



Pocono Mountain School District

3-6 Grading

Frequently-Asked Questions

1. Why are we using Pass/Fail course grades?

We cannot assign grades meant to assess student performance on course content covered in a typical marking period since students cannot be taught the full course content under the current online circumstances. Grades meant for a full marking period would be unjustified in comparison to a fully completed marking period. The solution is to describe student learning more broadly with a Pass or Fail.

Your marking period 3 grades will receive a course grade of Pass/ Fail that takes into account the work you completed in your classes prior to the school closures that began on March 16, 2020. You will also receive a course grade of Pass/Fail at the conclusion of marking period 4.

2. How will my courses be graded?

Due to students varying abilities to work independently at the 3-6 level, student work will be formally assessed, which means teachers will provide scores and feedback for the purpose of indicating whether a student demonstrated understanding of the work completed.

Students will receive a course grade of Pass/Fail for the 3rd and 4th marking periods.

3. How will honor roll be impacted by Pass/Fail?

Honor roll will not be calculated for the 3rd and 4th marking periods for grades 5-6.

4. I am enrolled in PMSD Cyber Learning, how will cyber course grades be calculated?

You will receive a course grade of Pass/Fail. Please contact Ms. Nora Wandalowski, Director, PMSD Cyber Program (nwandalowski@pmsd.org) with any questions.