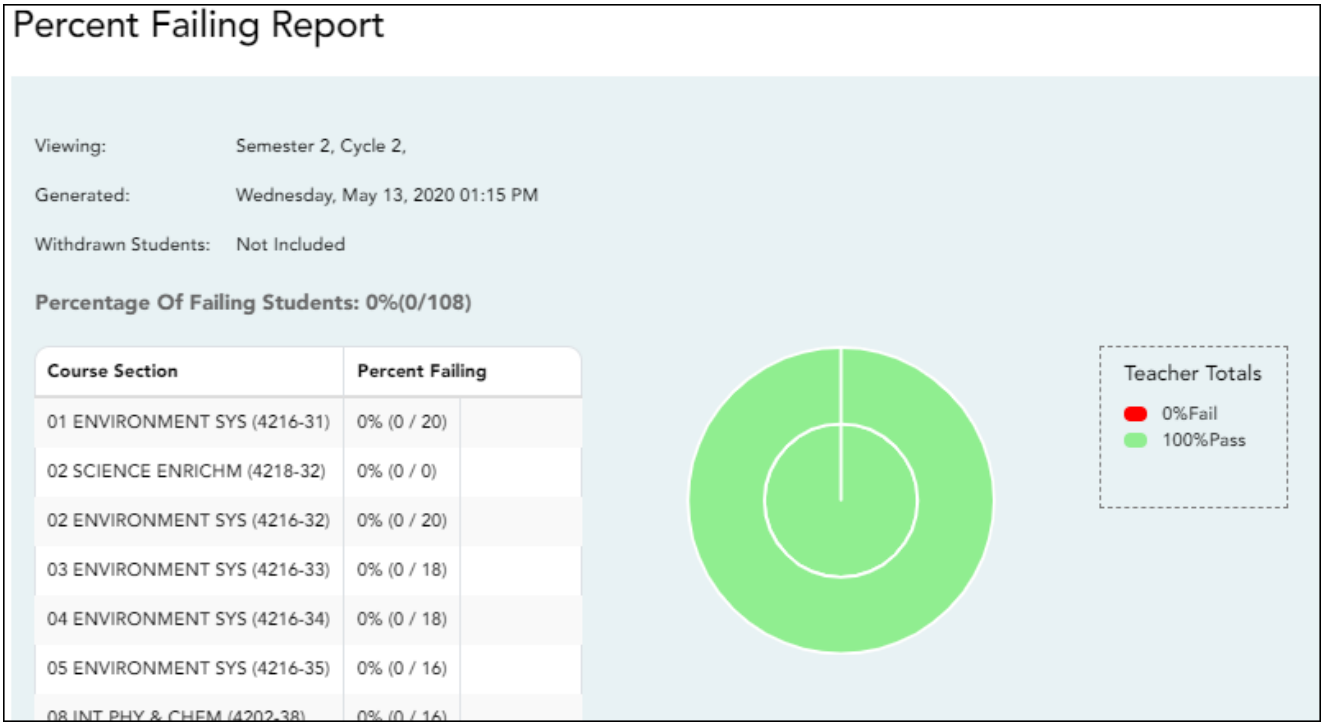


❑ Specify report options:

Semester	The current semester is displayed. You can select a different semester.
Cycle	The current cycle is displayed. You can select a different cycle.

Viewing Options	**Include Withdrawn Students**	Withdrawn students are not automatically included. Select the field to include withdrawn students in the report.
	View Chart	Select to view the data in a pie chart as well as the grid format. If not selected, only the grid is displayed. The pie chart outer circle displays the data for all of the teacher's classes. If any of the teacher's students have failing averages, the pie chart inner circle displays a breakdown of failing students by class.
Admin Options	These fields are only displayed if you are logged on as an administrative user.	
	Across Campus	Select to view data for all teachers across the campus. Otherwise, grades are only displayed for the impersonated teacher's courses.
		Force page break between instructors — This field is enabled when **Across Campus** is selected. Select to include a page break between teachers.

❑ Click **Generate**.

- The report opens in a new window, and you can print the report from that window.
- The report selection page remains open on your desktop.

Generate student grade report (and UIL Eligibility) (if granted access).

Reports > Student Grades Report (and UIL Eligibility)
Reports > Student Group Reports > Student Grades Report
Settings > Student Group Manager > Group Reports > Student Grades Report

This report lists student working cycle averages for all of their courses. Courses in which the student has failing grades are shaded pink.

- If a posted grade exists for the semester and cycle, the posted grade is displayed.
- If an override grade exists, the override grade is displayed.

The report is available to users who log on to TeacherPortal with a district- or campus-level administrative ID, teachers who have access to run the student groups report, or teachers who have UIL access. However, the report can also be run for a student group by any user who has existing groups.

❑ Specify report options:

Semester	The current semester is displayed. You can select a different semester.
Cycle	The current cycle is displayed. You can select a different cycle.
Course-Section **Student Groups**	Select the course for which to produce the report, or select *NO SELECTION* to run the report for all course-sections. You must specify either a course-section or special program, or both. If you are running the group report, **Student Groups** is displayed instead of **Course-Section**. Select the student group for which to run the report.

Special Programs	This field is only displayed if you have been granted access to run group reports. Select the group for which to produce the report. If a program is selected, the report only includes students enrolled in that special program. You can select both a course-section and a special program. If you make selections in both fields, the report includes only students enrolled in the course-section who are also enrolled in the special program. If you select *Generic*, the generic program field appears allowing you to select a specific generic program. Only generic programs for the campus are listed. If a local program is selected, the report only includes students enrolled in that program.
Show only students with at least one grade below	Select to limit the report to students who have at least one course with a working cycle average below a specific grade (e.g., below 70), and type a grade in the field.
Show only students and courses that are UIL Eligible	Select to display only the UIL eligible courses in order to check for UIL eligibility. If selected, the courses listed are determined by campus and district settings. • If the field contains a value in the campus section record, that value is used. • If the field is blank in the campus section record, the field on the district course record is used. • If both fields are blank, the course is not included on the UIL report.

❑ Click **Generate**.

- The report opens in a new window, and you can print the report from that window.
- The report selection page remains open on your desktop.

Generate student group reports.

Settings > Manage Student Groups

Group Manager (left grid)	Your existing groups are listed. Otherwise, the message “No Student Groups were found” is displayed.

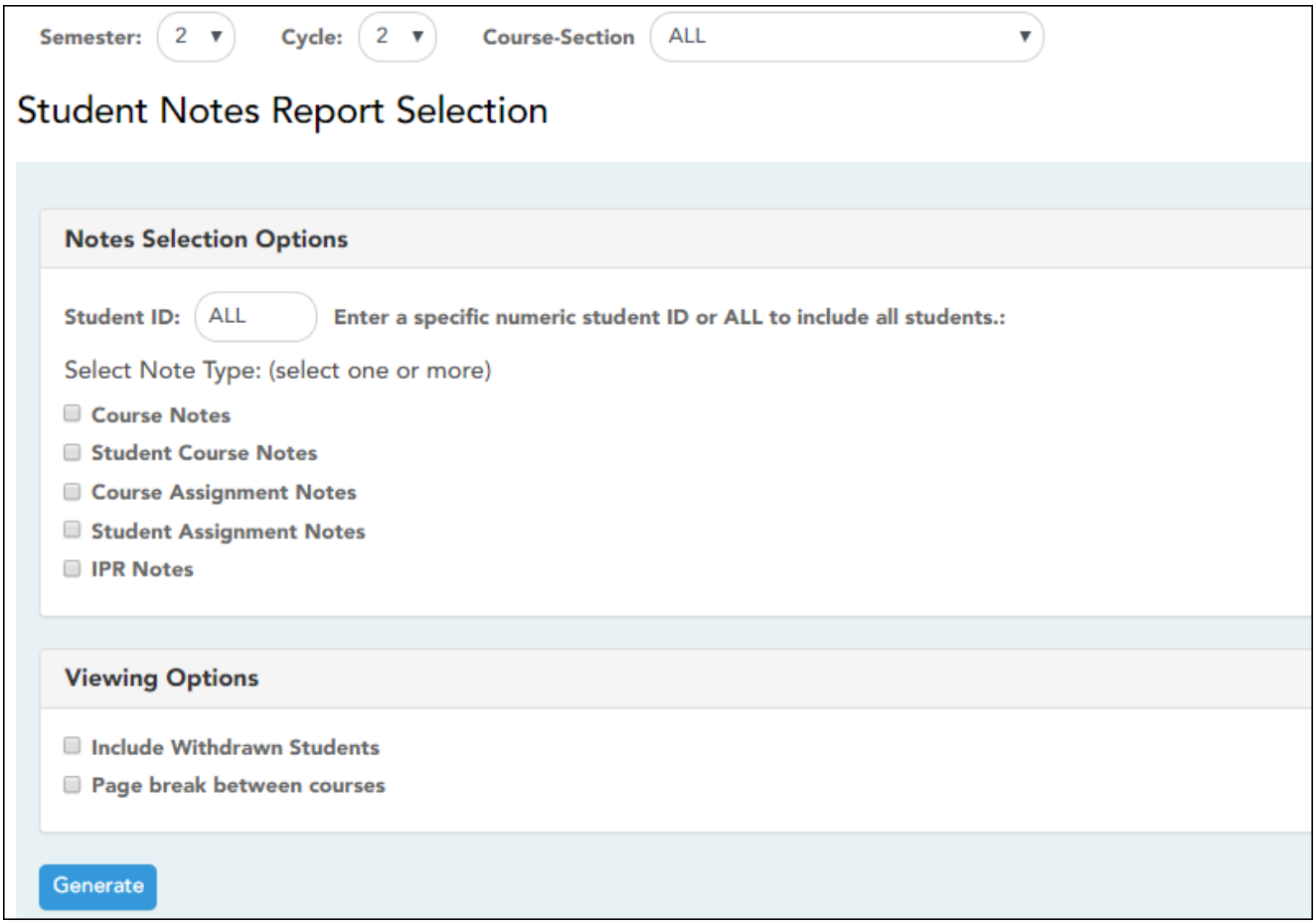
Group Reports (right grid)	The available student group reports are listed; they are linked to the reports in the Reports > Student Group Reports submenu. Some of the group reports mirror other reports available in the Reports menu. If no groups exist, the message “No Student Groups Exist” is displayed in place of any reports.
Group Reports (left grid)	Click a report title to run the report for a student group: • The group Admin Student Grades page allows you to run the Admin Student Grades report for a student group. • The Attendance Summary report generates a summary report of student attendance for a specified student group. • The Student Grades Report (and UIL Eligibility) Report lists student working cycle averages for all of their courses, which allows you to determine UIL eligibility and locate students who may be at risk of losing eligibility. Courses in which the student has failing grades are shaded pink.

Generate student notes report.

Reports > Student Notes

This report displays any of the following notes for one or all courses, and for one or all students.

- **Course Notes:** Notes entered in the **Course Notes** field on Settings > Manage Courses. These are comments and notes entered by teachers about their courses, such as reminders, announcements, and other course-specific information. These notes are displayed to parents in ParentPortal.
- **Student Course Notes:** Notes entered by clicking the note icon next to the student's name on Grades > Assignment Grades. These are course-specific notes entered by teachers about the student, and the notes are associated with specific categories. These notes are note displayed to parents in ParentPortal.
- **Course Assignment Notes:** Notes entered in the **Notes** field on Settings > Manage Assignments. These are notes entered by teachers about their assignments. The notes are displayed to parents in ParentPortal.
- **Student Assignment Notes:** Notes entered by clicking the note icon next to the student's assignment grade on Grades > Assignment Grades. These are assignment-specific notes entered by teachers about the student. The teacher has the option to display the note to parents in ParentPortal.
- **IPR Notes:** Notes entered in the **Note** field on Grades > IPR Comments. These are student-specific notes entered by the teacher about the student relative to the IPR. These notes are printed on the IPR that is distributed to parents.



❑ Specify report options:

Semester	The current semester is displayed. You can select a different semester. The selected semester affects the courses listed in the **Course-Section** drop-down list, but it does not affect the notes displayed; the notes are not semester-specific. For example, for a two-semester course, the notes are displayed for the entire year.
Cycle	The current cycle is displayed. You can select a different cycle.
Course-Section	Select the course-section for which to print the report. Or, select *ALL* to produce the report for all of your course-sections. The drop down lists the two-digit period and course name. The course number and section number are in parentheses.

❑ Under **Notes Selection Options:**

Student ID	Begin typing the student's ID. As you begin typing the ID, a drop-down list displays students whose student ID matches the numbers you have typed. From the drop-down list, select a student.

Select Note Type	Select one or more note types to be printed. The descriptions for each note type are listed above. If you select **Student Course Notes**, the following fields appear:

Note Category	Select the category of notes you want to view. Or, select *ALL* to include all categories.
Notes Created By	Select a user name to see only notes entered by that user. Or, select *ALL* to include notes from all users.
Sort Order	Indicate if you want these notes sorted by note category or user name on the report.

❑ Under **Viewing Options**:

Include withdrawn students	Withdrawn students are not automatically included. Select the field to include withdrawn students in the report.
Page break between courses	Select to print one course per page. Otherwise, the data will print continuously.

❑ Click **Generate**.

- The report opens in a new window, and you can print the report from that window.
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End-of-Semester/End-of-Year Steps

Complete all end-of-cycle steps, plus the following:

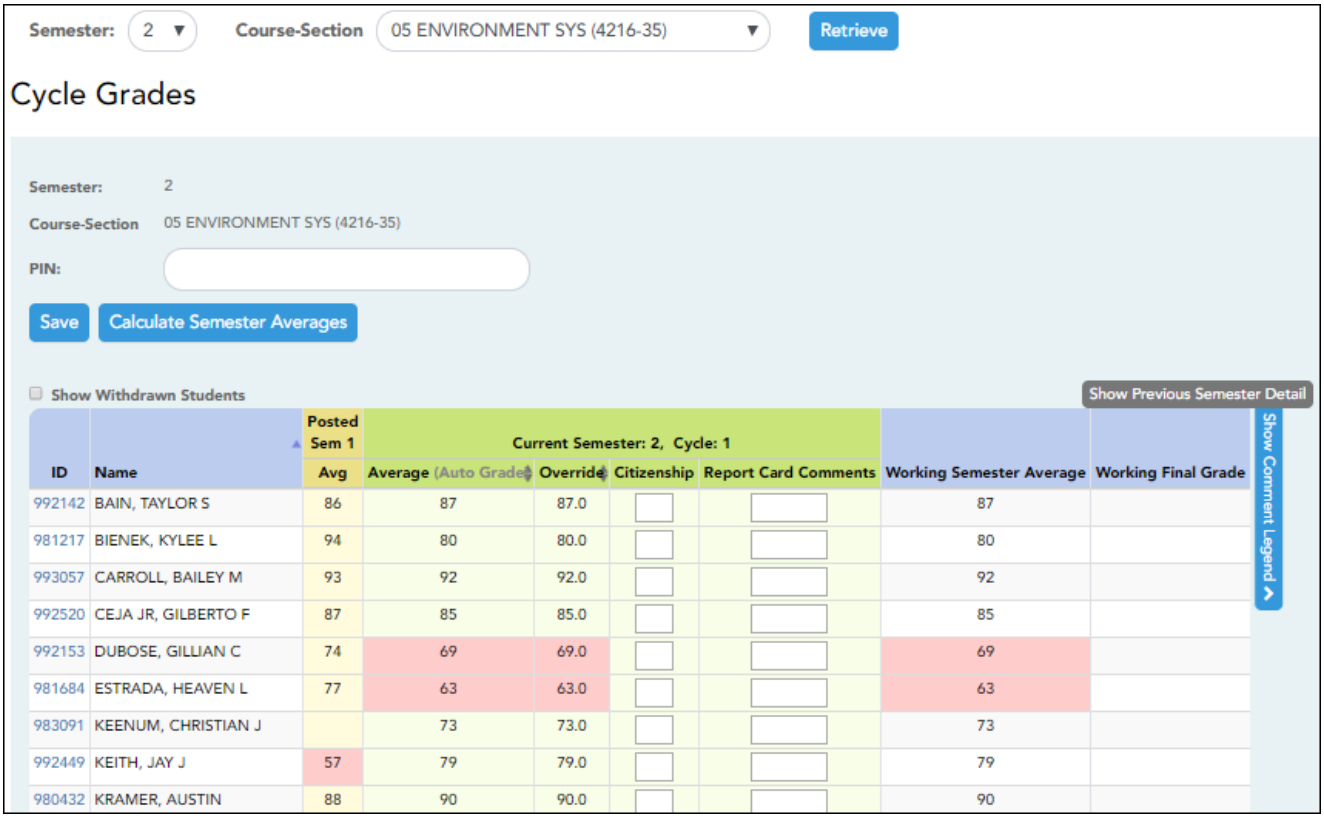
Manage semester grades information.

Grades > Cycle Grades

This page allows you to manage end-of-cycle and end-of-semester grade data, including cycle and semester averages, working final grade, override grades, exams, citizenship grades, and comments. When all data has been entered correctly and is ready to post, you must submit the cycle and/or semester grades to the campus administrator.

No data is displayed for future cycles.

For self-paced courses, see the **Self-paced Courses** section below.



❑ Select the course-section you want to enter assignment grades for:

Semester	The semester of the selected date is displayed by default.
Course-Section	Select the course-section you want to enter semester grades for. The drop down lists the two-digit period and course name. The course number and section number are in parentheses.
Show Withdrawn Students	Withdrawn students are not automatically displayed. Select the field to include withdrawn students in the list. For withdrawn students, the message “Withdrawn” and the withdrawal date are displayed by the student's name. The withdrawal date may be the student's withdrawal date from school or his withdrawal date from the class. No Show students are not included. To hide withdrawn students, clear the field.

❑ Click **Retrieve**.

The grid displays all students currently enrolled in the course-section. Students are sorted by last name, unless you have specified a custom sort order on Settings > Arrange Student Order.

- The columns can be re-sorted

The columns can be sorted according to your preferences.

- An up arrow indicates the column and order by which the table is currently sorted.
- If a column can be sorted, a sort box is displayed in the column heading.
- To resort the list by another column heading, click in the column heading. The column is sorted in ascending order, as indicated by in the column heading.
- To sort the column in descending order, click again. The sort arrow changes direction .

If you sort by the last name column, the table sorts by last name, then first name. If you sort by the first name column, the table sorts by first name, then last name.

NOTE: Sorting the columns overrides the custom sort order established on the Arrange Student Order page. However, if you leave this page and return, the students are displayed in your custom sort order. (This does not apply on the Post/View Attendance page.)

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- If the course is set up to post alphabetical grades, and **Show averages as alpha** is selected on Grades > Assignment Grades, alphabetical cycle grades are displayed. Otherwise, numeric cycle grades are displayed.
- You can navigate through the grade fields using the keyboard

Press ENTER after you type each grade to move down the list to the next student. You can press SHIFT+ENTER to move up the list. You can also press the up and down arrow keys to move up and down the list.

Press TAB to move across the list to the next assignment. You can press SHIFT+TAB to move back to the left.

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ID	The student's ID is displayed. Click the student ID to view the student's profile.
LAST CYCLE/END OF SEMESTER	
Under **Semester Grades**: End-of-semester information includes the following:	

<table>
<tr><th colspan="2">LAST CYCLE/END OF SEMESTER</th></tr>
<tr><td>Exam</td><td>Enter the student's semester exam grade. If the student has a pre-posted exam grade, it is displayed and cannot be changed.

• Incomplete exam - Type I if the exam grade is incomplete. If an I is saved and posted for either a cycle average or exam grade, the semester grade will be I.

• Exempt exam - Type X if the student is exempt from the exam.

• You cannot enter a semester exam grade for a standards-based course.

• If the campus option is set to include exam grades in the semester average, a warning message is displayed when you post grades if you do not enter an exam grade.
<table><tr><td>Fill Exempt Exams</td><td>Click to fill all blank exam grades with X (exempt). All blank grades for the exam are changed to X.</td></tr></table>
If you enter an Exam grade, click Calculate Semester Averages to see the impact of the change on the semester average before saving.</td></tr>
<tr><td>Working Average</td><td>The student's working semester average is displayed, based on the data entered up to this point. The value is recalculated every time you access the page, click Calculate Semester Averages, or save grades.
NOTE: If a cycle grade is blank, the semester grade is not calculated.</td></tr>
<tr><td>Override</td><td>This field allows you to override a student's working semester average with a different grade (e.g., if the student's working cycle average is 69, you may give the student a cycle grade of 70, depending on district policy).

If you enter an Override grade, click Calculate Semester Averages to see the impact of the change on the semester average before saving. You can also type N/G to assign an override grade of no grade.</td></tr>
<tr><td>Posted Average</td><td>The field is blank until a semester grade is posted. Then, the posted semester grade is displayed.</td></tr>
</table>

LAST CYCLE/END OF SEMESTER

For campuses that do not have semester exams every semester (e.g., a four-semester campus that has semester exams at the end of the second and fourth semesters), the semester averages are only calculated if there is a semester exam for the current semester.

During semesters that have semester exams:
• The **Exam** field is displayed.

• The **Working Average** field displays the average of the cycles since the last semester that had an exam. The semester exam is included in the calculation according to campus settings.

• If the current cycle is the last cycle of the semester, the **Exam** and **Working Average** fields are displayed under the heading **Semester Grades**. Otherwise, the working semester average is displayed under the heading **Semester Average**.

• When you view a previous semester that has a semester exam, the **Exam** and **Working Average** fields display the posted grades.

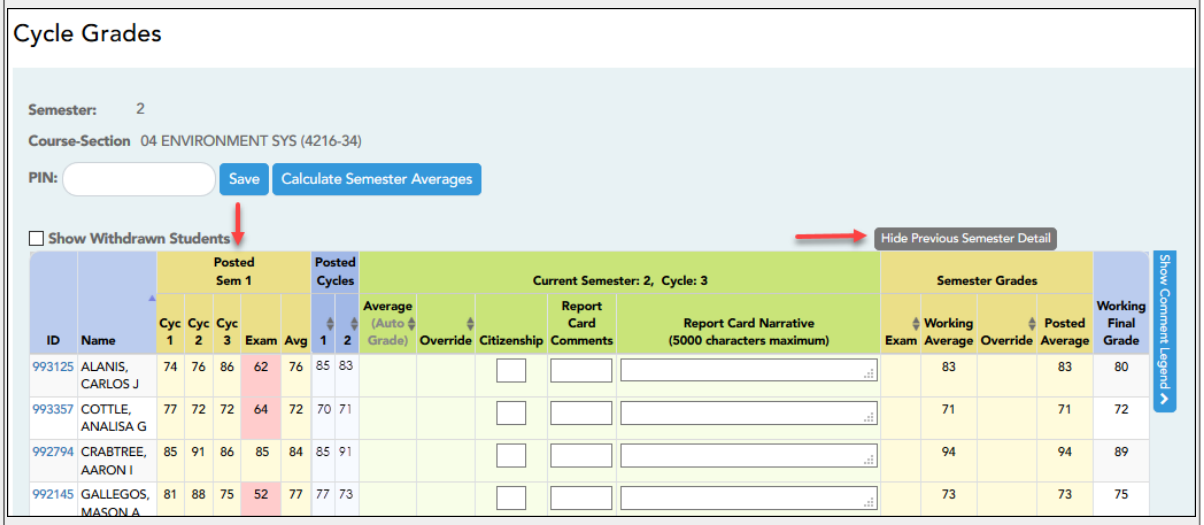
During semesters that do not have semester exams:
• The **Exam** field is *not* displayed.

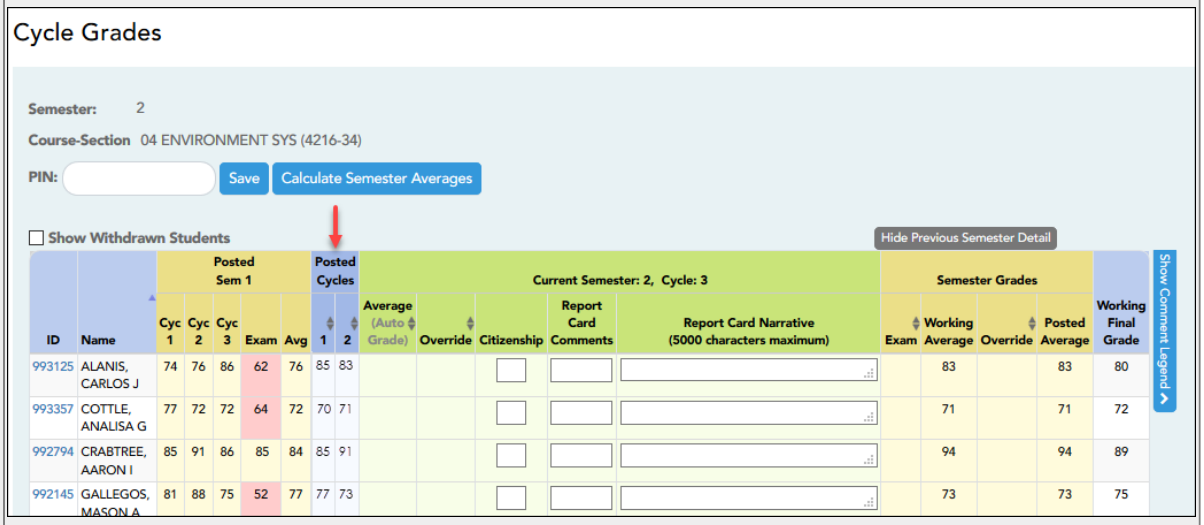
• The **Working Average** field displays the average of the cycles since the last semester that had an exam. When you view a previous semester that does not have a semester exam, neither the exam nor the semester average is displayed.

• If a final grade has been posted for the course, the grade is displayed under the **Working Final Grade** heading.

• If the semester is closed, the **Posted Average** field displays the average from the grade course record.

Working Final Grade	The working final grade includes the posted semester average for any previous semesters and the working semester average for the current semester. The working final grade is not displayed for campuses that use the semester grading concept. The working final grade is recalculated when a semester exam or an override grade is entered for the current semester. If a posted semester average exists for the current semester, the posted semester average is used in the final grade calculation. If there is no posted semester average for the current semester, but an override semester grade exists, the override grade is used in the final grade calculation. If the student was enrolled in one section of a course during semester one, and another section of the same course in semester two, the average for each semester is used to calculate the working final grade. For situations where a student has been enrolled in more than one section of the same course during the first semester, and another section of the course during the second semester, the following applies: **NOTE:** For alpha grades, it is possible that the student's working cycle average from the Assignment Grades page will differ from the **Working Average** and **Working Final Grade** on the Cycle Grades page. The Cycle Grades page uses the highest grade in the range from the corresponding grade conversion table to determine the working average. For example, if the teacher posted a cycle average of 83, it will be converted to a B in the campus records. The Cycle Grades page reads the posted grade B and uses the grade conversion table to determine the **Working Average** and **Working Final Grade**. If the highest grade in the range in the grade conversion table is 89, the grade 89 is displayed on the Cycle Grades page. • If a semester average exists for only one of the first semester course sections, the semester one average is used to calculate the working final grade. • If a semester average exists for both of the first semester course sections, the system does not determine which average to use for the first semester. In this case, a question mark (?) is displayed for the semester one average and the working final grade. For an elementary course that is set to calculate grades using the cumulative year-to-date average (which does not use semester grades), the working final grade will include each posted cycle grade. Example 1: (Cycle 1 + Cycle 2) / 2 = working final grade for cycle 2. Example 2: (Cycle 1 + Cycle 2 + Cycle 3) / 3 = working final grade for semester 1. Example 3: (Cycle 1 + Cycle 2 + Cycle 3 + Cycle 4 + Cycle 5 + Cycle 6) / 6 = working final grade for semester 2. For students who were enrolled in a different section of the same course during a previous semester, the working final grade includes the posted semester average for the other section.
CLOSED CYCLES & SEMESTERS	

Posted Sem: #	For closed semesters, the posted semester grades are displayed under the **Posted Sem: #** heading, where # is the closed semester. If you are currently in the first semester, the **Posted Sem #** heading is not displayed.  Cycle Grades Semester: 2 Course-Section 04 ENVIRONMENT SYS (4216-34) PIN: Save Calculate Semester Averages Show Withdrawn Students Hide Previous Semester Detail Show Comment Legend Posted Sem 1 / Posted Cycles / Current Semester: 2, Cycle: 3 / Semester Grades ID Name Cyc 1 Cyc 2 Cyc 3 Exam Avg 1 2 Average (Auto Grade) Override Citizenship Report Card Comments Report Card Narrative (5000 characters maximum) Exam Working Average Override Posted Average Working Final Grade 993125 ALANIS, CARLOS J 74 76 86 62 76 85 83 83 83 80 993357 COTTLE, ANALISA G 77 72 72 64 72 70 71 71 71 72 992794 CRABTREE, AARON I 85 91 86 85 84 85 91 94 94 89 992145 GALLEGOS, MASON A 81 88 75 52 77 77 73 73 73 75
Show/Hide Previous Semester Detail	Click to view or hide all data for the closed semesters, including the cycle grades, semester exam grades, and semester averages. Semester averages may or may not be displayed depending on your semester exam pattern and number of semesters: • A previous semester average is not displayed for one-semester courses or two-semester courses that use semester exam pattern 2. • For four-semester courses that use semester exam pattern 2, the previous semester average is displayed. • For four-semester courses that use semester exam pattern 1, the three previous semester averages are displayed.

Posted Cycles	Posted cycle grades for the current semester are displayed by cycle. If you are currently in the first cycle of a semester, the **Posted Cycles** heading and cycle numbers are not displayed.  Cycle Grades Semester: 2 Course-Section 04 ENVIRONMENT SYS (4216-34) PIN: Save Calculate Semester Averages Show Withdrawn Students Hide Previous Semester Detail Show Comment Legend Posted Sem 1 / Posted Cycles / Current Semester: 2, Cycle: 3 / Semester Grades ID Name Cyc 1 Cyc 2 Cyc 3 Exam Avg 1 2 Average (Auto Grade) Override Citizenship Report Card Comments Report Card Narrative (5000 characters maximum) Exam Working Average Override Posted Average Working Final Grade 993125 ALANIS, CARLOS J 74 76 86 62 76 85 83 83 83 80 993357 COTTLE, ANALISA G 77 72 72 64 72 70 71 71 71 72 992794 CRABTREE, AARON I 85 91 86 85 84 85 91 94 94 89 992145 GALLEGOS, MASON A 81 88 75 52 77 77 73 73 73 75 If a cycle or semester is closed, the average is pulled from the grade course record and is display only. If an override grade was entered for the cycle or semester grade, the override grade is displayed. Click the cycle average to view additional information on a posted cycle. A window opens to display the posted cycle average, calculated cycle average, citizenship grade, and report card comments for the cycle. Click **close** to close the window. **NOTE:** For transfer students, the prior cycle grades are entered at the campus level.
SELF-PACED COURSES	
For self-paced courses, a modified version of the Cycle Grades page is displayed to accommodate cycle grade data for self-paced courses.	
Cycle Average	If assignment grades are recorded for the self-paced course, the average (based on the assignment grades) appears under **Cycle Average**. The use of assignment grades is optional for self-paced courses.
Override	The final grade for a self-paced course must be manually entered in the **Override** field, regardless of the data in the other fields.
The semester grades for self-paced courses are automatically posted when they are saved.	

Once saved, failing grades are highlighted in pink.

Save and print:

You must save your grades before you exit this page. Otherwise, your changes will be lost.

IMPORTANT: Saving grades is different from posting grades. You can only post your grades once at the end of the cycle, as described below; however, you must save any changes every time you visit this page. This allows you to leave this page and return as you enter cycle grade data.

PIN	Type your four-digit personal identification number (PIN).

❑ Click **Save**.

- If your changes were saved successfully, the page reloads, and a message is displayed indicating that the grades were saved successfully.
- If you enter an invalid grade, the grade is highlighted in red, and an error message is displayed at the top of the page. You must correct the error before you can save any changes.

Print	Click to print the cycle grades displayed on the page.

Post semester grades:

❑ After you enter semester grades data for the course, review your input carefully, and save all changes.

Once the data is posted by the campus administrator, you cannot change any data. If you discover an error after grades are posted, you must contact the campus administrator to correct any errors.

❑ When you are satisfied with your input for one or more of the cycle grades, notify the system that you are ready to post:

Select courses to mark grades as Ready to Post	Click the link. This link is only displayed for current cycles that are open for posting. The campus determines when the cycle is open and closed for posting. A window opens allowing you to select the course-sections that are ready to post. All eligible courses are listed. ❑ Select the course(s), and then click **Select**. The window closes, and the selected course(s) are listed below the **PIN** field. ❑ To change the selected courses, click **Cancel**. The window opens allowing you to re-select the course(s).
PIN	Type your four-digit personal identification number (PIN).

❑ Click **Continue**.

The page reloads, and a message is displayed indicating that the cycle grades were successfully sent to be posted. The message “[READY]” is displayed in the **Course-Section** drop-down list next to the course.

You can submit your grades more than one time if you make a change shortly after mark the grades as ready to post; however, once the data is posted by the campus administrator, you cannot change any data.

After grades are posted and the cycle is closed, you can make changes to the grades and view the working cycle average (e.g., for a student who missed the last few days of a cycle due to illness); however, you cannot post any changes. Instead, print your changes and submit your printout to the campus administrator.

NOTE: The campus administrator can run a report to determine which teachers have posted their grades and which teachers have not yet posted their grades.

Reports:

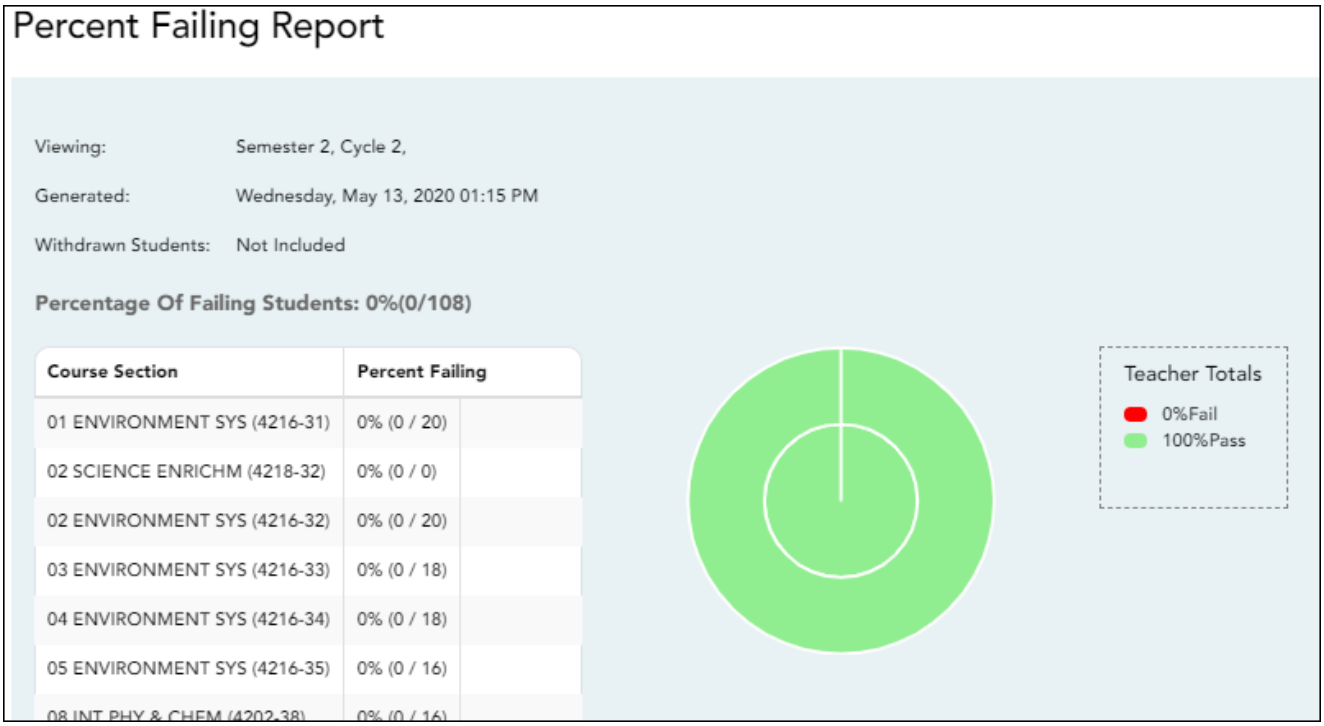
Generate percent failing report.

Reports > Percent Failing

This report provides the percentage of a teacher's students who have a failing working cycle average for each class, as well as a total for all of the teacher's classes. The data can be displayed in a pie chart or grid format. Non-graded courses are not included.

Administrative users have the option to view the data for all teachers across the campus.

NOTE: Background colors may not automatically print, depending on your browser settings. For more information, click here.



❑ Specify report options:

Semester	The current semester is displayed. You can select a different semester.	
Cycle	The current cycle is displayed. You can select a different cycle.	
Viewing Options	**Include Withdrawn Students**	Withdrawn students are not automatically included. Select the field to include withdrawn students in the report.
	View Chart	Select to view the data in a pie chart as well as the grid format. If not selected, only the grid is displayed. The pie chart outer circle displays the data for all of the teacher's classes. If any of the teacher's students have failing averages, the pie chart inner circle displays a breakdown of failing students by class.
Admin Options	These fields are only displayed if you are logged on as an administrative user.	
	Across Campus	Select to view data for all teachers across the campus. Otherwise, grades are only displayed for the impersonated teacher's courses.
		Force page break between instructors — This field is enabled when **Across Campus** is selected. Select to include a page break between teachers.

❑ Click **Generate**.

- The report opens in a new window, and you can print the report from that window.
- The report selection page remains open on your desktop.

Generate missing exam grades report.

Reports > Missing Exam Grades

This report lists students who are missing semester exam grades. The report can only be run for campuses that require exams and have enabled the option for exams for high school courses. Otherwise, the message “Report not applicable to this campus” is displayed.

District and campus administrative users have the option to view the grades for all courses across the campus.

❑ Specify report options:

Semester	The current semester is displayed. You can select a different semester.

❑ Under **Admin Options:**
These fields are only displayed if you are logged on as an administrative user.

Across Campus Select to view missing exam grades for all courses across the campus. Otherwise, grades are only displayed for the impersonated teacher's courses.

View Course/Section & Instructor in Grid Format This field is enabled when **Across Campus** is selected.

If selected:

If **View Course/Section & Instructor in Grid Format** is selected, the report data is displayed in a grid format, and the course-section and teacher are listed in grid columns. The grid can be sorted by student name, course-section, or instructor name.

Sample:

Stu ID	Student Name	Course Nbr-Sec Course Name (period)	Teacher

If not selected:

If **View Course/Section & Instructor in Grid Format** is not selected, the report data is grouped by course-section. The report is similar to the report for non-administrative users; however, the teacher is listed for each course-section. For non-administrative users, the teacher is listed once at the top of the report.

Sample:

Course Nbr-Sec Course Name (period)
Teacher Name

Stu ID	Student Name

Course Nbr-Sec Course Name (period)
Teacher Name

Stu ID	Student Name

❑ Click **Generate**.

- The report opens in a new window, and you can print the report from that window.
- The report selection page remains open on your desktop.

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Teacher Reports

Attendance Reports:

Attendance > Attendance Rosters

Attendance > Attendance Rosters

This page allows you to print attendance rosters for one course or all of your courses at one time. A signature line is provided at the bottom of each period-course.

Date	Type a date in the MMDDYYYY format, or click to select a date from the calendar.
Semester	The current semester is displayed by default. You can select another semester.
Period	Select the period-course for which you want to print the roster. Or, select *ALL CLASSES* to print rosters for all periods.
Sorting Options	Indicate if you want to sort the rosters by student ID, last name, first name, or course-section.

❑ Click **Generate**.

- The report opens in a new window, and you can print the report from that window.
- The report selection page remains open on your desktop.

Reports > Attendance Verification

Reports > Attendance Verification

This report displays attendance for all of your students for a selected course-section and date range. You can view data for up to one semester. You can also generate a summary report that displays only totals for the selected date range.

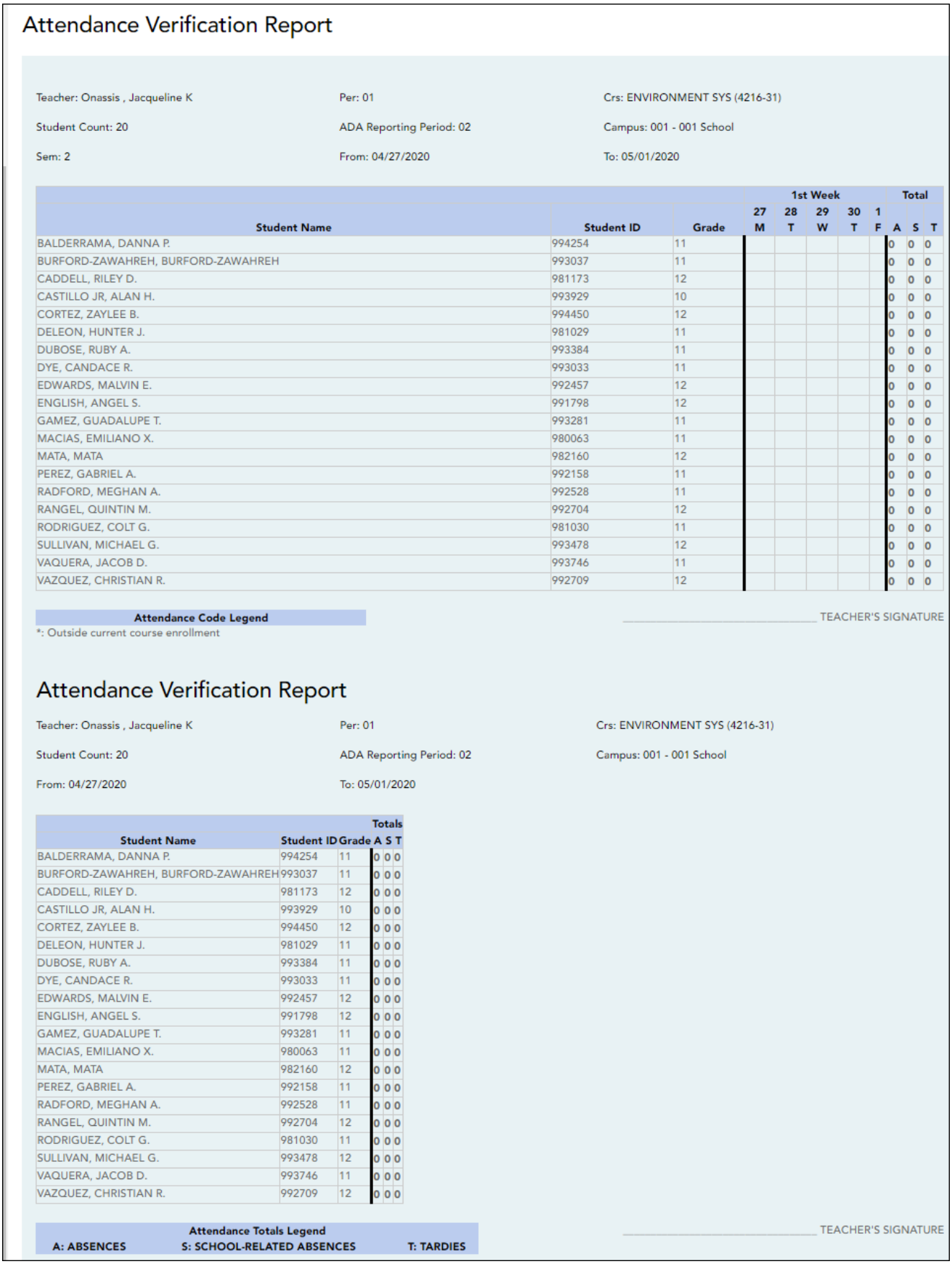
The following codes are used:

- A - Excused absence
- S - School-related absences
- T - Tardy
- X - Truant

An asterisk next to the attendance code indicates that the absence or tardy occurred in a course other than the course the student is currently enrolled in (e.g., if he transferred from one course to another during the school year).

NOTES:

- Inservice work days are indicated with an I in the column heading.
- Saturday may be a valid attendance date, even if the course does not meet on Saturday. This may be used for bad weather makeup days.
- If you are printing the report for more than three weeks, you should set the printer orientation setting to landscape or the **Page Scaling** field to *Shrink to Printable Area*. If the *Shrink to Printable Area* setting is not enabled, the landscape orientation will accommodate up to six weeks plus the **Total** column per page. Additional weeks (up to one semester) can be generated by entering the appropriate dates in the **From Date** and **To Date** fields; however, the report will print on multiple sheets of paper with a **Total** column on each page.



Attendance Verification Report

Teacher: Onassis , Jacqueline K | Per: 01 | Crs: ENVIRONMENT SYS (4216-31)

Student Count: 20 | ADA Reporting Period: 02 | Campus: 001 - 001 School

Sem: 2 | From: 04/27/2020 | To: 05/01/2020

Student Name	Student ID	Grade	1st Week 27 M	28 T	29 W	30 T	1 F	Total A	S	T
BALDERRAMA, DANNA P.	994254	11						0	0	0
BURFORD-ZAWAHREH, BURFORD-ZAWAHREH	993037	11						0	0	0
CADDELL, RILEY D.	981173	12						0	0	0
CASTILLO JR, ALAN H.	993929	10						0	0	0
CORTEZ, ZAYLEE B.	994450	12						0	0	0
DELEON, HUNTER J.	981029	11						0	0	0
DUBOSE, RUBY A.	993384	11						0	0	0
DYE, CANDACE R.	993033	11						0	0	0
EDWARDS, MALVIN E.	992457	12						0	0	0
ENGLISH, ANGEL S.	991798	12						0	0	0
GAMEZ, GUADALUPE T.	993281	11						0	0	0
MACIAS, EMILIANO X.	980063	11						0	0	0
MATA, MATA	982160	12						0	0	0
PEREZ, GABRIEL A.	992158	11						0	0	0
RADFORD, MEGHAN A.	992528	11						0	0	0
RANGEL, QUINTIN M.	992704	12						0	0	0
RODRIGUEZ, COLT G.	981030	11						0	0	0
SULLIVAN, MICHAEL G.	993478	12						0	0	0
VAQUERA, JACOB D.	993746	11						0	0	0
VAZQUEZ, CHRISTIAN R.	992709	12						0	0	0

Attendance Code Legend

*: Outside current course enrollment

_____ TEACHER'S SIGNATURE

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Student Name	Student ID	Grade	Totals A	S	T
BALDERRAMA, DANNA P.	994254	11	0	0	0
BURFORD-ZAWAHREH, BURFORD-ZAWAHREH	993037	11	0	0	0
CADDELL, RILEY D.	981173	12	0	0	0
CASTILLO JR, ALAN H.	993929	10	0	0	0
CORTEZ, ZAYLEE B.	994450	12	0	0	0
DELEON, HUNTER J.	981029	11	0	0	0
DUBOSE, RUBY A.	993384	11	0	0	0
DYE, CANDACE R.	993033	11	0	0	0
EDWARDS, MALVIN E.	992457	12	0	0	0
ENGLISH, ANGEL S.	991798	12	0	0	0
GAMEZ, GUADALUPE T.	993281	11	0	0	0
MACIAS, EMILIANO X.	980063	11	0	0	0
MATA, MATA	982160	12	0	0	0
PEREZ, GABRIEL A.	992158	11	0	0	0
RADFORD, MEGHAN A.	992528	11	0	0	0
RANGEL, QUINTIN M.	992704	12	0	0	0
RODRIGUEZ, COLT G.	981030	11	0	0	0
SULLIVAN, MICHAEL G.	993478	12	0	0	0
VAQUERA, JACOB D.	993746	11	0	0	0
VAZQUEZ, CHRISTIAN R.	992709	12	0	0	0

Attendance Totals Legend

A: ABSENCES **S: SCHOOL-RELATED ABSENCES** **T: TARDIES**

_____ TEACHER'S SIGNATURE

❑ Specify report options:

Semester	The current semester is displayed. You can select a different semester.
Course-Section	Select the course-section and period for which to print the report.

From Date **To Date**	Enter the beginning and ending dates. Both dates must fall within the selected semester.
Include Withdrawn Students	Withdrawn students are not automatically included. Select the field to include withdrawn students in the report.
Summary Only	Select to display only totals for the selected date range. If not selected, the report lists all absences for the selected date range.

❑ Click **Generate**.

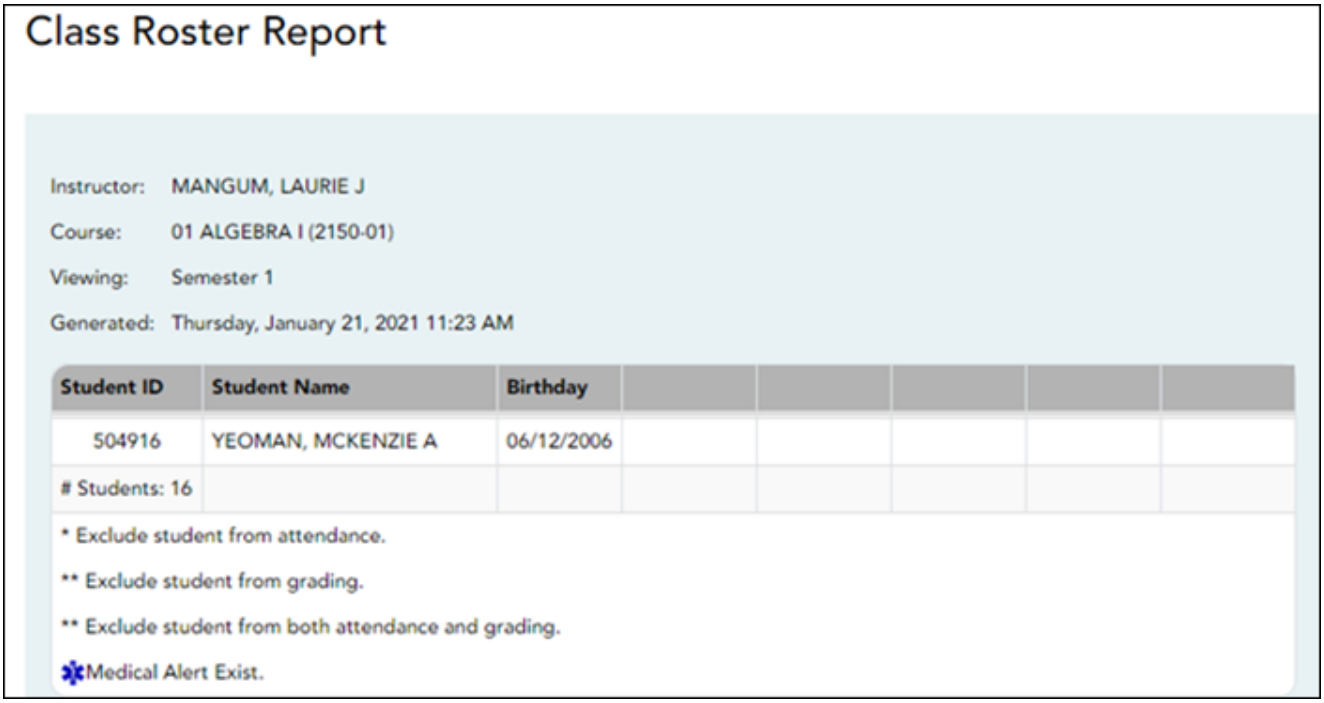
- The report opens in a new window, and you can print the report from that window.
- The report selection page remains open on your desktop.

Reports > Class Roster

Reports > Class Roster

This report provides a blank class roster by semester and course, including a list of students enrolled in the course and up to 50 blank columns. You can choose the sort order and whether to include the student's birth date and contact information. The report can be exported in CSV format.

If you print the report for a course group, the **Course Section** column is included allowing you to identify the course-section in which the student is enrolled.


Class Roster Report

Instructor: MANGUM, LAURIE J
Course: 01 ALGEBRA I (2150-01)
Viewing: Semester 1
Generated: Thursday, January 21, 2021 11:23 AM

Student ID	Student Name	Birthday					
504916	YEOMAN, MCKENZIE A	06/12/2006					
# Students: 16							

* Exclude student from attendance.
** Exclude student from grading.
** Exclude student from both attendance and grading.
Medical Alert Exist.

❑ Specify report options:

Semester	The current semester is displayed. You can select a different semester.	
Course-Section	Select the course-section and period for which to print the report. The drop down lists the two-digit period and course name. The course number and section number are in parentheses. If course groups have been created on the Course Grouping page, the groups are listed as well as the individual courses.	
Columns	Type the number of blank columns to display on the report, up to 50.	
Display Options	**Birthday**	Select to include the student's birth date. The **Birthday** column will be included in the report.
	Student Email	Select to include the student's email address.
	Contact Information	Select to include the student's contact information. The **Contact Information** columns will be included in the report, and all of the student's contacts are listed. The contact's name, relationship, cell phone, home phone, business phone, other phone, mailing address, and e-mail address are listed.
	Guardian Last Viewed IPR/Report Card Date	Select to include the date on which a parent/guardian last viewed the student's interim progress report (IPR) or report card online.
Sorting Options	Indicate the order in which to sort the report data. You can sort by student name (last name), Student ID, course-section (for course groups), birth date (if included), or custom student order. Custom student order is the order specified for the course-section on Settings > Arrange Student Order.	

❑ Click **Generate**.

- The report opens in a new window, and you can print the report from that window.
- The report selection page remains open on your desktop.

Reports > Seating Chart

Reports > Seating Charts

This report prints a teacher's seating charts for all periods or one period. For each period, the seating chart is displayed followed by a list of students who are not assigned to seats. The seating chart lists the student name, gender, and ID.

If printed for all periods, each period prints on a separate page.

NOTE: If that field has been changed, and the seating charts have not been re-saved on Settings > Manage Charts since the setting was changed, a warning message is displayed

when the report is generated indicating that the reports will not be accurate until the Manage Seating Charts page has been re-saved. You must review the seating chart for each period on the Manage Seating Charts page, make any necessary changes, and then re-save each chart.

❑ Specify report options:

Semester	The current semester is displayed. You can select a different semester.
Period	Select the period-course(s) to print the seating chart for, or select *ALL CLASSES* to print seating charts for all periods. If **Combine Courses in Attendance** is selected on your Settings > Update Profile page, the courses are combined by period.
width	Select the width setting for the report.
	Fixed Seat Width: Select to print a report in which all seats are the same width. This setting works for small and average-size classes. For larger classes, some seats may not print on the page.
	Auto-Adjusted Seat Width: Select to print a report in which each column is adjusted to the student name. Each column is only wide enough to accommodate the longest name in the column; therefore, some columns are wider than others. This setting is a better option for larger classes.
	For either width setting, you can adjust the orientation when you print. Select **Landscape** to increase the number of students that fit on the page.
Show Pictures	Select to display student photos in the seating chart. Photos are only available if they have been added by the district.

❑ Click **Generate**.

- The report opens in a new window, and you can print the report from that window.
- The report selection page remains open on your desktop.

Grades Reports:

Reports > Student Grade Report (and UIL Eligibility) (if granted access)

Reports > Student Grades Report (and UIL Eligibility)

Reports > Student Group Reports > Student Grades Report
Settings > Student Group Manager > Group Reports > Student Grades Report

This report lists student working cycle averages for all of their courses. Courses in which the student has failing grades are shaded pink.

- If a posted grade exists for the semester and cycle, the posted grade is displayed.
- If an override grade exists, the override grade is displayed.

The report is available to users who log on to TeacherPortal with a district- or campus-level administrative ID, teachers who have access to run the student groups report, or teachers who have UIL access. However, the report can also be run for a student group by any user who has existing groups.

❑ Specify report options:

Semester	The current semester is displayed. You can select a different semester.
Cycle	The current cycle is displayed. You can select a different cycle.
Course-Section **Student Groups**	Select the course for which to produce the report, or select *NO SELECTION* to run the report for all course-sections. You must specify either a course-section or special program, or both. If you are running the group report, **Student Groups** is displayed instead of **Course-Section**. Select the student group for which to run the report.

Special Programs	This field is only displayed if you have been granted access to run group reports. Select the group for which to produce the report. If a program is selected, the report only includes students enrolled in that special program. You can select both a course-section and a special program. If you make selections in both fields, the report includes only students enrolled in the course-section who are also enrolled in the special program. If you select *Generic*, the generic program field appears allowing you to select a specific generic program. Only generic programs for the campus are listed. If a local program is selected, the report only includes students enrolled in that program.
Show only students with at least one grade below	Select to limit the report to students who have at least one course with a working cycle average below a specific grade (e.g., below 70), and type a grade in the field.

Show only students and courses that are UIL Eligible	Select to display only the UIL eligible courses in order to check for UIL eligibility. If selected, the courses listed are determined by campus and district settings. • If the field contains a value in the campus section record, that value is used. • If the field is blank in the campus section record, the field on the district course record is used. • If both fields are blank, the course is not included on the UIL report.

❑ Click **Generate**.

- The report opens in a new window, and you can print the report from that window.
- The report selection page remains open on your desktop.

Reports > Assignment Grades

Reports > Assignment Grades

This report lists assignment grades for all students in a course according to options entered on this page. The overall assignment average and class average are also displayed.

- Excluded grades are indicated by Ex in place of the grade.
- Dropped grades are indicated by D next to the grade.

NOTE: The **Category Legend** as it appears on the report matches the **Cat ID** (category ID) column (in the **Assignment Legend**) to the corresponding category name and category weight. The **Assignment Legend** matches the assignment ID heading to the corresponding assignment name, total points, and **Cat ID**.

❑ Specify report options:

Semester	The current semester is displayed. You can select a different semester.
Cycle	The current cycle is displayed. You can select a different cycle.

Course-Section	Select the course-section for which to print the report. Or, select *All* to produce the report for all of your course-sections. The drop down lists the two-digit period and course name. The course number and section number are in parentheses.

Viewing Options	**View Student Names**	Select to display the student names on the report. Otherwise, the names are not printed on the report, and students can only be identified by their student IDs. The student IDs are always displayed on the report.
	View Withdrawn Students	Withdrawn students are not automatically displayed. Select the field to display them. The message “W/D” and the withdrawal date or “Dropped” are displayed by the student's name. The withdrawal date may be the student's withdrawal date from school or his withdrawal date from the class.
Sorting Options	Indicate the field to sort the report by.	
	Custom Student Order	This option is only displayed if **Student Order** on the Update Profile page is set to add new students to the top of the list or bottom of the list. Select **Custom Student Order** to sort the report in your custom sort order. If you have not specified a custom sort order for a particular class, the students are sorted by name.

❑ Click **Generate**.

- The report opens in a new window, and you can print the report from that window.
- The report selection page remains open on your desktop.

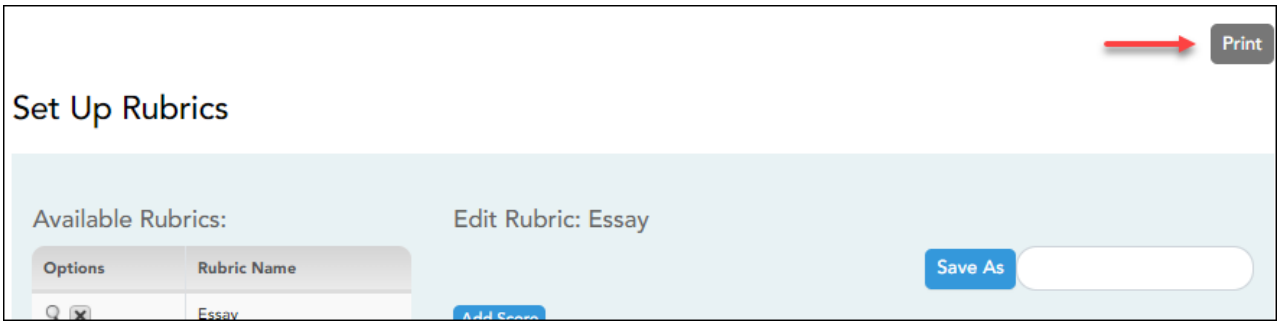
Reports > Rubrics (if enabled for campus)

There are two ways to access the rubric printing options:

- From the Manage Rubric Charts page, click **Print**.
- From the Reports menu, select **Rubrics**.

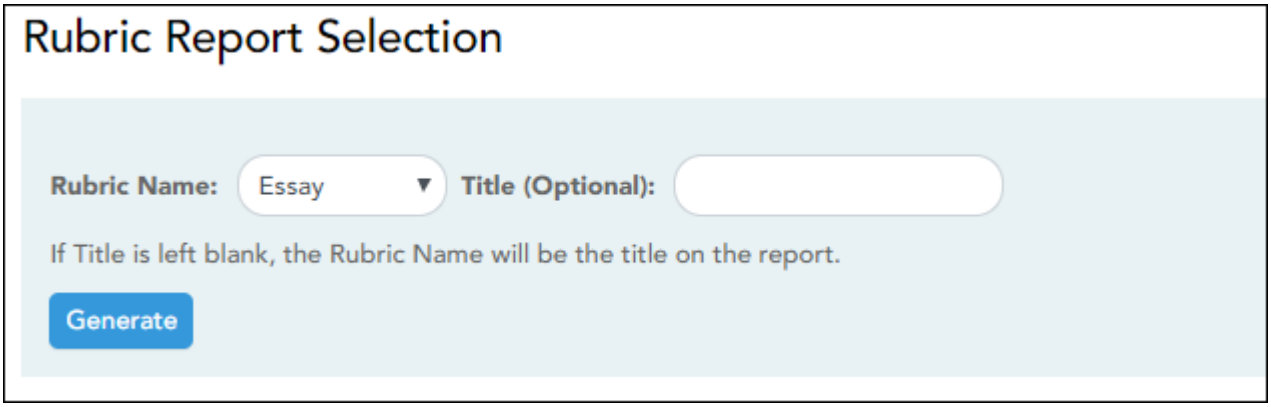
Print the rubric chart:

❑ Click **Print** to print a report of the displayed rubric chart.



The Rubric Report Selection page opens allowing you to make selections for printing the report.

This report prints a rubric chart which has been set up on Settings > Manage Rubric Charts. You can print only the rubric chart (i.e., blank), or you can print the rubric chart with student grades for a particular assignment.



❑ Specify report options:

Rubric Name	Select the rubric chart you want to print. Only rubric charts that have skills and scores already set up are listed.
Title	(Optional) Type a title for the report, up to 50 characters. If blank, the rubric chart name is used as the title.

Print with grades	Select to print the report with student grades. This field is only displayed if the selected rubric chart has already been used to grade an assignment. If selected, an additional field is displayed allowing you to select a course-section. Only course-sections that have a rubric chart set up are listed.		
	course-section	Once you select a course-section, another field is displayed allowing you to select the assignment that was graded with a rubric chart.	
		assignment	Once you select an assignment, a list of students in the course-section is displayed, along with their grade for the assignment.
			This Student — Select for the students you want to print the rubric for. You can select **Check all** at the top of the column to select all students in the course-section.

❑ Click **Generate**.

- The report opens in a new window, and you can print the report from that window.
- The report selection page remains open on your desktop.

Grades Reports (Standards-Based):

Reports > Assignment Grades (Standards-Based)

Reports > Assignment Grades Standards-Based

This report lists assignment grades (i.e., scores) and class averages for all students in a standards-based course according to options entered on this page. The overall class average is also displayed. The report can be exported as a spreadsheet.

Printing the scores is optional; you can also print the report with just the students' class averages.

NOTE: If the report is too large to fit on one page, you must export the report in order to print the complete report. The **Export** button is available on the report. If you click **Print**, only the first page is printed.

X - indicates the assignment grade is excluded.
L - indicates the assignment grade is marked as late (but not excluded).
R - indicates the assignment grade is marked as re-do (but not excluded).
I - indicates the assignment is incomplete.
M - indicates the assignment is missing.

❑ Specify report options:

Semester	The current semester is displayed. You can select a different semester.
Cycle	The current cycle is displayed. You can select a different cycle.
Course-Section	Select the course-section for which to print the report. The drop down lists the two-digit period and course name. The course number and section number are in parentheses.

Viewing Options	**View Assignments**	Select to print the individual assignments and current class average on the report. Otherwise, only the student's current class average is displayed.
	View Student Names	Select to display the student names on the report. Otherwise, the names are not printed on the report, and students can only be identified by their student IDs. The student IDs are always displayed on the report.
	View Withdrawn Students	Withdrawn students are not automatically displayed. Select the field to display them. The message “W/D” and the withdrawal date or “Dropped” are displayed by the student's name. The withdrawal date may be the student's withdrawal date from school or his withdrawal date from the class.
Sorting Options	Indicate the field to sort the report by.	

❑ Click **Generate**.

- The report opens in a new window, and you can print the report from that window.
- The report selection page remains open on your desktop.

Reports > Score Trend

Reports > Score Trend Report

This report displays a student's standard assignment grades in a line chart format, which allows you to see the student's grade progression for each standard. This report only applies to course-sections that are set up to use standards-based grading.

The rubric score grid lines are displayed according to the scale used by the campus.

- The vertical line represents the rubric scores as established by the district.
- The horizontal line represents the assignments that are associated with the selected standard.

❑ Specify report options:

Semester	The current semester is displayed. You can select a different semester.
Cycle	The current cycle is displayed. You can select a different cycle. Or, select *All* to generate the report for all cycles to date in the current semester.
Course-Section	Select the course-section for which to print the report. Or, select *All* to produce the report for all of your course-sections. The drop down lists the two-digit period and course name. The course number and section number are in parentheses.
Standard	Select the standard for which to print the report. Or, select *All Standards* to print the report for all standards, where one chart is displayed per standard.
Student	Select the student to print the report for.

❑ Click **Generate**.

- The report opens in a new window, and you can print the report from that window.
- The report selection page remains open on your desktop.

End-of-Cycle/Semester Reports:

Reports > Blank/Missing Grades

Reports > Blank/Missing Grades

This report lists blank, missing, and incomplete assignment grades according to options entered on this page.

❑ Specify report options:

Semester	The current semester is displayed. You can select a different semester.
Cycle	The current cycle is displayed. You can select a different cycle.
Course-Section	Select the course-section for which to print the report. The drop down lists the two-digit period and course name. The course number and section number are in parentheses.

Grade Selection Options	Select the items you want to include in the report. For example, to include all student assignment grades for which no grade has been entered, select **Show Blank Grades**. To include all items, select **Select All**.	
Viewing Options	**Page break between students**	Select to print one student per page. Otherwise, the data will print continuously.
	View Student Names	Select to display the student names on the report. Otherwise, the names are not printed on the report, and students can only be identified by their student IDs. The student IDs are always displayed on the report.
	View all assignments due after	Select to narrow assignments by date, and enter a valid school date.
	View Current or All Course Sections	**Current** — Select to narrow assignments to only course-sections for the current semester-cycle. **All** — Select to show assignments for all course-sections.

❑ Click **Generate**.

- The report opens in a new window, and you can print the report from that window.
- The report selection page remains open on your desktop.

Reports > Student Notes

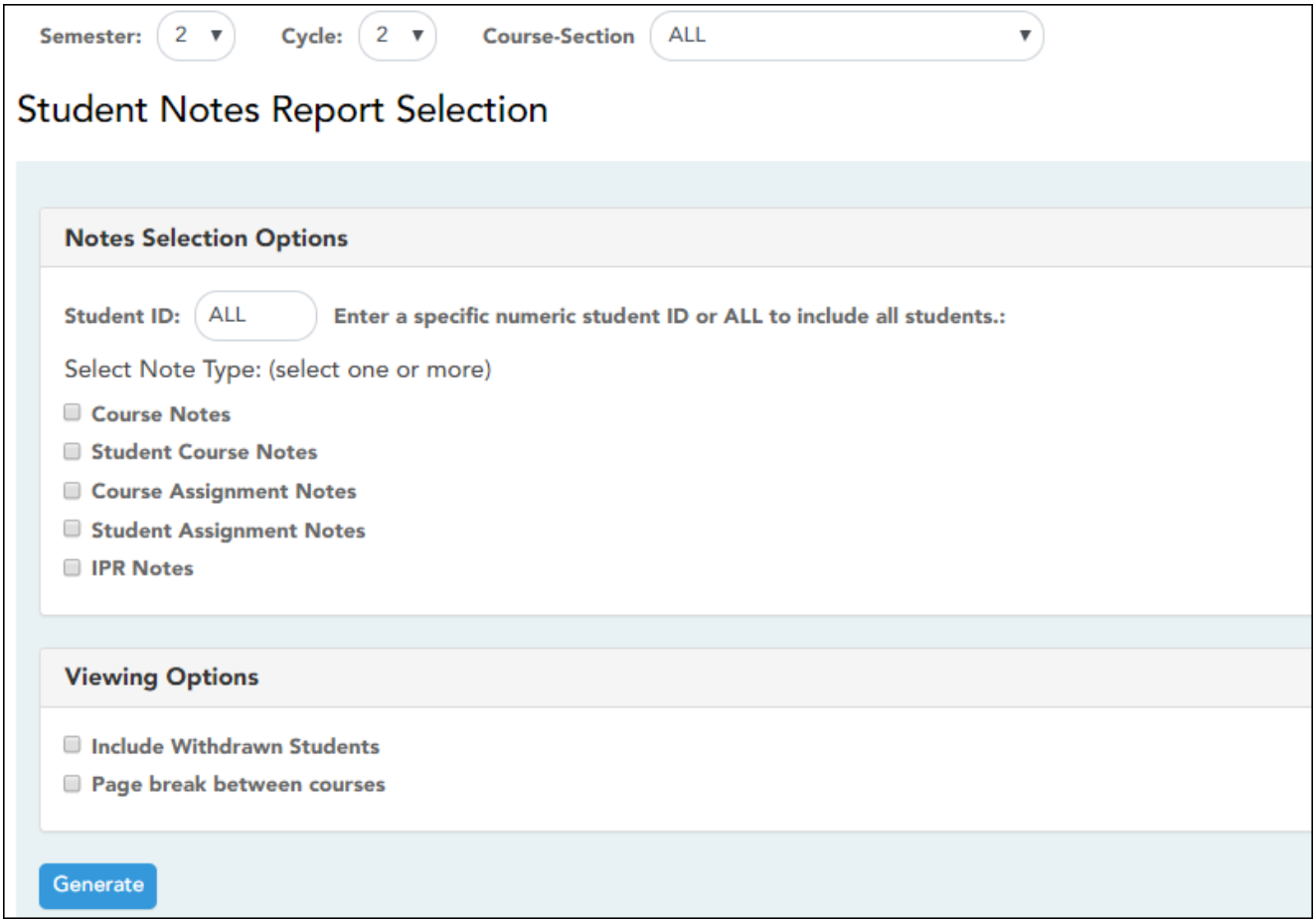
Reports > Student Notes

This report displays any of the following notes for one or all courses, and for one or all students.

- **Course Notes:** Notes entered in the **Course Notes** field on Settings > Manage Courses. These are comments and notes entered by teachers about their courses, such as reminders, announcements, and other course-specific information. These notes are displayed to parents in ParentPortal.
- **Student Course Notes:** Notes entered by clicking the note icon next to the student's name on Grades > Assignment Grades. These are course-specific notes entered by teachers about the student, and the notes are associated with specific categories. These notes are note displayed to parents in ParentPortal.
- **Course Assignment Notes:** Notes entered in the **Notes** field on Settings > Manage Assignments. These are notes entered by teachers about their assignments. The notes are displayed to parents in ParentPortal.
- **Student Assignment Notes:** Notes entered by clicking the note icon next to the student's assignment grade on Grades > Assignment Grades. These are assignment-specific notes entered by teachers about the student. The teacher has the option to

display the note to parents in ParentPortal.

- **IPR Notes:** Notes entered in the **Note** field on Grades > IPR Comments. These are student-specific notes entered by the teacher about the student relative to the IPR. These notes are printed on the IPR that is distributed to parents.



❑ Specify report options:

Semester	The current semester is displayed. You can select a different semester. The selected semester affects the courses listed in the **Course-Section** drop-down list, but it does not affect the notes displayed; the notes are not semester-specific. For example, for a two-semester course, the notes are displayed for the entire year.
Cycle	The current cycle is displayed. You can select a different cycle.
Course-Section	Select the course-section for which to print the report. Or, select *ALL* to produce the report for all of your course-sections. The drop down lists the two-digit period and course name. The course number and section number are in parentheses.

❑ Under **Notes Selection Options:**

Student ID	Begin typing the student's ID. As you begin typing the ID, a drop-down list displays students whose student ID matches the numbers you have typed. From the drop-down list, select a student.
Select Note Type	Select one or more note types to be printed. The descriptions for each note type are listed above. If you select **Student Course Notes**, the following fields appear:

Note Category	Select the category of notes you want to view. Or, select *ALL* to include all categories.
Notes Created By	Select a user name to see only notes entered by that user. Or, select *ALL* to include notes from all users.
Sort Order	Indicate if you want these notes sorted by note category or user name on the report.

❑ Under **Viewing Options**:

Include withdrawn students	Withdrawn students are not automatically included. Select the field to include withdrawn students in the report.
Page break between courses	Select to print one course per page. Otherwise, the data will print continuously.

❑ Click **Generate**.

- The report opens in a new window, and you can print the report from that window.
- The report selection page remains open on your desktop.

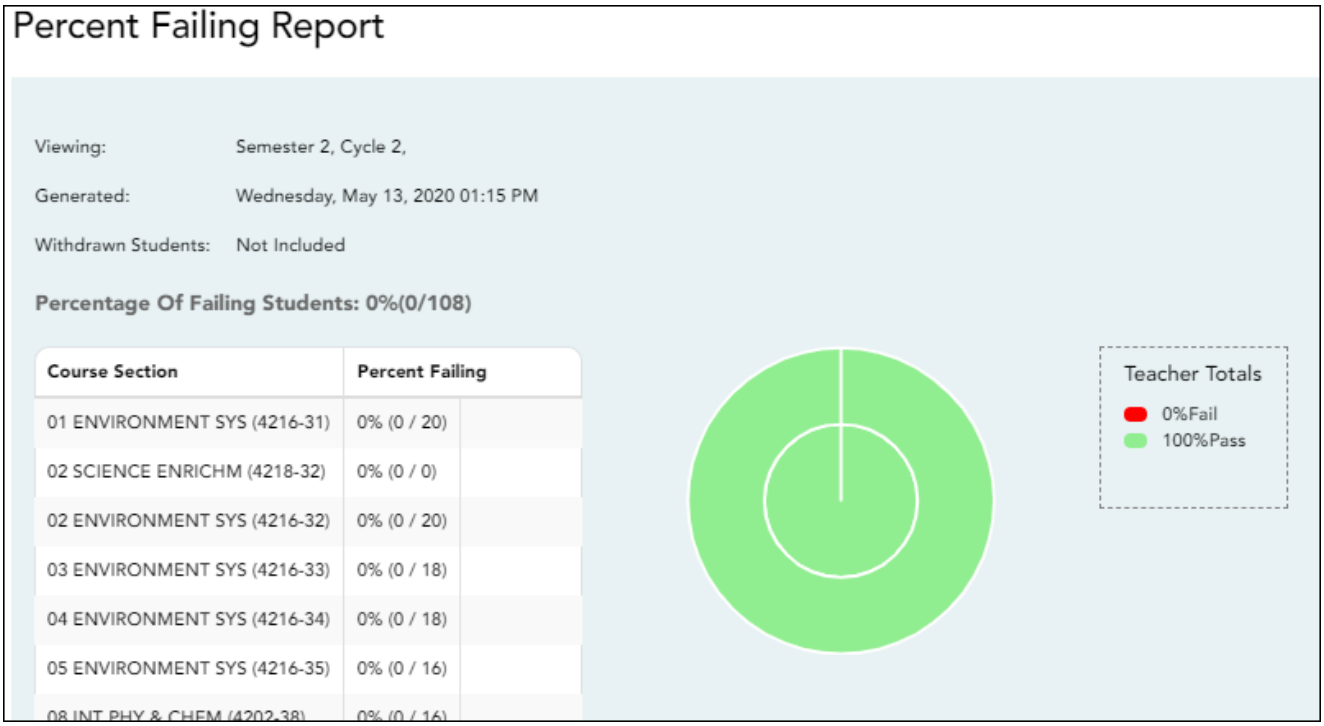
Reports > Percent Failing

Reports > Percent Failing

This report provides the percentage of a teacher's students who have a failing working cycle average for each class, as well as a total for all of the teacher's classes. The data can be displayed in a pie chart or grid format. Non-graded courses are not included.

Administrative users have the option to view the data for all teachers across the campus.

NOTE: Background colors may not automatically print, depending on your browser settings. For more information, click here.



❑ Specify report options:

Semester	The current semester is displayed. You can select a different semester.	
Cycle	The current cycle is displayed. You can select a different cycle.	
Viewing Options	**Include Withdrawn Students**	Withdrawn students are not automatically included. Select the field to include withdrawn students in the report.
	View Chart	Select to view the data in a pie chart as well as the grid format. If not selected, only the grid is displayed. The pie chart outer circle displays the data for all of the teacher's classes. If any of the teacher's students have failing averages, the pie chart inner circle displays a breakdown of failing students by class.
Admin Options	These fields are only displayed if you are logged on as an administrative user.	
	Across Campus	Select to view data for all teachers across the campus. Otherwise, grades are only displayed for the impersonated teacher's courses.
		Force page break between instructors — This field is enabled when **Across Campus** is selected. Select to include a page break between teachers.

❑ Click **Generate**.

- The report opens in a new window, and you can print the report from that window.
- The report selection page remains open on your desktop.

Reports > Missing Exam Grades

Reports > Missing Exam Grades

This report lists students who are missing semester exam grades. The report can only be run for campuses that require exams and have enabled the option for exams for high school courses. Otherwise, the message “Report not applicable to this campus” is displayed.

District and campus administrative users have the option to view the grades for all courses across the campus.

❑ Specify report options:

Semester	The current semester is displayed. You can select a different semester.

❑ Under **Admin Options:**
These fields are only displayed if you are logged on as an administrative user.

Across Campus Select to view missing exam grades for all courses across the campus. Otherwise, grades are only displayed for the impersonated teacher's courses.

View Course/Section & Instructor in Grid Format This field is enabled when **Across Campus** is selected.

If selected:

If **View Course/Section & Instructor in Grid Format** is selected, the report data is displayed in a grid format, and the course-section and teacher are listed in grid columns. The grid can be sorted by student name, course-section, or instructor name.

Sample:

Stu ID	Student Name	Course Nbr-Sec Course Name (period)	Teacher

If not selected:

If **View Course/Section & Instructor in Grid Format** is not selected, the report data is grouped by course-section. The report is similar to the report for non-administrative users; however, the teacher is listed for each course-section. For non-administrative users, the teacher is listed once at the top of the report.

Sample:

Course Nbr-Sec Course Name (period)
Teacher Name

Stu ID	Student Name

Course Nbr-Sec Course Name (period)
Teacher Name

Stu ID	Student Name

❑ Click **Generate**.

- The report opens in a new window, and you can print the report from that window.
- The report selection page remains open on your desktop.

Reports > Cycle Grade Range

Reports > Cycle Grade Range

The report displays cycle grades that fall within a specified range according to options entered.

- If a posted grade exists, the posted grade is used.
- If no posted grade exists, the override grade is used.
- If no override grade exists, the working cycle average is used.
- If no working cycle average exists, the auto grade is used.
- If no grade exists, the grade is blank.
- Administrative users have the option to view the grades for all courses across the campus.

❑ Specify report options:

Semester	The current semester is displayed. You can select a different semester.
Cycle	The current cycle is displayed. You can select a different cycle.
Course-Section	Select the course-section for which to print the report. The drop down lists the two-digit period and course name. The course number and section number are in parentheses.

❑ Under **Grade Selection Options**, select the range of grades to include in the report.

Grade Level	Specify the grade level to run the report for, or leave blank to run the report for all grade levels.
Show all Cycle Grades	Select to include all cycle grades. Blank and incomplete grades are excluded unless you select **Show Blank Grades** and/or **Show Incomplete Grades**.
Show all Cycle Grades between	Select to narrow the report to a specific range of grades, and type a maximum and minimum grade in the **Maximum grade** and **Minimum grade** fields. A note below the **Maximum grade** and **Minimum grade** fields indicates the highest failing cycle grade at the campus for your reference.
Show Blank Grades	Select to include blank grades on the report, regardless of the settings of the **Maximum grade** and **Minimum grade** fields.
Show Incomplete Grades	Select to include incomplete grades on the report, regardless of the settings of the **Maximum grade** and **Minimum grade** fields.

❑ Under **Viewing Options**:

View Student Names	Select to display the student names on the report. Otherwise, the names are not printed on the report, and students can only be identified by their student IDs. The student IDs are always displayed on the report.
View Current or All Course Section(s)	Select one: **Current** — Select to narrow grades to only course-sections for the current semester-cycle. **All** — Select to print grades for all course-sections.
View Current Cycle Grade	This field is only displayed for standards-based courses. For the Cycle Grade Range report, select this option to display the student's cycle average. If selected, the **Current Cycle Grade** column is printed on the report and displays a cycle average for the student that is not cumulative (as the **Cycle Grade** column is), and only takes into account the grades for the selected cycle. This is for informational purposes only.

❑ Under **Admin Options**:

These fields are only displayed if you are logged on as an administrative user.

Across Campus — Select to view grades for all courses across the campus. Otherwise, grades are only displayed for the selected course-section or for the impersonated teacher's courses.
NOTE: If you are impersonating a teacher for whom no courses are defined, the message "No courses defined" is displayed at the bottom of the page, and the fields are disabled. However, once you select **Across Campus**, the message is removed because it may not apply to all instructors at the campus, and the fields are enabled.

View Course/Section & Instructor in Grid Format — This field is enabled when **Across Campus** is selected.

If selected:

If **View Course/Section & Instructor in Grid Format** is selected, the report data is displayed in a grid format, and the course-section and teacher are listed in grid columns. The grid can be sorted by student name, course-section, teacher name, or cycle grade.

Sample:

Stu ID	Student Name	Period Course Name (Course Nbr-Sec) (Room #)	Teacher	Grade	Citizenship	Comments

If not selected:

If **View Course/Section & Instructor in Grid Format** is not selected, the report data is grouped by course-section. The report is similar to the report for non-administrative users; however, the teacher is listed for each course-section. For non-administrative users, the teacher is listed once at the top of the report.

Sample:

Period Course Name (Course Nbr-Sec) (Room #)
Teacher Name

Stu ID	Student Name	Grade	Citizenship	Comments

Period Course Name (Course Nbr-Sec) (Room #)
Teacher Name

Stu ID	Student Name	Grade	Citizenship	Comments

❑ Click **Generate**.

- The report opens in a new window, and you can print the report from that window.
- The report selection page remains open on your desktop.

Multipurpose Reports:

Reports > Special Programs

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This report is only available to users who log on to TeacherPortal with a district- or campus-level security administrator user ID, or to teachers who have access to run the special programs report.

This report lists of the special programs for each student in the class.

Only the special programs selected by the campus are included. If enabled, the **Generic** column appears in the report and displays program information.

❑ Specify report options:

Semester	The current semester is displayed. You can select a different semester.	
Course-Section	Select the course-section for which to print the report. The drop down lists the two-digit period and course name. The course number and section number are in parentheses.	
As Of Date	Type a date in the MMDDYYYY format. Or, or click to select a date from the calendar.	
Viewing Options	**View Student Names**	Select to display the student names on the report. Otherwise, the names are not printed on the report, and students can only be identified by their student IDs. The student IDs are always displayed on the report.
	View Current or All Course Section(s)	Select one: **Current** — Select to narrow student data to only course-sections for the current semester-cycle. **All** — Select to print student data for all course-sections.
	These options are disabled if you are logged on as an administrative user and select **Across Campus** under **Admin Options**.	

Admin Options	These fields are only displayed if you are logged on as an administrative user:

Across Campus	Select to view data for all courses across the campus. Otherwise, data is only displayed for the selected course-section or for the impersonated teacher's courses. If you are impersonating a teacher for whom no courses are defined, the message "No courses defined" is displayed at the bottom of the page, and the fields are disabled. However, once you select **Across Campus**, the message is removed because it may not apply to all teachers at the campus, and the fields are enabled.

View Without Course/Section & Instructor in Grid Format	This field is enabled when **Across Campus** is selected. If selected: If **View Without Course/Section & Instructor in Grid Format** is selected, the report data is displayed in a grid format, and the course-section and teacher are not displayed. The default sort is by student name; however, the grid can be re-sorted. *Sample:*

Student ID	Student Name	Grade	Special Program

If not selected:

If **View Without Course/Section & Instructor in Grid Format** is not selected, the report is grouped by course-section. The report is similar to the report for non-administrative users; however, the teacher is listed for each course-section. For non-administrative users, the teacher is listed once at the top of the report.

Sample:

Course Nbr-Sec
Teacher Name

Student ID	Student Name	Grade	Special Program

Course Nbr-Sec
Teacher Name

Student ID	Student Name	Grade	Special Program

❑ Click **Generate**.

- The report opens in a new window, and you can print the report from that window.
- The report selection page remains open on your desktop.

Reports > Student Groups Reports

Settings > Manage Student Groups

Group Manager (left grid)	Your existing groups are listed. Otherwise, the message “No Student Groups were found” is displayed.
Group Reports (right grid)	The available student group reports are listed; they are linked to the reports in the Reports > Student Group Reports submenu. Some of the group reports mirror other reports available in the Reports menu. If no groups exist, the message “No Student Groups Exist” is displayed in place of any reports.
Group Reports (left grid)	Click a report title to run the report for a student group: • The group Admin Student Grades page allows you to run the Admin Student Grades report for a student group. • The Attendance Summary report generates a summary report of student attendance for a specified student group. • The Student Grades Report (and UIL Eligibility) Report lists student working cycle averages for all of their courses, which allows you to determine UIL eligibility and locate students who may be at risk of losing eligibility. Courses in which the student has failing grades are shaded pink.

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First Day of School

IMPORTANT: Attendance is not taken on the first day of school. Students are not marked absent on the first day of school.

For campuses NOT using Student Activation/First Day Counts:

On the first day of school, teachers cannot use TeacherPortal to record or post attendance during the ADA period. You can only view and print data, and you must record attendance

manually on the printed sheets.

1. Click **Print** to print the attendance list for each period-course. The Attendance Roster Report Selection page opens allowing you to make selections for printing the Attendance Roster report.
2. Mark attendance on the list manually.
3. If you have students in a period who are not on the attendance list, print their names and student IDs in the rows provided at the bottom of the list.
4. Sign and date the list on the lines provided.

Student Activation/First Day Counts:

Activating students using this process allows you to identify No Show students and correctly enroll students who begin school after the first day of school. It also ensures that students who do show up for school have the proper enrollment dates for the district, campus, special programs, and first semester courses.

The primary way students are activated is by teachers recording attendance in TeacherPortal. Once teachers have marked and posted attendance, the campus staff can address the individual students who could not be activated by teachers.

All students are marked inactive before school starts. As you take attendance, the students are activated as they show up in class. After a period of time (determined by each campus), any student who has not been activated is considered a No Show.

The TeacherPortal Post/View Attendance displays differently during the activation window: Teachers mark present students as Activated rather than Present.

REMINDER: On the first day of school, a student cannot be marked as absent.

From this page, you can print the attendance list for each period-course (or the campus can supply a class roster). If a student shows up in a period who is not on the attendance list, you must write the student's name and ID either in the blank rows provided at the bottom of the list, or on the form provided by the district/campus, and submit to the campus office.

Last day for mass activation	During the activation window, this field is displayed above the attendance grid, which indicates the final date of the activation window. If there are students from multiple attendance tracks enrolled in the course, and the tracks have different ending dates for mass activation, all dates are displayed with the track number in parentheses.
Attendance	On the first day of school, in the **Attendance** column, the **Activate** and **Inactive** fields are displayed for all students instead of the **Absent** and **Present** fields. All students are set to **Inactive** by default.

Activate	Select on the first day-period the student is present. Activation is a one-time process. Once a student has been activated in any period by any teacher, the student is active for all remaining periods for the day, and subsequent teachers will mark attendance using the **Absent** and **Present** fields. The next period you have the student (either later in the day or the next class date), the **Absent**, **Tardy**, and **Present** fields will be displayed for the student. **NOTE:** Activated students are considered present and are included in the total number of students displayed in the **# Students** field at the bottom of the grid.
Inactive	If the student is not present, leave that student set to **Inactive** until they attend class. As long as the student is marked as **Inactive**, he is considered a No Show. You cannot mark attendance for an inactive student. Inactive students are not included in the total number of students displayed in the **# Students** field at the bottom of the grid. **NOTE:** If there are students from multiple attendance tracks enrolled in the course, and the tracks have different ending dates for mass activation, the track number is displayed in parentheses in the **Attendance** column.

❑ Click **Post**.

If you activate a student *after* the first day of school, but during the activation window, the following occurs:

- A No Show record is created for the student on the first day of school.
- An enrollment record is created with the entry date set to the student's activation date.
- The student's enrollment date in all courses on the campus for the semester is set to the activation date.
- The student's special program enrollment date(s) are set to the activation date, if applicable.
- If the student's original entry date has a current year date (i.e., the first day of school), the student's original entry date is changed to the activation date.

During the activation window, you may have a mix of activated and inactivated students in your

classes.

- Activated students will have the **Present/Absent/Tardy** options displayed.
- Inactive students will have the **Activate/Inactive** options displayed.

The Attendance Roster report will display the **Activate** and **Inactive** fields for students who have not yet been activated.

Once the activation window has ended:

Any students who remained inactive will have the message “Attendance Exempt” displayed in the **Attendance** column. Attendance cannot be marked for these students.

These students will no longer be displayed on the rosters once the campus has created the No Show records.

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Long-Term Substitute Teachers

Long-term substitute teachers can be granted access to use TeacherPortal on behalf of a teacher who is away for an extended period of time. When substitute teachers log in to TeacherPortal, they can select the teacher for whom they are substitute teaching. Then, the substitute teachers can proceed to use TeacherPortal as the teacher.

Prerequisites.

Before a long-term substitute teacher can access TeacherPortal, a substitute teacher record must already exist for him in TeacherPortal. These steps are covered in the TeacherPortal Administrator guide.

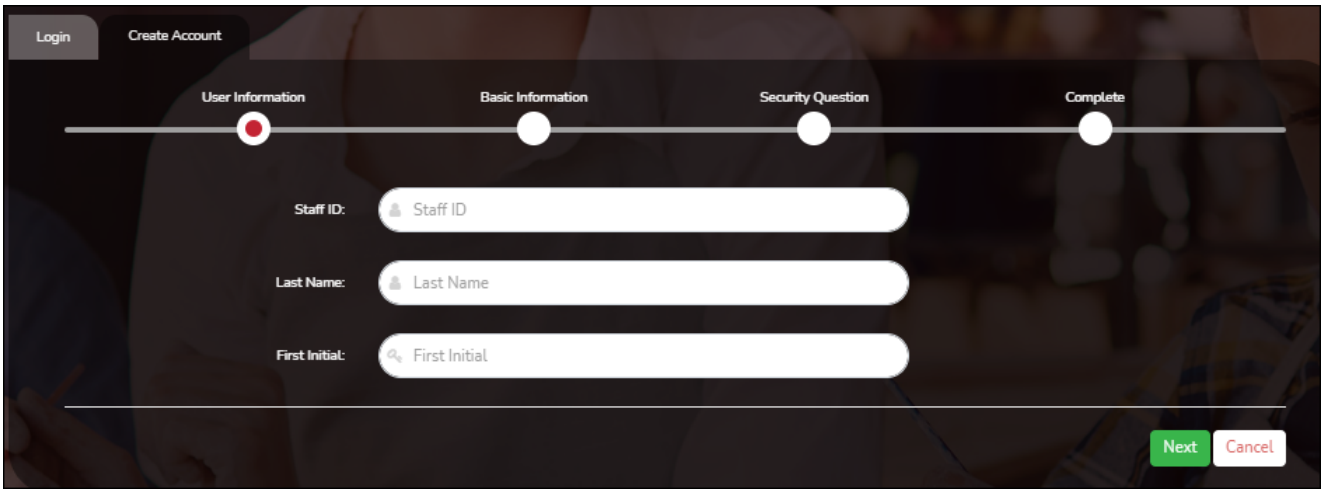
Create an ASCENDER TeacherPortal account.

A long-term substitute teacher must create a TeacherPortal account in order to log on to TeacherPortal. Substitute teachers will log on to TeacherPortal with their own accounts, rather than with the teacher's account.

❑ From the Login page, click **Create Account**. The User Information page is displayed.

To exit without saving any changes, click **Return to Login**.

User Information:

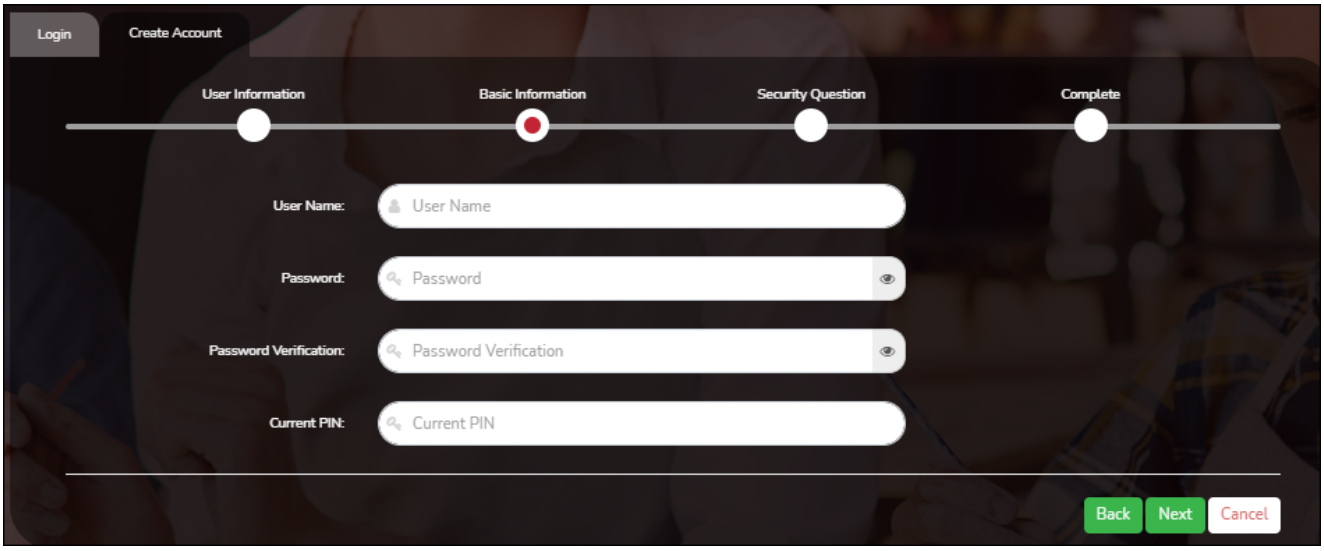


Staff ID	Type your staff ID number.
Last Name	Type your last name
First Initial	Type the first letter of your first name.

❑ Click **Next**.

If you entered the data correctly, the Basic Information step opens.

Basic Information:

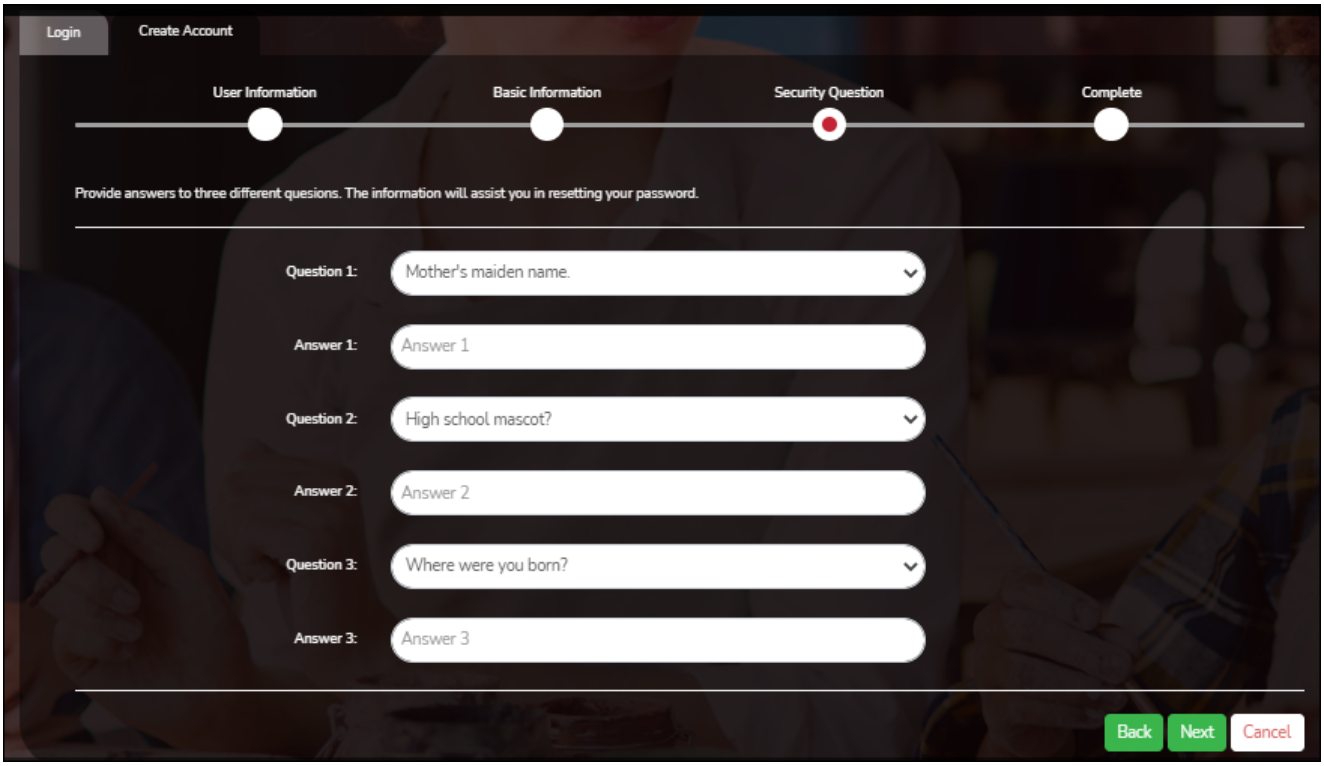


User Name	Type a unique user name that will identify you when you log on to the system, such as a combination of letters from your first and last name. • Your user name must be 6-25 alphanumeric characters and must be unique within the district. • Your user name is not case-sensitive. • If you type a name that is already used, available alternatives are suggested.
Password	Type a password that you will use when you log on to TeacherPortal. Requirements: Between 16 and 46 characters. Must include at least one of each of the following character types: • Uppercase letters (A–Z) • Lowercase letters (a–z) • Numbers (0–9) • At least one allowed special character
Password Verification	Retype the password exactly as you typed it above. This step confirms that you typed your password as you intended.
PIN	Type a four-digit numeric personal identification number (PIN) that you will use when you post data in TeacherPortal. **Avoid using 1234, 4321, or all the same number, as these are common and easily guessed.**

❑ Click **Next**.

If you entered all required data correctly, the Security Question step opens.

Security Question:



Question	Select three questions to which you will provide an answer. The questions are asked in the event that you forget your password. You must select three different questions. You cannot repeat any questions/answers.
Answer	Type the answer to each question. If you forget your password, you will be required to answer the question correctly in order to recover your account. Be sure to select questions for which you will easily remember your answer. Answers are case sensitive.

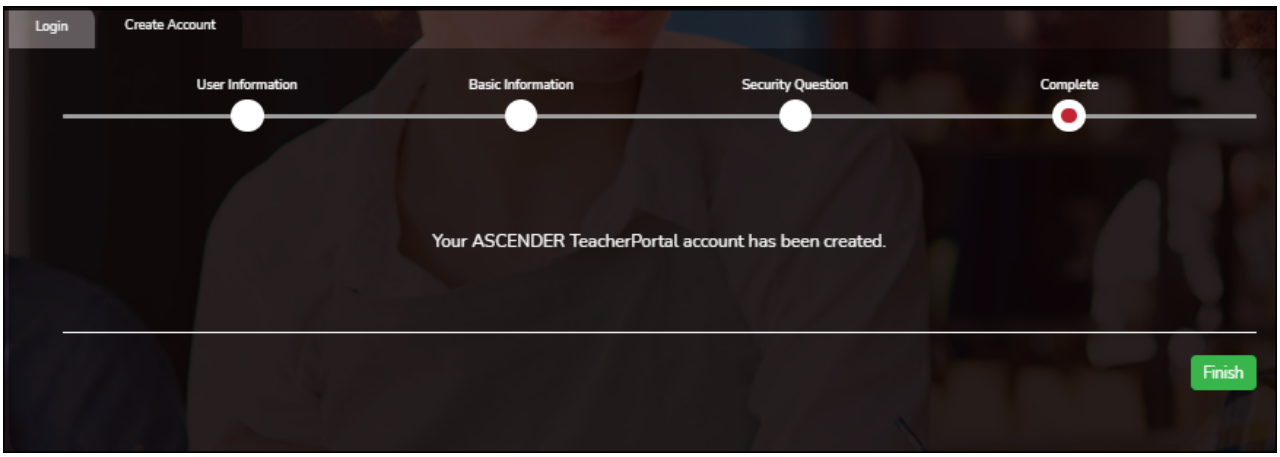
License Agreement

Review and accept the End User License Agreement (EULA) for ASCENDER. This agreement must be accepted in order to proceed.

❑ Select **Accept**.

❑ Click **Next**.

If you entered all required data, the Complete page opens.



❑ Click **Finish**.

The Announcements page opens.

Log on to TeacherPortal.

Substitute teachers must log on using their own credentials.

If you are continuing from the previous step and are already logged on, you can skip this step.

If you are not already logged on, you must log on to TeacherPortal using the user name and password created in the previous step. Once you are logged on, you can access the pages for the remaining steps.

User Name	Type your user name. Your user name is not case-sensitive.
Password	Type your password. The typed text is hidden. Your password is case sensitive.

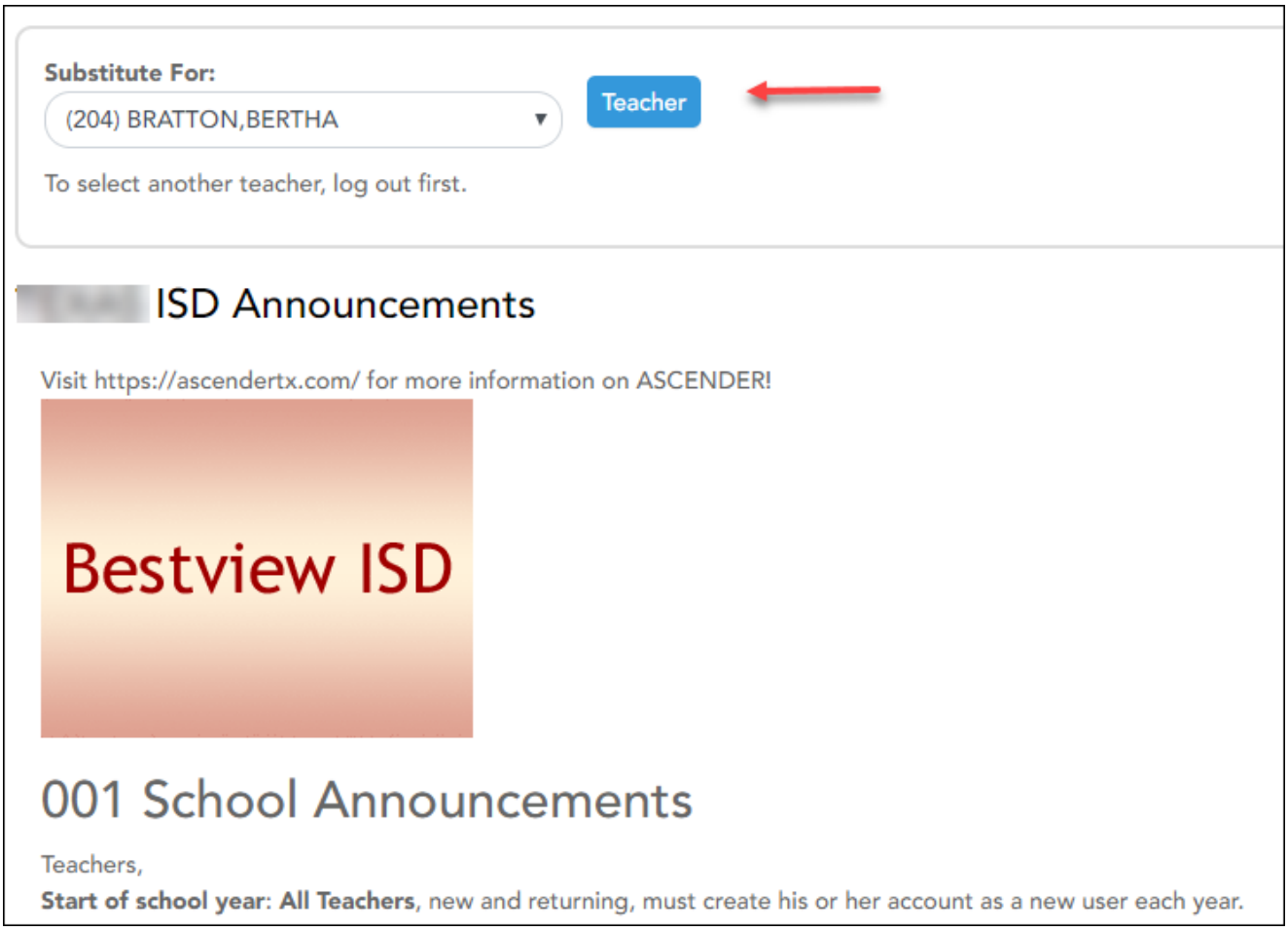
❑ Click **Login**.

The Announcements page is displayed.

For security purposes, your password will expire periodically. If your password is expired, you are redirected to the Password Expired page before the Announcements page is displayed. Follow the instructions provided in the online Help for the Password Expired page.

Specify the teacher.

When you log in to TeacherPortal, the Announcements page is the first page displayed. From here, you must specify the teacher you are substitute teaching for. You must select the teacher each time you log in.



❑ In the **Substitute For** field, select the teacher you are substitute teaching for.

- Only teachers you are assigned to teach for are listed.
- The beginning and ending dates also determine which teachers are listed.

  If the beginning date is in the future, the teacher is not listed until the current date is within the range of dates specified. Once the current date is past the substitute's ending date, the teacher is no longer listed.

❑ Click **Teacher**.

A message is displayed indicating that you are now substitute teaching for the selected teacher. The teacher's three-digit control number is also provided.

NOTE: Once you have selected a teacher, the Update Profile page is no longer available. See the Update Profile Settings section below for information about how to update your profile settings.

❑ To select another teacher, you must log out, and log in again.

Use TeacherPortal as the teacher.

When logged in as a long-term substitute teacher, you can maintain and print most data that the teacher would be able to access, including attendance, assignments, grades, discipline, and reports.

For assistance with these pages, view the online Help for each page.

As you update and post data in the database tables, be aware that the teacher's name will be associated with some actions, and the substitute teacher's name will be associated with other actions.

- If you mark grades as ready to post, the teacher's name is reflected.
- If you post attendance, the teacher's name is reflected.
- If you enter a discipline referral, the substitute's name is reflected.

Update profile settings as needed.

Once you have selected a teacher from the Announcements page, the Settings > Update Profile page is no longer available.

❑ If you need to make changes to your profile, you must log out, and then log in and access the Update Profile page before selecting a teacher.

For assistance with the fields on the page, view the online Help.

Reports:

Generate seating chart report.

Reports > Seating Charts

This report prints a teacher's seating charts for all periods or one period. For each period, the seating chart is displayed followed by a list of students who are not assigned to seats. The seating chart lists the student name, gender, and ID.

If printed for all periods, each period prints on a separate page.

NOTE: If that field has been changed, and the seating charts have not been re-saved on Settings > Manage Charts since the setting was changed, a warning message is displayed when the report is generated indicating that the reports will not be accurate until the Manage Seating Charts page has been re-saved. You must review the seating chart for each period on the Manage Seating Charts page, make any necessary changes, and then re-save each chart.

❑ Specify report options:

Semester	The current semester is displayed. You can select a different semester.
Period	Select the period-course(s) to print the seating chart for, or select *ALL CLASSES* to print seating charts for all periods. If **Combine Courses in Attendance** is selected on your Settings > Update Profile page, the courses are combined by period.
width	Select the width setting for the report. **Fixed Seat Width**: Select to print a report in which all seats are the same width. This setting works for small and average-size classes. For larger classes, some seats may not print on the page. **Auto-Adjusted Seat Width**: Select to print a report in which each column is adjusted to the student name. Each column is only wide enough to accommodate the longest name in the column; therefore, some columns are wider than others. This setting is a better option for larger classes. For either width setting, you can adjust the orientation when you print. Select **Landscape** to increase the number of students that fit on the page.
Show Pictures	Select to display student photos in the seating chart. Photos are only available if they have been added by the district.

❑ Click **Generate**.

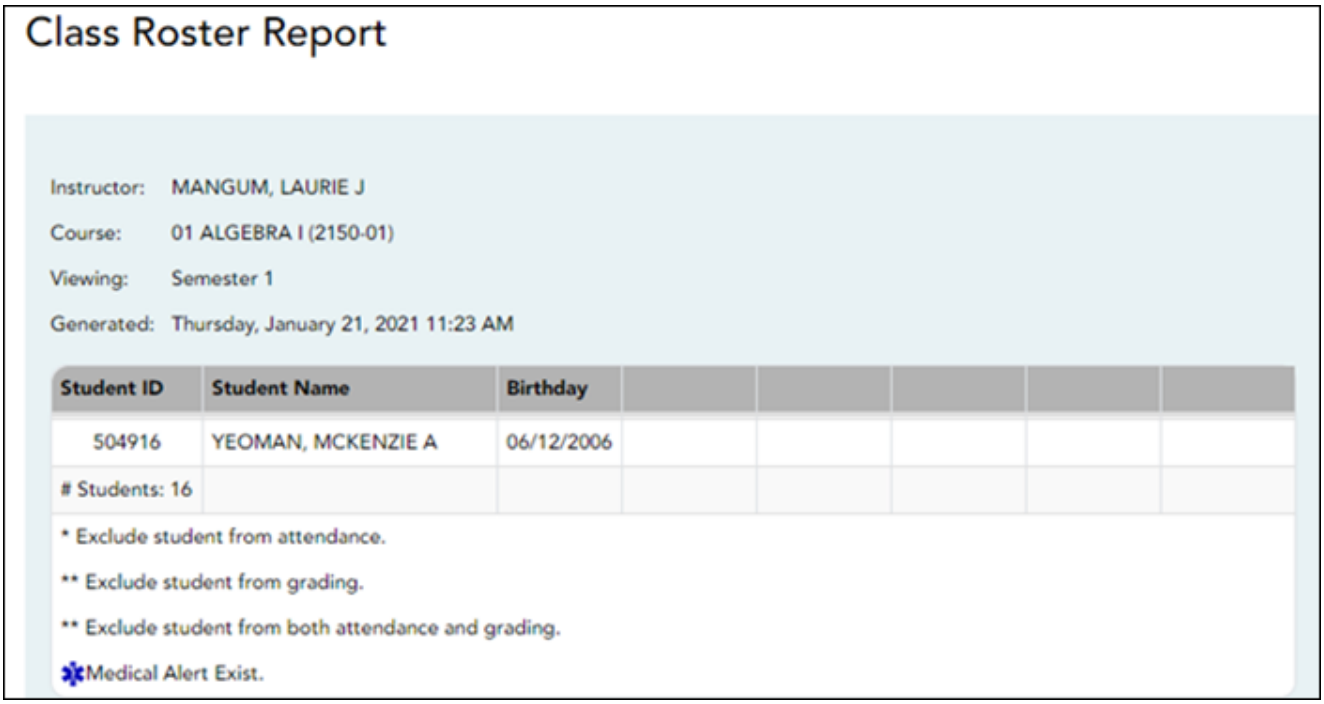
- The report opens in a new window, and you can print the report from that window.
- The report selection page remains open on your desktop.

Generate class roster report.

Reports > Class Roster

This report provides a blank class roster by semester and course, including a list of students enrolled in the course and up to 50 blank columns. You can choose the sort order and whether to include the student's birth date and contact information. The report can be exported in CSV format.

If you print the report for a course group, the **Course Section** column is included allowing you to identify the course-section in which the student is enrolled.



Class Roster Report

Instructor: MANGUM, LAURIE J
Course: 01 ALGEBRA I (2150-01)
Viewing: Semester 1
Generated: Thursday, January 21, 2021 11:23 AM

Student ID	Student Name	Birthday					
504916	YEOMAN, MCKENZIE A	06/12/2006					
# Students: 16							

* Exclude student from attendance.
** Exclude student from grading.
** Exclude student from both attendance and grading.
Medical Alert Exist.

❑ Specify report options:

Semester	The current semester is displayed. You can select a different semester.
Course-Section	Select the course-section and period for which to print the report. The drop down lists the two-digit period and course name. The course number and section number are in parentheses. If course groups have been created on the Course Grouping page, the groups are listed as well as the individual courses.
Columns	Type the number of blank columns to display on the report, up to 50.

Display Options	**Birthday**	Select to include the student's birth date. The **Birthday** column will be included in the report.
	Student Email	Select to include the student's email address.
	Contact Information	Select to include the student's contact information. The **Contact Information** columns will be included in the report, and all of the student's contacts are listed. The contact's name, relationship, cell phone, home phone, business phone, other phone, mailing address, and e-mail address are listed.
	Guardian Last Viewed IPR/Report Card Date	Select to include the date on which a parent/guardian last viewed the student's interim progress report (IPR) or report card online.
Sorting Options	Indicate the order in which to sort the report data. You can sort by student name (last name), Student ID, course-section (for course groups), birth date (if included), or custom student order. Custom student order is the order specified for the course-section on Settings > Arrange Student Order.	

❑ Click **Generate**.

- The report opens in a new window, and you can print the report from that window.
- The report selection page remains open on your desktop.

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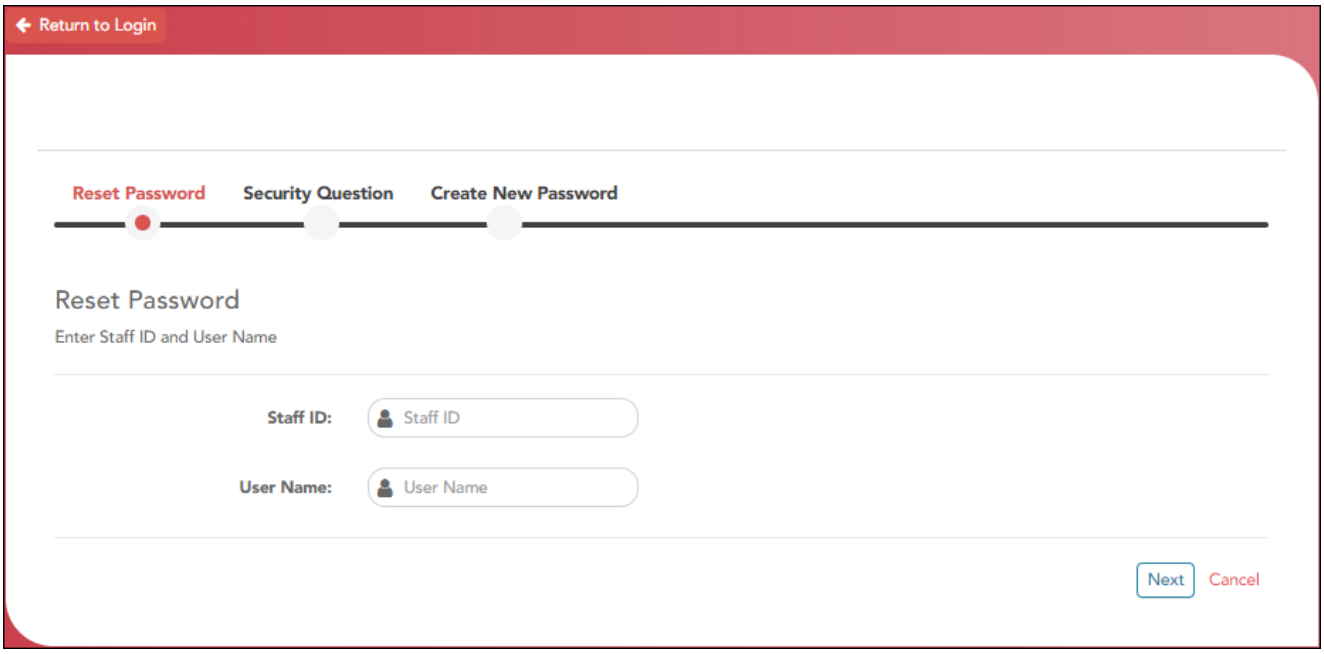
Update Your TeacherPortal Account

Reset forgotten password.

The Reset Password page allows you to reset a forgotten password or change your password. To reset your password, you must know your staff ID, user ID, and the correct answer to one of your password hint questions; otherwise, you must contact your campus administrator to have your account reset.



❑ From the Login page, click **Reset Password**.

The Reset Password page opens.

❑ To exit the Reset Password function without saving any changes, click **Return to Login**.

Reset Password

Staff ID	Type your six-digit district-assigned staff ID number.
User Name	Type the user name you created when you registered for TeacherPortal.

❑ Click **Next**.

If you entered the data correctly, the Security Question step opens.

Security Question:

Answer	One of your hint questions is displayed, as established in your User Profile. Type the answer to your hint question exactly as it appears in your profile.

❑ Click **Next**.

If you entered the data correctly, the Create New Password step opens.

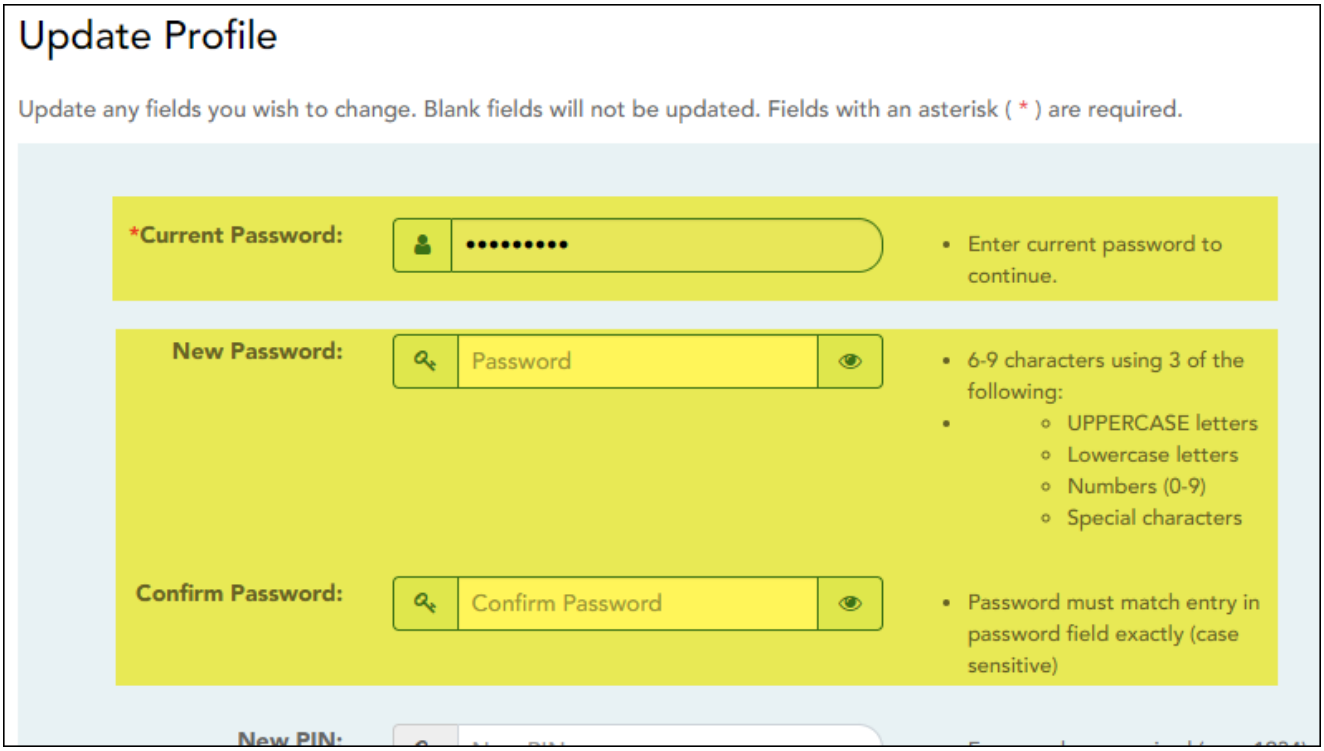
Create New Password:

Password	Type a new password. You cannot reuse your last password. Requirements: Between 16 and 46 characters. Must include at least one of each of the following character types: • Uppercase letters (A–Z) • Lowercase letters (a–z) • Numbers (0–9) • At least one allowed special character
Confirm Password	Retype the password exactly as you typed it above. This step confirms that you typed your password as you intended.

❑ Click **Finish**.

Change password.

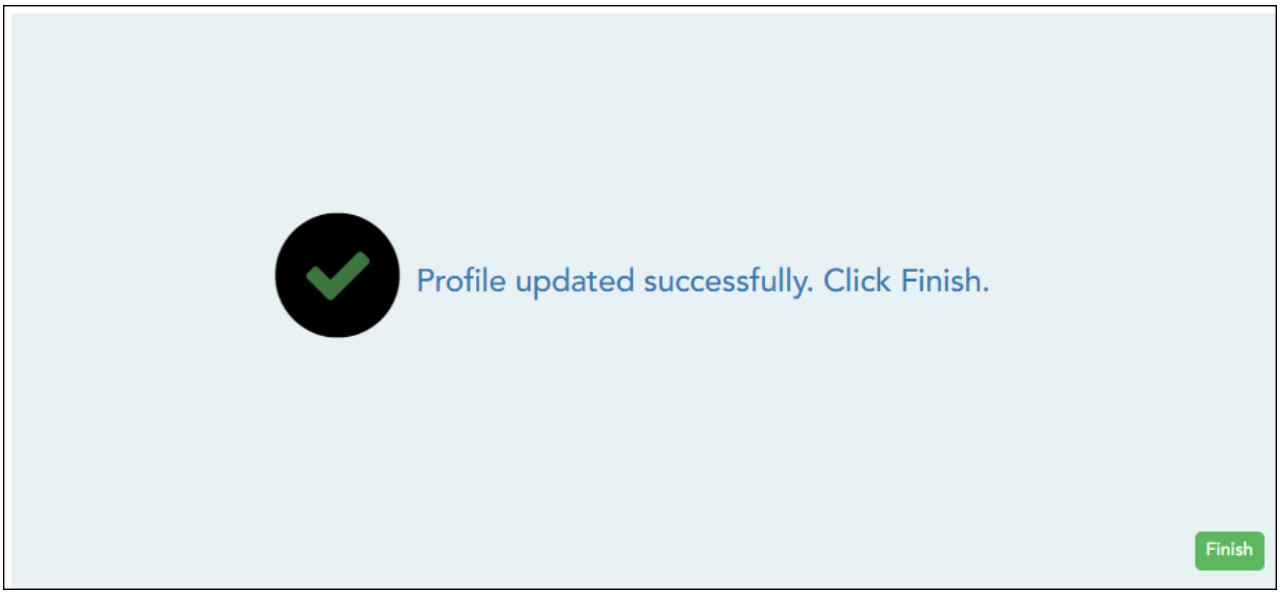
Settings > Update Profile



Current Password	For added protection of this information, you must type your current password to update data on the Update Profile, even though you have already logged on to TeacherPortal. **IMPORTANT:** If you have three unsuccessful attempts to access the page (invalid password), you will be logged out of your account. If this occurs, contact your campus administrator to have your account reset. To exit without saving any changes, click Home or any other menu item to go to another page.
New Password	To change your password, type a new password. Requirements: Between 16 and 46 characters. Must include at least one of each of the following character types: • Uppercase letters (A–Z) • Lowercase letters (a–z) • Numbers (0–9) • At least one allowed special character
Confirm Password	Retype the password exactly as you typed it above. This step confirms that you typed your password as you intended.

❑ Click **Next**.

If you did not select **Update Hint Questions**, the Success page is displayed.

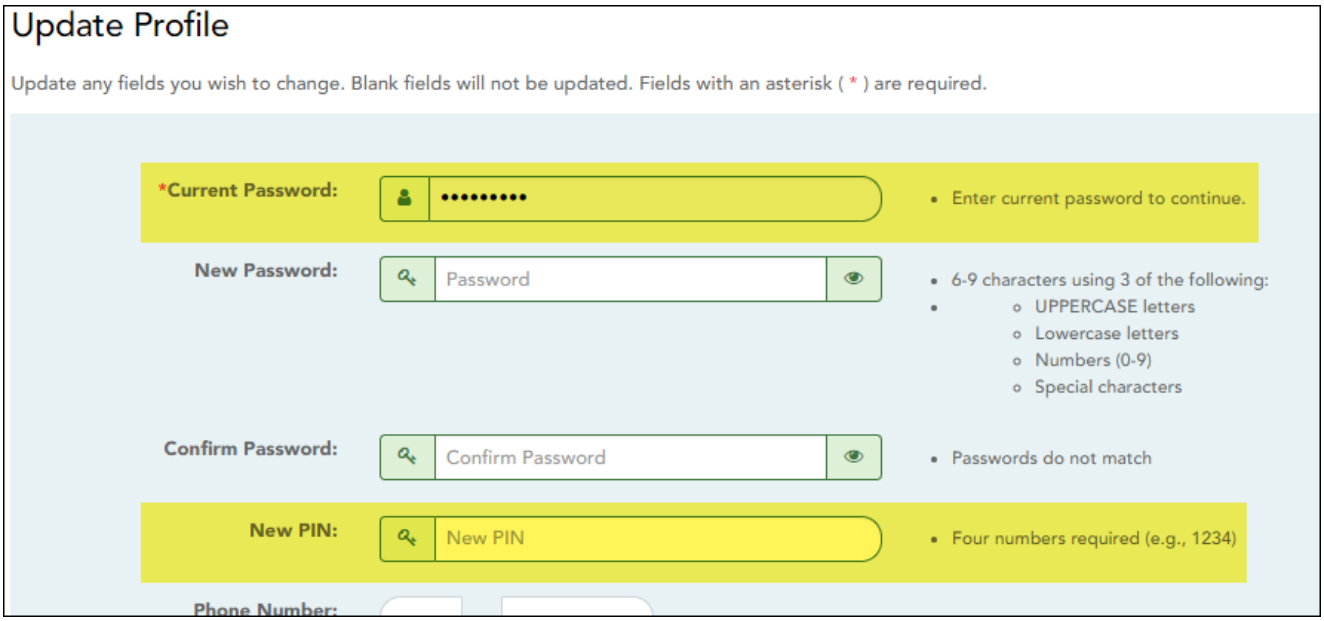


❑ Click **Finish**.

You are redirected to the Announcements page.

Update PIN.

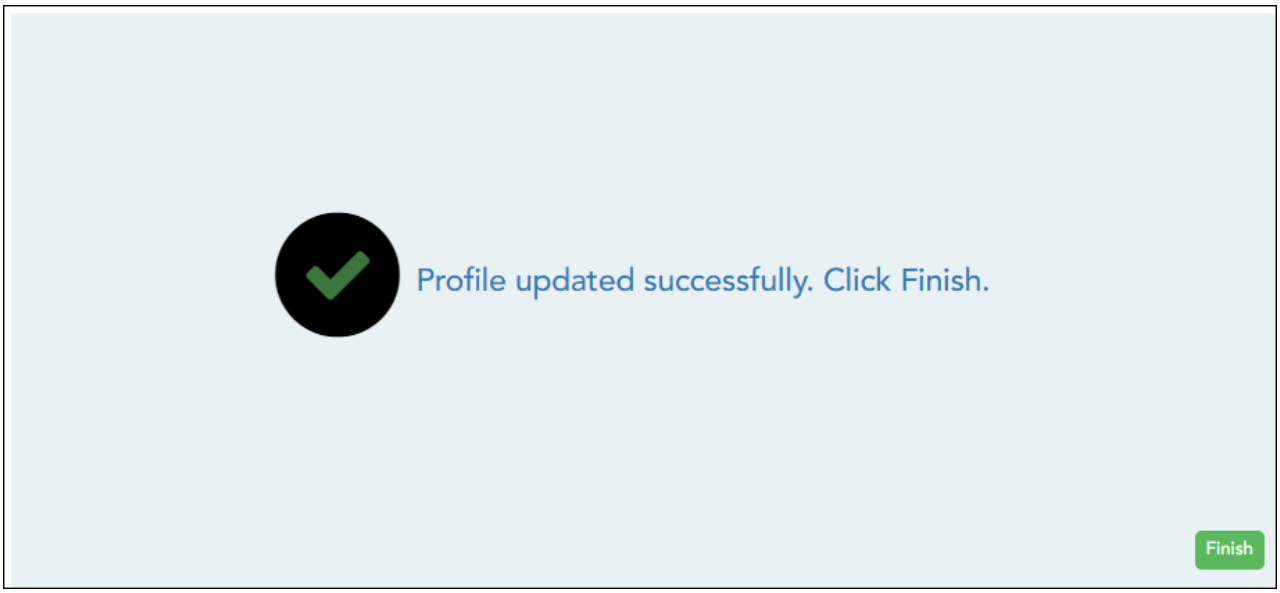
Settings > Update Profile



Current Password	For added protection of this information, you must type your current password to update data on the Update Profile, even though you have already logged on to TeacherPortal. **IMPORTANT:** If you have three unsuccessful attempts to access the page (invalid password), you will be logged out of your account. If this occurs, contact your campus administrator to have your account reset. To exit without saving any changes, click Home or any other menu item to go to another page.
New PIN	To change your PIN, type a new four-digit number. It is recommended that you do not choose 1234 or 4321, as these are common and easily guessed.

❑ Click **Next**.

If you did not select **Update Hint Questions**, the Success page is displayed.

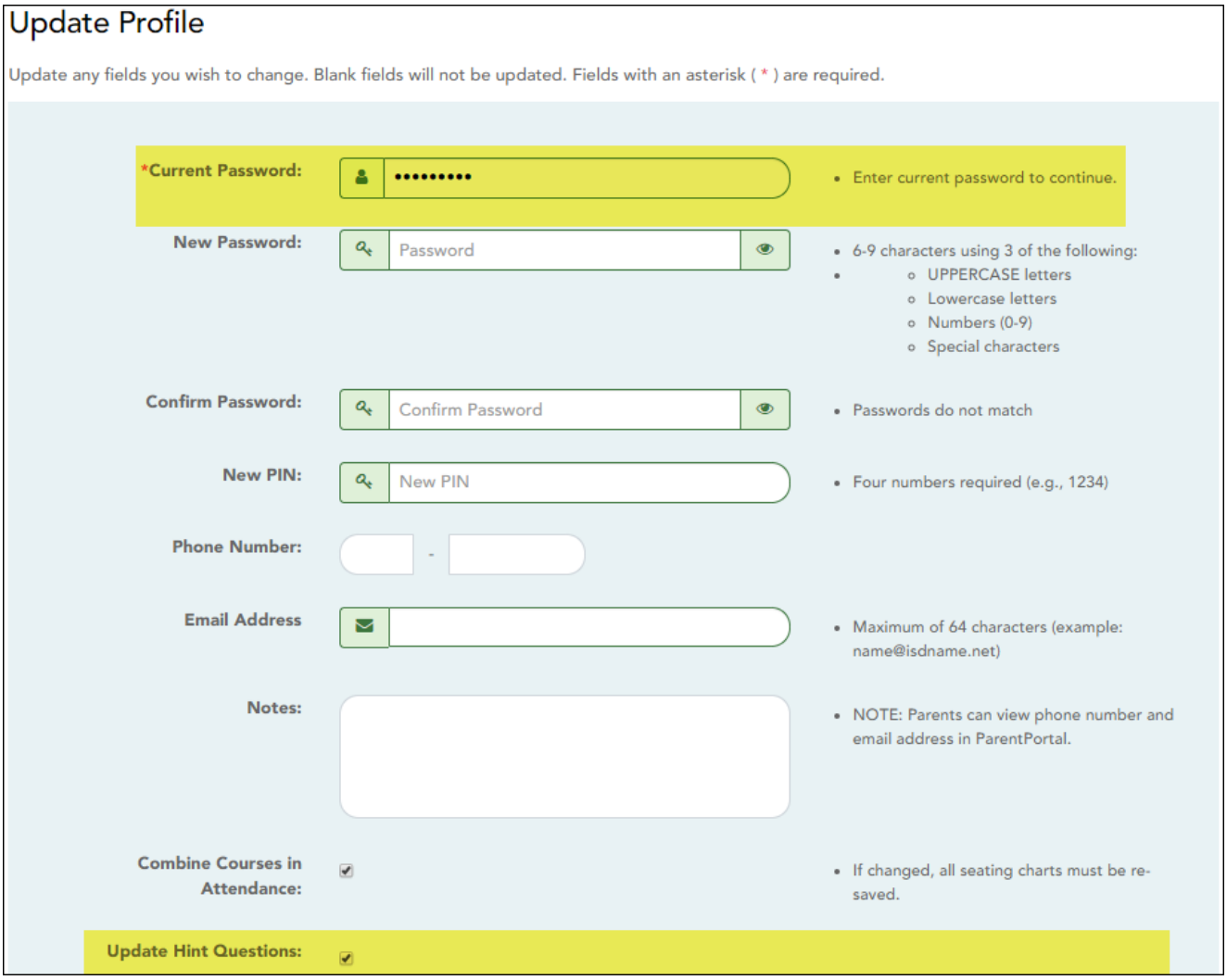


❑ Click **Finish**.

You are redirected to the Announcements page.

Update hint questions.

Settings > Update Profile



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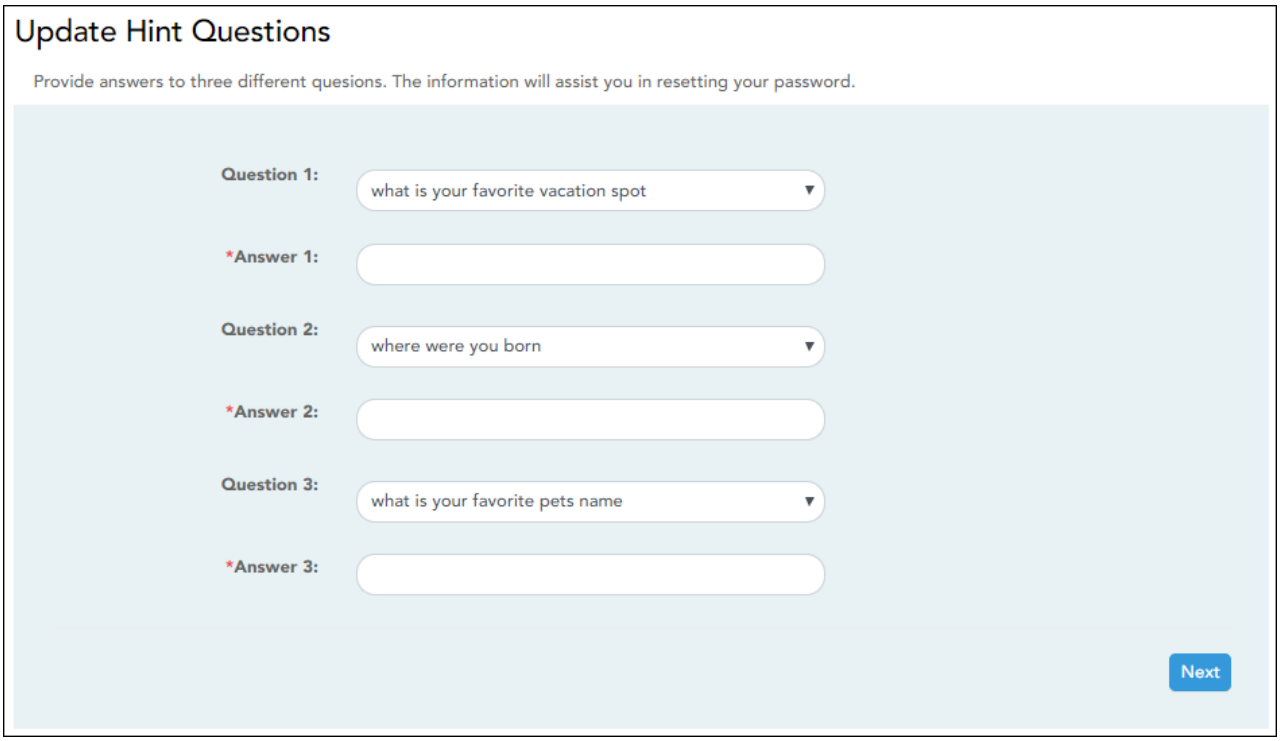
Update Hint Questions	Select if you want to update your hint questions. The questions are updated on the next page when you click **Next**.

❑ Click **Next**.

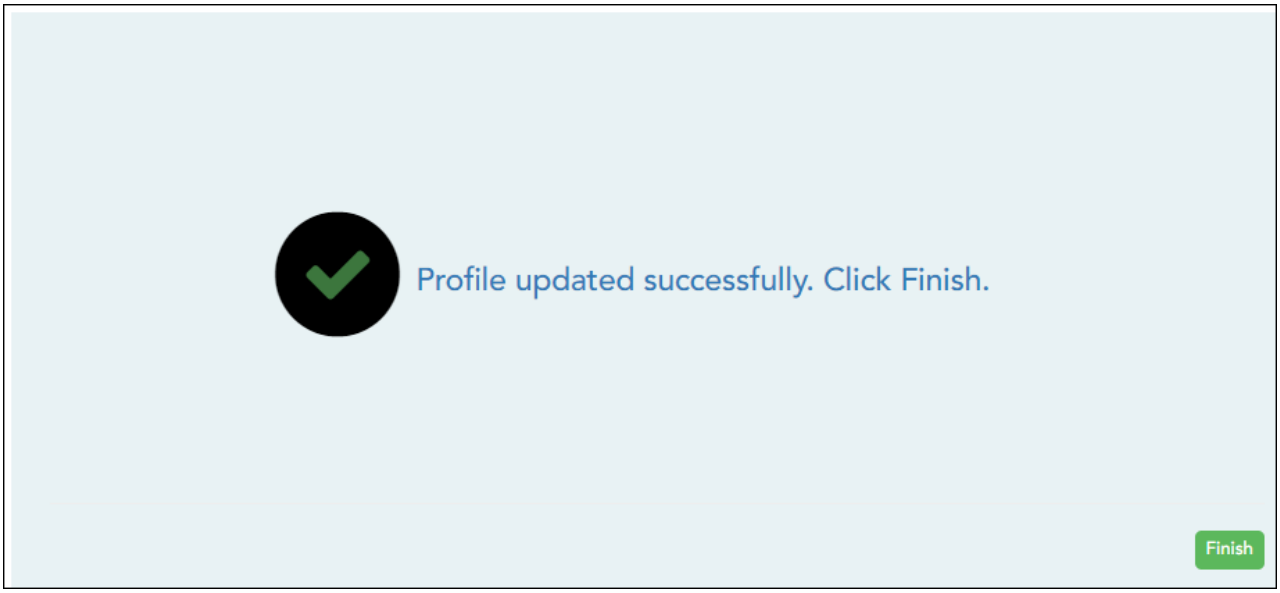
If you selected **Update Hint Questions**, the next page allows you to update your hint questions.



Question #	Select one of the hint questions for each field. You must select three different questions.
Answer #	Type the answer to the question you selected. You cannot repeat any questions/answers.

❑ Click **Next**.

The Success page is displayed.

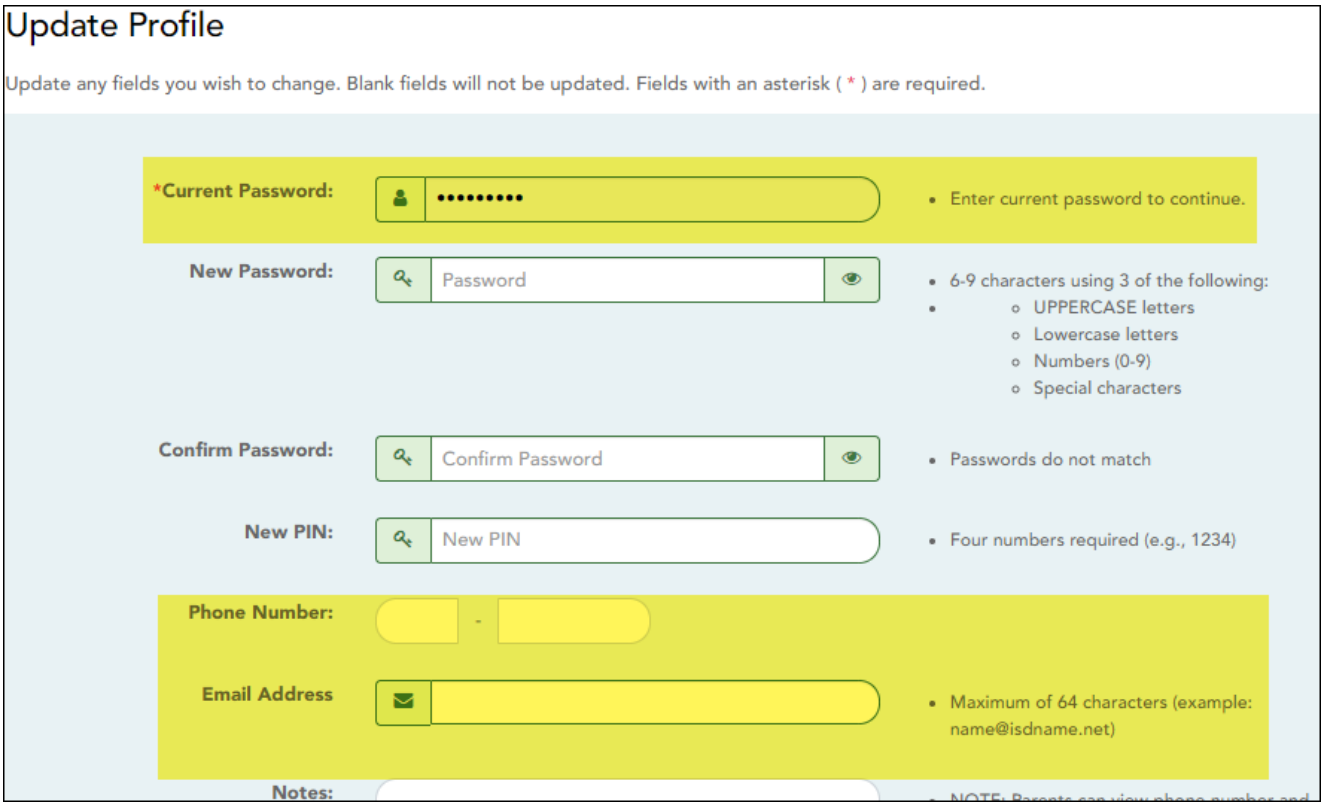


❑ Click **Finish**.

You are redirected to the Announcements page.

Update phone and email address.

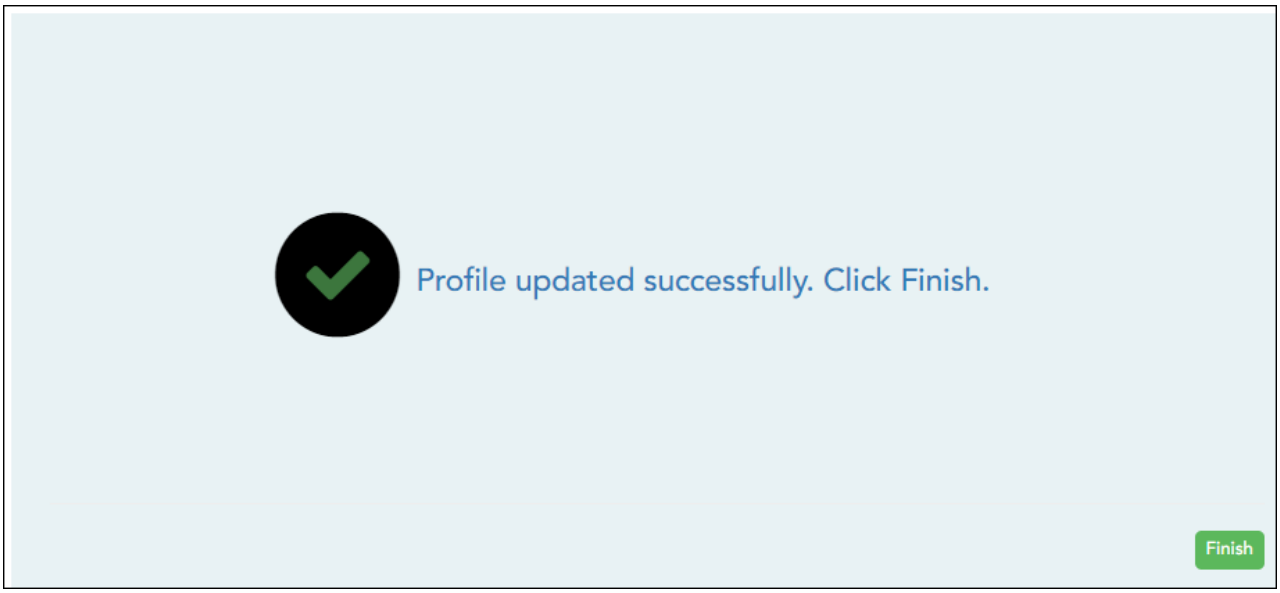
Settings > Update Profile



Current Password	For added protection of this information, you must type your current password to update data on the Update Profile, even though you have already logged on to TeacherPortal. **IMPORTANT:** If you have three unsuccessful attempts to access the page (invalid password), you will be logged out of your account. If this occurs, contact your campus administrator to have your account reset. To exit without saving any changes, click Home or any other menu item to go to another page.
Phone Number	To provide your telephone number to parents in ParentPortal, type the number in the NNN-NNNNNNN format. If blank, your phone number will not be provided in ParentPortal.
Email Address	To provide your email address to parents in ParentPortal, type the address (e.g., someone@example.net). If blank, your email address will not be provided in ParentPortal.

❑ Click **Next**.

If you did not select **Update Hint Questions**, the Success page is displayed.



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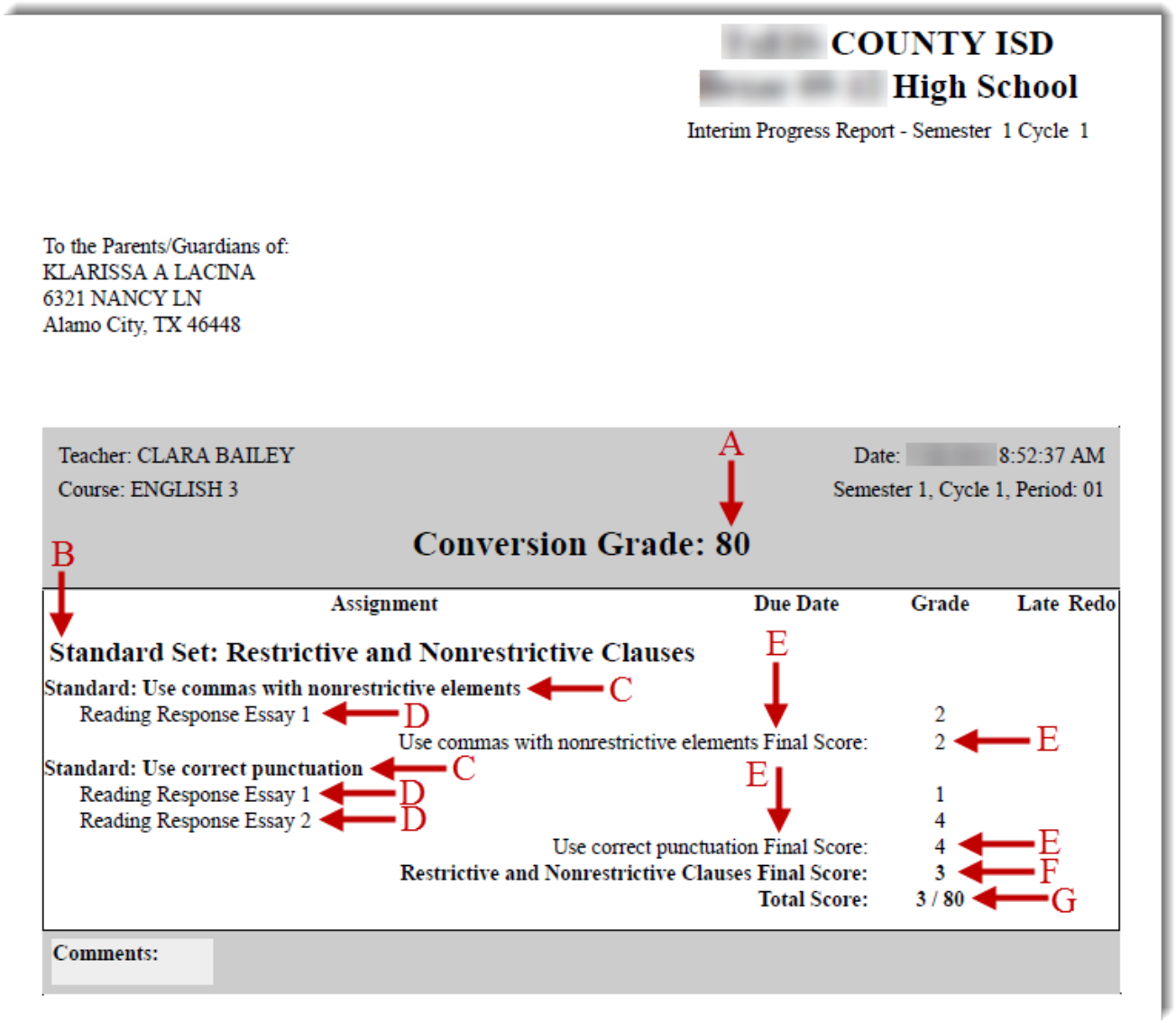
Standards-Based Grading

Standards-Based IPR components:



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Interim Progress Report - Semester 1 Cycle 1

To the Parents/Guardians of:
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Teacher: CLARA BAILEY
Course: ENGLISH 3
Date: [redacted] 8:52:37 AM
Semester 1, Cycle 1, Period: 01

A

Conversion Grade: 80

B

Assignment	Due Date	Grade	Late	Redo
Standard Set: Restrictive and Nonrestrictive Clauses				
Standard: Use commas with nonrestrictive elements ← C				
Reading Response Essay 1 ← D		2		
	Use commas with nonrestrictive elements Final Score:	2 ← E		
Standard: Use correct punctuation ← C				
Reading Response Essay 1 ← D		1		
Reading Response Essay 2 ← D		4		
	Use correct punctuation Final Score:	4 ← E		
	Restrictive and Nonrestrictive Clauses Final Score:	**3** ← F		
	Total Score:	**3 / 80** ← G		

Comments:

The semester and cycle are displayed at the top of the IPR. However, the final scores and calculated average are cumulative for the semester.

For standards-based courses, the following is included on a student's IPR:

A - Conversion Grade: The grade that appears on Grades > Cycle Grades in the Average column is displayed. It is the student's average to date. The average is cumulative for the semester, even though assignment grades are only displayed for the selected semester-cycle.

B - Standard Set: The set of standards with which the graded standard is associated is displayed.

C - Standard: The standard is displayed.

D - Assignment Name: The assignment associated with the standard is displayed. The grade for each assignment is displayed in the grade column. The assignment grades are displayed for the selected semester-cycle only.

E - Final Score: A final score is displayed for each standard. The score displayed is the highest score of the following:

- The student’s current average for the standard, which is calculated by adding all scores for all assignments associated with the standard, and dividing by the number of assignments.
- The student’s score as calculated using the power law computation.
- If an override grade is entered, the override grade is always displayed.

F - Final Score (standard set): A final score is displayed for each standard set. This is the average of all final scores for each standard. The final standard set score reflects standard set scores for all cycles in the semester, even though only one cycle is displayed at a time. The average does not include scores of zero, unless zero is a valid grade for the campus. The final standard set score is rounded to one decimal place.

G - Total Score: Thi average of all standard set final scores is displayed, which takes into account all cycles in the semester. This grade is converted to a standard 100%-based grade using a conversion chart established by the district (e.g., 3/80, where 3 is the student’s total score, and 80 is the student’s converted grade).