

Grading Guidelines for Communications 6-8 and English 1-4

Category 1: Writing Percent: 20

*Description: This category includes all assignments from the **Literacy Portfolio**. Separate grades may be issued for steps in the writing process which can include grammar practice used as a mechanism to improve writing.*

Category 2: Classwork Percent: 25

Description: This category includes any work done before, during and after reading which demonstrates comprehension. This may include warm-ups, QuickWrites, post reading questions, vocabulary, Student Notebook, standardized test practice, open-ended questions, etc.

Category 3: Participation Percent: 20

Description: This category may include, but is not limited to whole and small group discussions, book talks, dramatizations, oral presentations, portfolio presentations, author's chair, speeches, group work, think pair-share, accountable talk, etc.

Category 4: Assessment Percent: 25

Description: Assessment includes all formative and summative classroom assessments including Curriculum Based Assessments.

Category 5: Homework Percent: 10

Description: Homework should be assigned on a regular basis as it helps reinforce student learning. It should relate to the material being taught in class. Effective homework assignments make a significant contribution to a student's total educational experience.