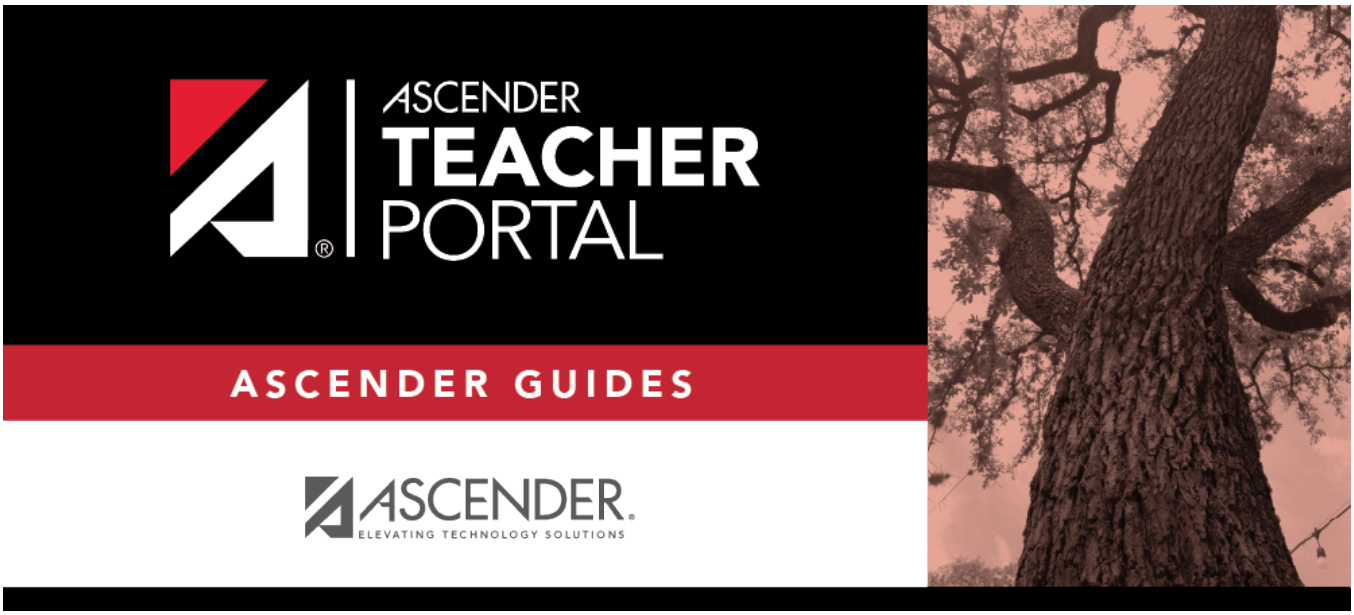


# Mid-Cycle Tasks

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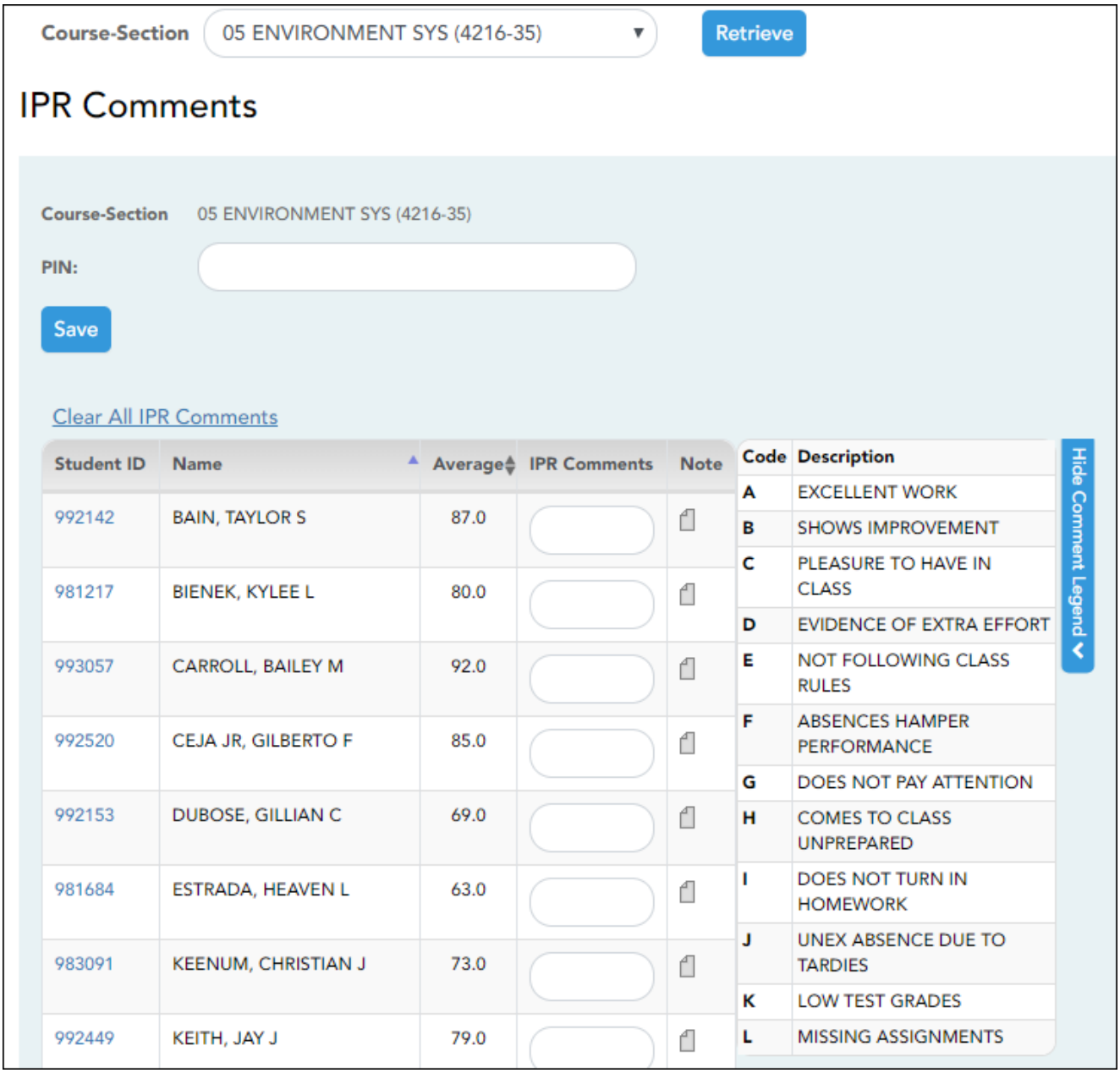
Enter IPR comments.

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:

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| **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.)

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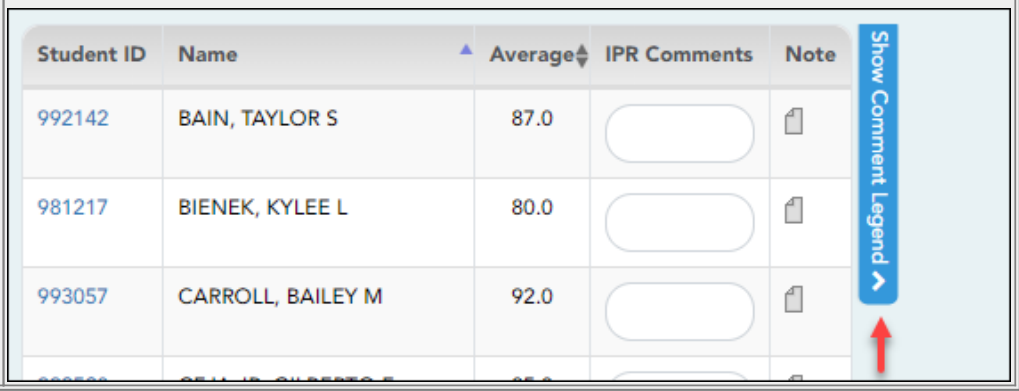
| **Student ID** | The student's ID is displayed. Click the student ID to view the student's profile. |
| **Average** | The student's working cycle average is displayed. For more information on calculating averages, view the online Help for **Weighting Type** on Settings > Manage Categories. |
| **IPR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

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

### Save data:

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| **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.

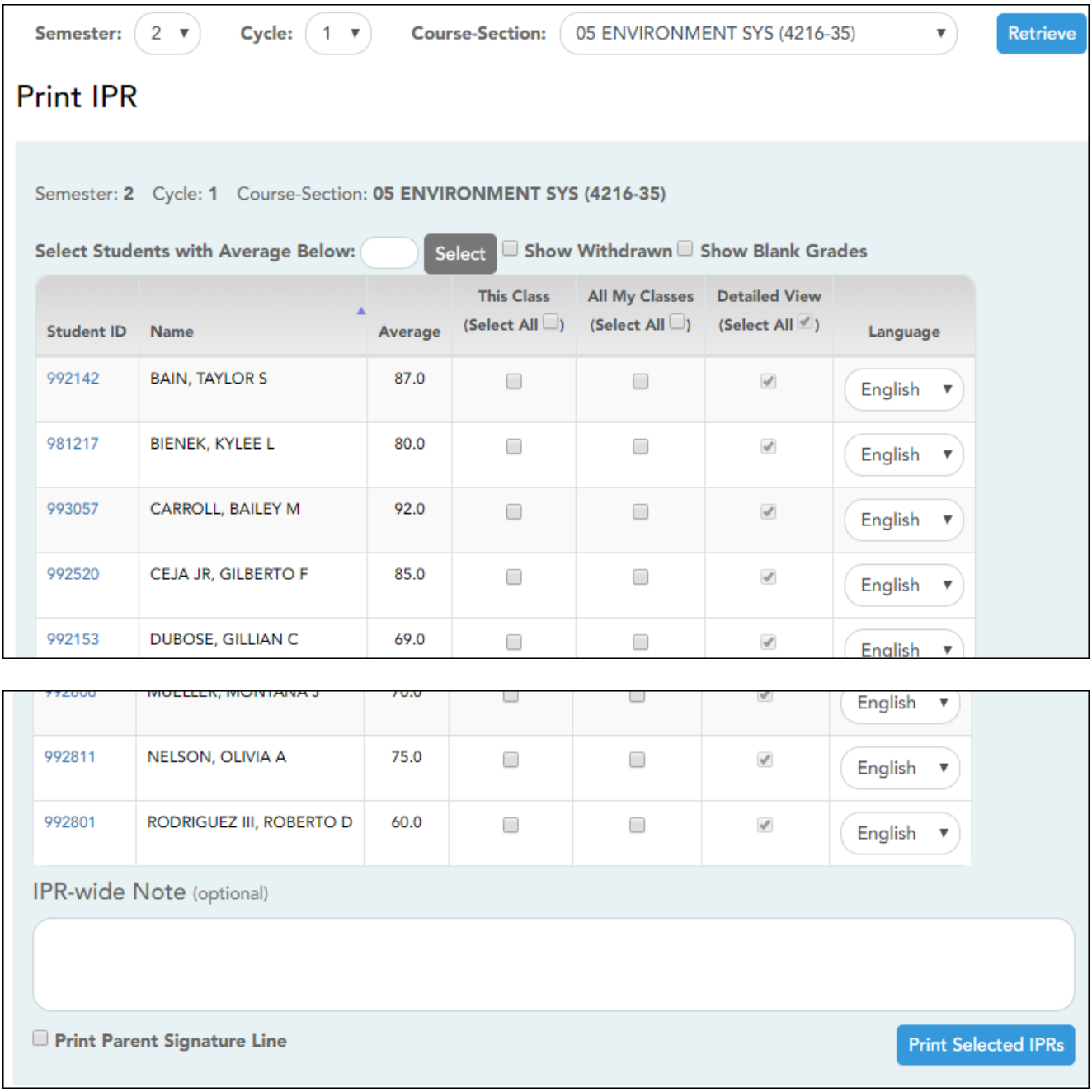
To print IPRs for the selected students, go to Grades > Print IPR. Follow the instructions provided in the online Help for the page.

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:

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| **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.<br><br>If the course is marked as ready to post on Grades > Cycle Grades, the message "[READY]" is displayed next to the course.<br><br>**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.

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| **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. |

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| **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:

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| **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. |

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| **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.<br>**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.<br><br>The summary IPR only includes the course name, period, current average, and comments.<br><br>The detail IPR includes assignments and assignment grades, assignment due dates, posted and calculated average, previously posted cycle averages, comments, grading type, and more.<br>**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.<br><br>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. |

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| **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. |

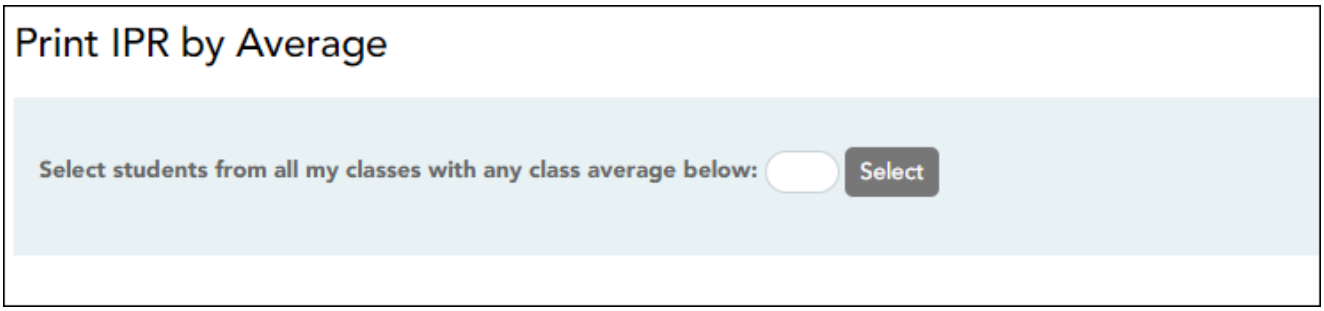
❑ Click **Print Selected IPRs**.

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:

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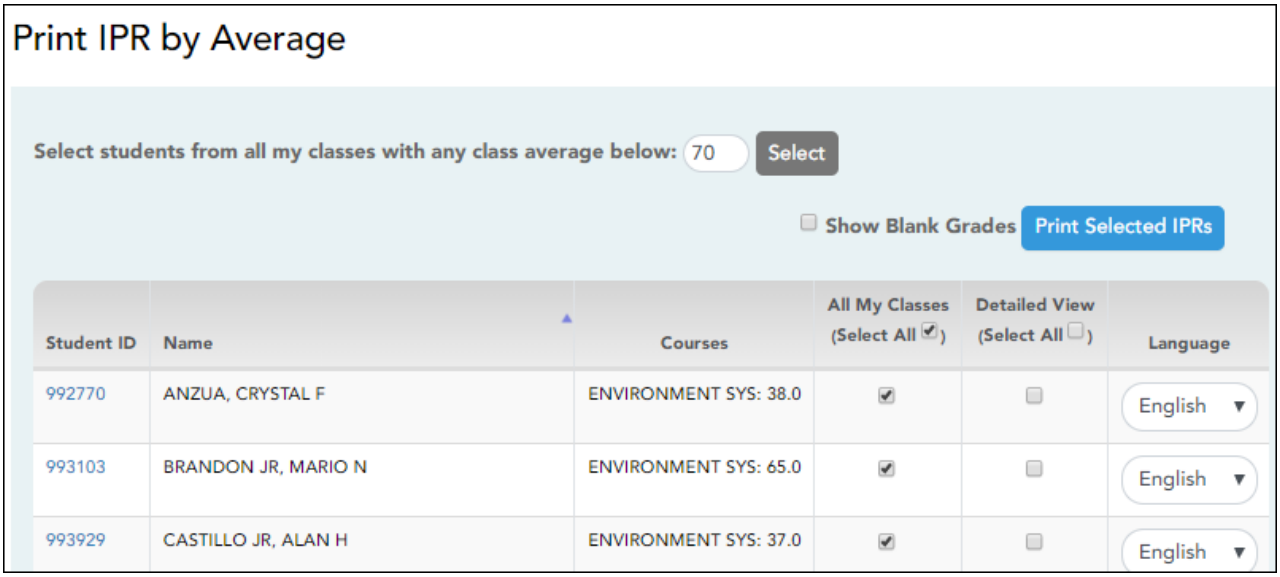
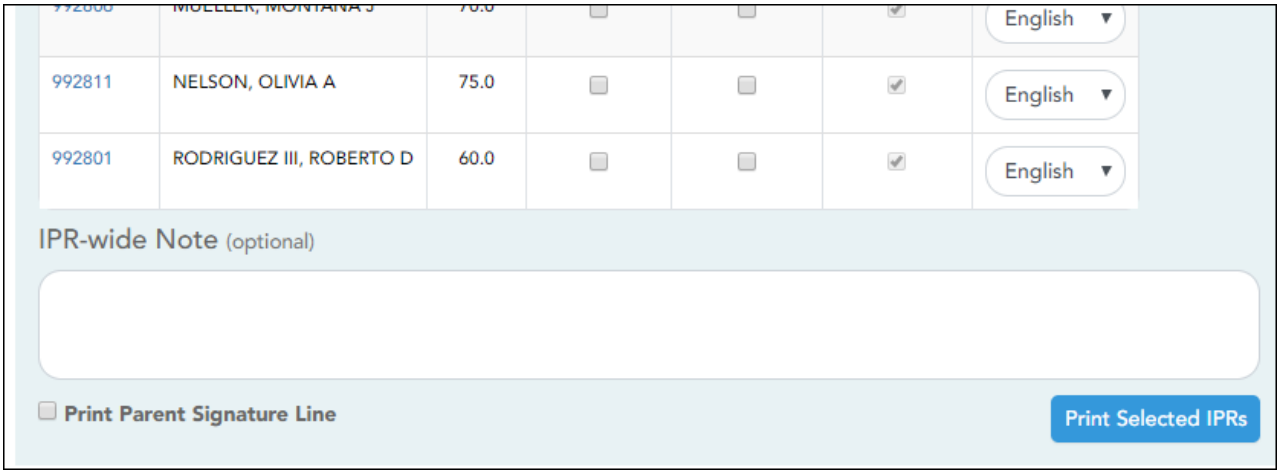
| **Select students from all my classes with any class average below:** | Type the average. All of your students with a working cycle average below this average will be selected. |

❑ Click **Select**.

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



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| **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.<br>**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.<br><br>The summary IPR only includes the course name, period, current average, and comments.<br><br>The detail IPR includes assignments and assignment grades, assignment due dates, posted and calculated average, previously posted cycle averages, comments, grading type, and more.<br>**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.<br><br>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. |

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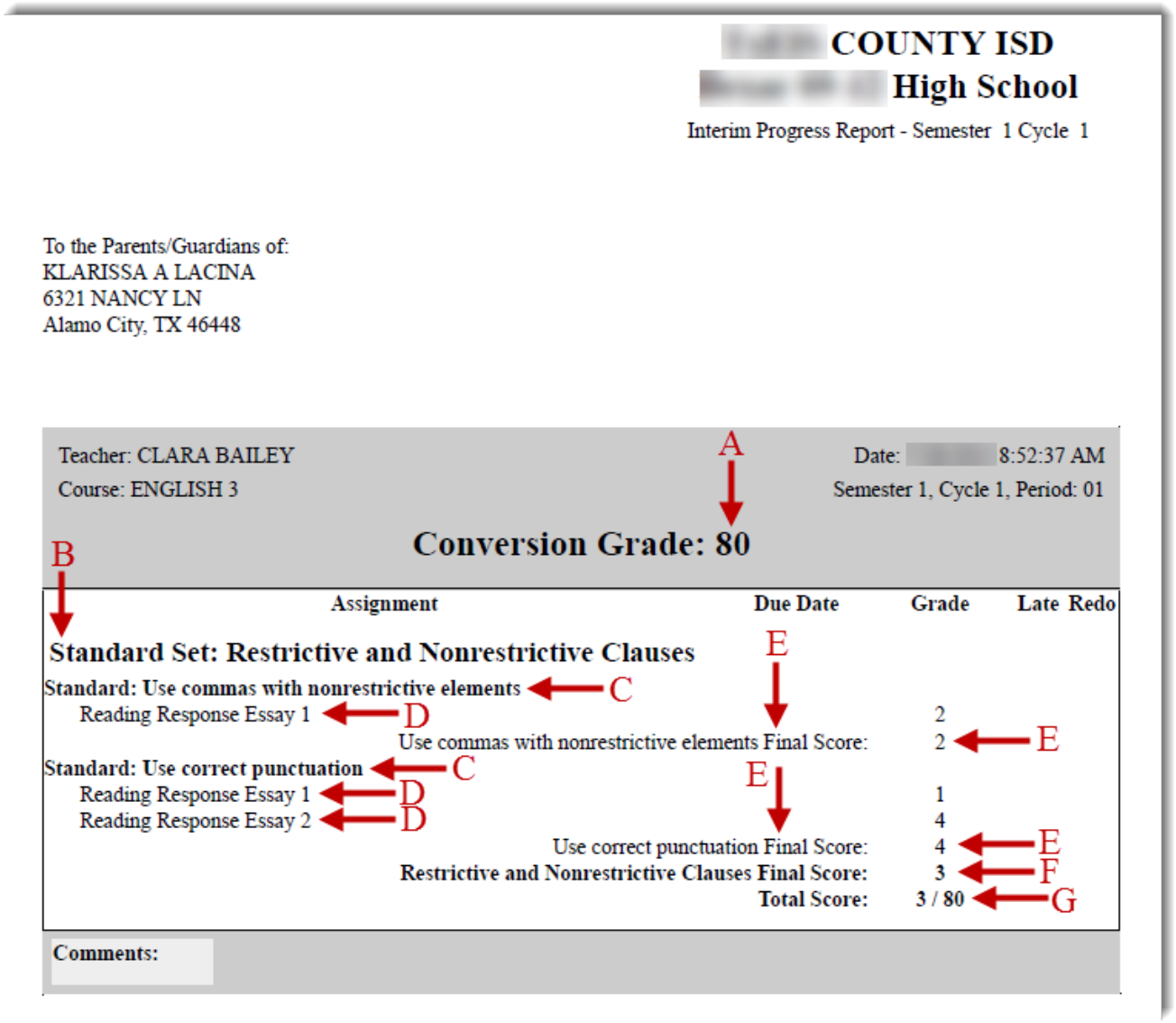
| **IPR Wide Note** | (Optional) Type a note to be displayed on all IPRs selected for printing. This note will be appended to any notes entered in the **Note** field on the IPR Comments page. (Notes entered on the IPR Comments page are student-specific.) |
| **Print Parent Signature Line** | Select to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

IPR components:



[redacted] COUNTY ISD
[redacted] High School
Interim Progress Report - Semester 1 Cycle 1

To the Parents/Guardians of:
KLARISSA A LACINA
6321 NANCY LN
Alamo City, TX 46448

Teacher: CLARA BAILEY
Course: ENGLISH 3
Date: [redacted] 8:52:37 AM
Semester 1, Cycle 1, Period: 01

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**Conversion Grade: 80**

B

| Assignment | Due Date | Grade | Late | Redo |
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| **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** | | |

E

**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).

## Reports:

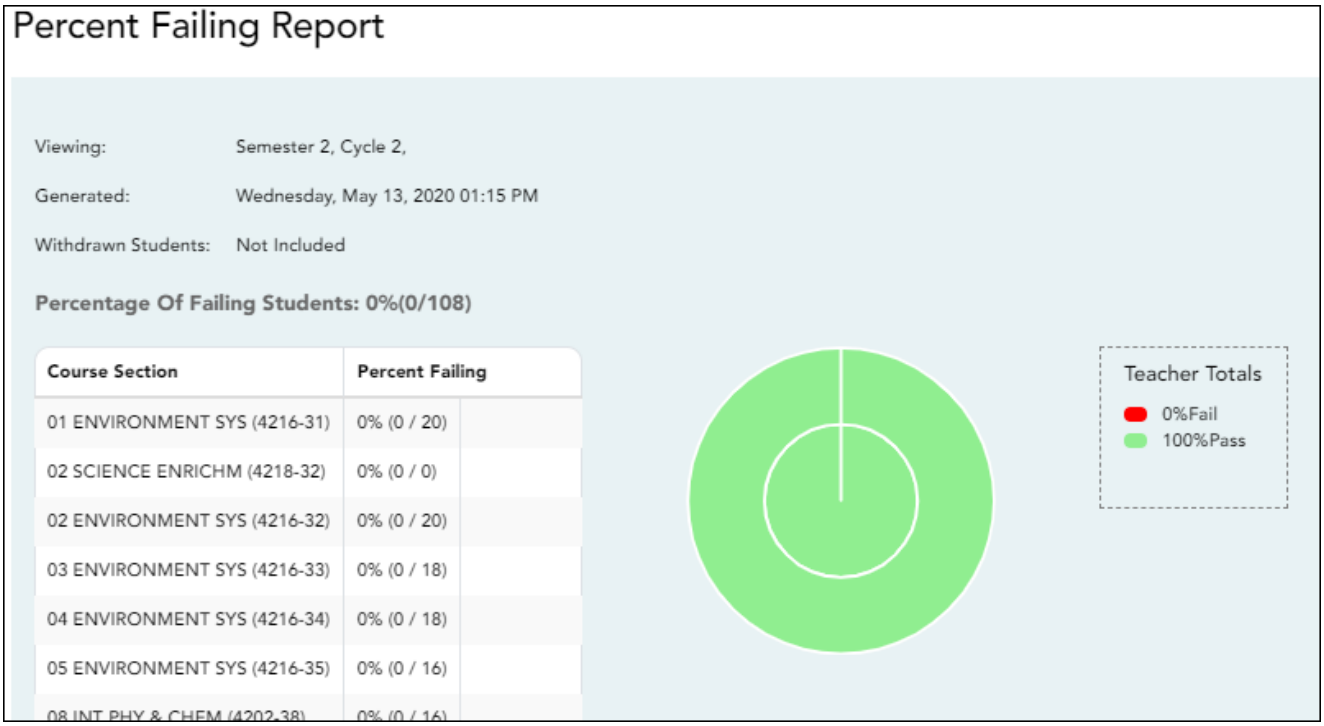
Generate Percent Failing report.

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:

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| **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.<br><br>The pie chart outer circle displays the data for all of the teacher's classes.<br><br>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.<br><br>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.

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:

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| **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**<br><br>**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.<br><br>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. |

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| **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.<br><br>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.<br><br>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. |

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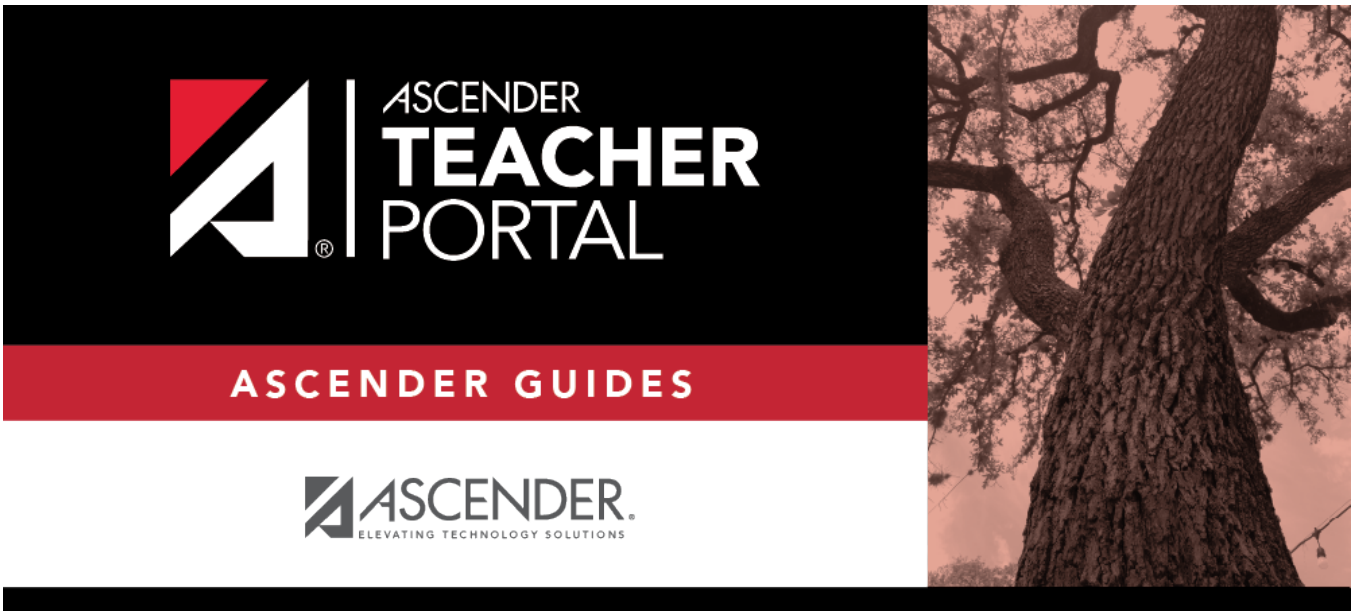
| **Show only students and courses that are UIL Eligible** | Select to display only the UIL eligible courses in order to check for UIL eligibility.<br><br>If selected, the courses listed are determined by campus and district settings.<br><br>• If the field contains a value in the campus section record, that value is used.<br><br>• If the field is blank in the campus section record, the field on the district course record is used.<br><br>• 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 report.

Generate Student Notes report.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