



Sunset Park High School

## Grading Policy Grading Calendar, 2019-2020

| Marking Period             | Marking Period Dates | Report Card Distribution    |
|----------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1                          | 9/5 – 10/17          | November 7 & 8 PTC*         |
| 2                          | 10/18 - 11/27        | December 12th               |
| 3<br>Final Grade, Term 1** | 12/2 - 1/27          | January 30, with transcript |
| 4                          | 1/28- 3/11           | March 19 & 20 PTC*          |
| 5                          | 3/12 – 5/1           | May 12                      |
| 6<br>Final Grade, Term 2** | 5/4 - 6/16           | June 26, with transcript    |

\*Parent-Teacher Conferences (Student-Led Conferences) Subject to change (based on PTA vote—passed on 9-12-18)

\*\*Final Grade represents mastery, growth, and productive struggle for the entire semester/term and is recorded on a student’s transcript.

### Grading Scale

One of our school-wide norms is to Shoot for the Stars. This means striving for a minimum 90% overall average. There are three reasons for this: a higher average shows mastery level while a 65% shows minimal competence, eligibility to enroll in early college programs often requires an 85% GPA or above, and a higher GPA will make you a more competitive applicant to the college of your choice.

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| Passing                        | 65, 70, 75, 80, 85, 90-100   |
| Failing                        | 55   |
| College Credit-Bearing Classes | 75 or above***   |
| AP Courses                     | Score of 4 on AP Exam***   |
| Special Marks                  | NS – No Show. Awarded if a student has not attended at all. No credit given.<br>NX – Incomplete. Awarded if a student has a documented, extreme extenuating circumstance that prevents him/her from completing course.<br>NL – Late Admit. Awarded if a student was enrolled late and has missed assignments needed to generate a complete course grade.<br>These grades are given in consultation with Guidance and an Assistant Principal. Students must complete work by the end of the next semester for NX and NL; if the work is not done, the grade will become a 55. |
| Special Notes                  | Late work may be considered for credit at teacher’s discretion.  |

\*\*\*Most colleges require a minimum of a 75 (grade of C) in college-credit bearing classes or a score of 4 on AP Exams. However, colleges have discretion as to whether or not to accept college credits or AP courses.

## Grading Policy

| Category  | Percentage                                |
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| <b>Mastery</b> measures the extent to which students demonstrate they have mastered the standards, skills, and understandings taught in a given unit or a given lesson. | 60%                                       |
| <b>Productive Struggle</b> measures the extent to which students engage in the process that leads to mastery and beyond.  | 40%                                       |
| <b>Growth</b>   | +/-<br>At the discretion of the teachers. |