

Vitt's grading policy

Chers étudiants et leurs parents,

I am writing to you all so that everyone completely understands my grading policy. On-line grades, while wonderful in many ways, have also fed into society's instant gratification monster. I am asking that everyone remember that it was not too long ago that students only received an update once per grading period. I do not believe that we should go back to that system, but there has to be a happy medium between the old system and the idea, that more and more people have, that every time a student makes any assignment up, it should be corrected and put on-line instantaneously! This is ludicrous and should be discouraged. Patience is a virtue which far too few human beings possess and, which when learned, will serve the possessor well.

That all may sound too preachy to you, but here is my pact with my students and their parents: I update grades every week, unless it is only two or three days long. On Fridays after school or sometime during the weekend, I enter **ALL** missing work and all new assignments. On rare occasions, I am scrambling and have to enter the grades on a Monday morning before school. I rarely miss a week doing this. **What this means is that if a student turns in an assignment(late or due to an absence) on a Monday, it will not be on-line until the following Monday.** It just is not very efficient to do these sorts of tasks one at a time as the assignments trickle in. Thank you for your patience and understanding with this.

For students without convenient internet access, I also have a binder in the front of my classroom where they can look up their most current grade. I print these every Monday morning before school.

I am asking that every student and at least one of their parents sign this sheet acknowledging the fact that you have read what is above and also my class rules/participation sheet. Thank you for taking the time to read these documents and thank you for allowing me to teach your children.

Sincerely,

William M. Vitt(a.k.a. l'ogre méchant)

student printed name

parent printed name

student signature

parent signature
