



## **IRVINGTON**

UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT

### Feedback and Grading During Distance Learning

We recognize that one of the ways that parents monitor their children's progress in school is through grades. At this time, while students and teachers are adjusting to Distance Learning, teachers will be monitoring student progress, but not assigning traditional grades.

Teachers will be monitoring student progress and engagement in learning through various means including, but not limited to the following:

- Submission of assignments
- Exit tickets
- Participation in chats/hangouts

While teachers are not assigning grades at this time, they will be providing regular feedback to students about the quality of their work and their progress towards learning goals. It is critical that students review this feedback and maintain the same commitment to learning that is expected when school is in session.

We value our partnership with parents and are committed to maintaining that partnership through this extended closure. If a teacher feels that a student is not making sufficient progress, parents will be notified and a plan for supporting the student will be developed collaboratively between the school and the family. As when school was in session, parents should first reach out to their child's teacher with any concerns and then, if needed, contact the building principal and/or counselor.

We anticipate that changes to the current practice of providing feedback without providing numerical or letter grades will change in the coming weeks as we refine the Distance Learning model and gain more information about the extent of the closure. At this time, we have not finalized guidelines regarding trimester/quarterly or final grades. We are in the process of collaborating both within the district and across the region to develop a fair and balanced approach to assessing student learning during these unprecedented times.

Thank you for your support.