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GRADES 9 - 12

What is Growing Success?

It is the new Ministry of Education policy on *Assessment, Evaluation and Reporting in Ontario Schools Grades 1-12*. This policy is implemented as of September 2010.

What are the versions of the Provincial Report Cards Grades 9 - 12?

The two versions of the Provincial Report cards for semestered schools include

- o First report card
- o Final report card

Total of four Provincial Report Cards for the year with two for each semester

The two versions of the Provincial Report cards for non-semestered schools include

- o First and second term report cards
- o Final report card

Total of three Provincial Report Cards for the year

What can I expect to see on my child's Provincial Report Card Grades 9 - 12?

ALL versions of the Provincial Report Cards include: student's courses, percentage marks for each course, course median, credit earned, learning skills and work habits, comments, classes missed (and total classes) and times late.

Appropriate boxes may be checked on your child's report card to indicate:

- o **ESL/ELD:** when your child's achievement is based on expectations modified from the course curriculum expectations to support English language learning needs
- o **IEP:** when your child has an IEP that identifies modified expectations for a particular course
- o **French:** when your child receives instruction in French for the course
- o **SHSM:** when your child is taking the course as a credit towards a Specialist High Skills Major

Other achievement information which may be included:

- o **I:** indicating "insufficient evidence" to assign a percentage mark (for Grade 9 and 10 courses only)
- o **W:** if your child has withdrawn from the course

The Course Median, on all report cards, is the percentage mark at which 50 per cent of the students in the course (all sections offered at the school during that timeframe) have a higher percentage mark and 50 per cent of the students have a lower percentage mark.

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What else can I expect to see on my child's Provincial Report Card Grades 9 - 12?

Each Provincial Report Card Grades 9 - 12, except the final Provincial Report Card, will have a tear-off section for student's comments and parent's acknowledgement of receipt of report card and/or request to be contacted by teacher to discuss student's report

Each Final Report of semestered and non-semestered schools includes:

- o Completion of Requirements for Graduation

What learning skills and work habits will teachers report on in secondary schools?

The Learning Skills and Work Habits that teachers will report on in the Provincial Report Card Grades 9 - 12 are:

- Responsibility
- Organization
- Independent work
- Collaboration
- Initiative
- Self Regulation

What will the report on my child's development in Learning Skills and Work Habits look like?

To report on LEARNING SKILLS and WORK HABITS teachers will use:

- E- Excellent
- G- Good
- S- Satisfactory
- N- Needs improvement

When can I expect my secondary school child's Provincial Report Card Grades 9 - 12?

Semestered Schools: Formal written reports twice per semester

Non-Semestered Schools: Formal written reports three times per year

Schools with a combination of semestered and non-semestered courses will develop a combined reporting schedule that provides:

- Two formal written reports for semestered courses and
- Three written reports for non-semestered courses

When are my child's secondary report cards issued?

Provincial Report Cards Grades 9 -12 will be distributed on a varied timeline. Please contact your child's school for information about reporting dates.

For additional information:

Ask your school principal for additional information about assessment, evaluation and reporting.

You can also find out more at www.edu.gov.on.ca search "Growing Success" or

www.edugains.ca click on "AER Gains"