

## Understanding Power School and my child's grade

Due Date	Category	Assignment	Codes	Score
08/22/2014	Journal	Science Starter #1		9/10
08/22/2014	HW	Zodiac Questions	▲ ■	0/10
08/27/2014	PROJ	Constellation Presentation		15/15
08/29/2014	HW	Name That Constellation		--/25
08/29/2014	Journal	Science Starter #2		--/10

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✔ - Collected, ▲ - Late, ■ - Missing, ◆ - Score is exempt from final grade, ☒ - Assignment is not included in final grade

There are several things that will help you, as a parent, to better understand your child's grade at the middle school via Power School.

When you log into Power School and see your students' grades you CAN look deeper.

1. You can "click" on each class and see the assignments (like above) and the codes that go with them.
2. If the assignment or the student's score has a **blue color** - that means it can link up to either a description about the assignment OR there is a comment on the grade. If you "CLICK" that assignment or grade score another window will open with the description or comment.
3. The codes are important information for you in determining WHY your child is earning the grade they have assigned to them.

### The Codes:

If there is a **YELLOW** square – that means that particular assignment is missing. This could be from being absent OR in combination with it being late.

If there is a **RED** triangle – that means that particular assignment is LATE – again this could be from a number of reasons. IF there is a late assignment, your child should have received a "LATE WORK FORM" from that teacher. It is your child's responsibility to complete that form, attach it to the late assignment and turn it in to their teacher.

If there is a **GREEN** check mark – that means that assignment has been "collected" but might not yet been graded OR it is not being graded

If the assignment is listed and there are NO CODES and no grade entered – that means the teacher has not yet assigned that assignment a grade at that time.

It will look like this: --/100 (or whatever the points for that assignment would be).

Hope this helps in making more sense of your child's grade and guidance for discussions with your child about their grade. Our hope is to help them to be more responsible for their grade and what they are earning; you, as parents, can help us with this life lesson by having those discussions with your child. THANKS for your help and support at home!!