

Center Middle School Grading Procedure & Math Benchmarking



All grades (excluding math) will be weighted in the following manner.

80% Performance*

(60% Assessments and 20% Classroom Activities and Assignments)

10% Homework

10% Participation

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100% Total Grade

***Performance**

Assessment (60%)

- Quizzes and tests on units, chapters, and sections
- SRI
- Final copy of various genre writing
- Exit exams / major projects
- Culminating performance/presentations

Classroom Activities and Assignments (20%)

- Classroom projects
- Bell work assignments
- Rough drafts of writing pieces
- Paired/group assignments
- Guided practice assignments

Math Benchmarking

Benchmarking is a process that uses “I CAN” statements developed by the Center School District Secondary Mathematics Teachers from the Missouri State Grade Level Expectations. Students are required to pass two tests on each benchmark to insure they know the material. Charts are kept in each of the mathematics classrooms so students always know exactly where they are in terms of progress.

- The grading scale for math benchmarking is A, B, C and IP.
- Students **must pass 70% or more** of the total number of benchmarks possible in order to pass math. The benchmarks they do not pass do not go away. *Benchmarks are cumulative.* This means every student still has the opportunity to pass all the benchmarks!
- If you see an “IP” on your student’s grade card, this stands for “**In Progress**”. This means your student is **NOT** making an A, B or C and needs to take advantage of tutoring opportunities available to earn 70% or better on their benchmarks.

If you have questions about benchmarking, feel free to speak with your student’s math teacher.