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SOUTH RIVER PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Middle and High School Reassessment Guidelines

Recognizing that it is our responsibility to ensure that students have learned the required proficiencies, the district has implemented a reassessment process for all secondary students.

I. Students in all levels of classes may take part in reassessments within the following parameters:

- The student must have earned below a 75% (74% or lower) on the assessment to be eligible for a reassessment.
- A student will be permitted to take **one** reassessment for each eligible assessment.
- The student's final grade for the assessment will be the highest grade attained and **will be capped at 80% or the equivalent letter grade.** (*For example, if the original assessment was scored at 75 and the reassessment was scored at 90, the highest grade the student may receive on the reassessment will be 80.*)
- Major Assessments eligible for reassessment may include and are not limited to tests, writing assignments, thesis-based writing assessments, compositions, and essays.
- Minor Assessments and Progress Indicators such as homework, classwork or participation grades are not eligible for reassessment.

A student may not be reassessed on certain types of assessments including, but not limited to interim assessments, final exams, etc.

II. Reassessment opportunities are available for all students, however, they must meet with their teacher to develop a plan. In order to be eligible for a reassessment, one or more of the indicators below must have been evident:

- Student met with his or her teacher for extra help.
- Student turned in the original assignment/assessment by the specified due date.
- Student followed the original parameters of the assignment/assessment.
- Student completed all assignments relevant to the original assessment by their original due dates. For example, the student completed all pre-writing required for a writing assessment.
- Student corrected the original assignment according to his or her teacher's feedback and guidance.
- Student demonstrated improved understanding of the subject matter (content) by completing corrections or other means.
- The student must have put forth his/her best effort (aka "a good faith effort") on the original assessment.

- Student/parent discusses with teacher/counselor/administrator a circumstance that has impacted the student's ability to learn, perform academically, or complete work.

III. Reassessment opportunities for a student may be denied by the student's teacher if it is determined that the student has not put forth their best effort. A teacher may deny a reassessment for a student for reasons including but not limited to the following:

- Student was absent from class excessively without extenuating circumstances.
- Student has not requested extra help or has not demonstrated any remediation needed to be successful on a reassessment.
- Student did not submit an assignment by the prescribed due date without extenuating circumstances.
- Other situations that may illustrate the student is not necessarily putting forth their best effort.

IV. Reassessment plans should be established by the teacher/department and should be focused on opportunities for student improvement. Students wishing to take advantage of the reassessment process will complete and submit an application to their teacher.

1. What major summative assessments will be eligible for reassessment?					
	English/ World Languages/ Business	Mathematics	Science	Social Studies	World Languages/ Business/
Middle School and High School	Tests or summative assessments including research papers may be redone, in full or in part including major writing assignments, with the exception of end of marking period exams, etc.	Tests or summative assessments that demonstrate a student's lack of understanding or comprehension may be open for reassessment, in full or in part with the exception of cumulative tests.	Tests or summative assessments that demonstrate a student's lack of understanding or comprehension including laboratory reports may be open for reassessment, in full or in part.	Tests or summative assessments including research papers may be redone, in full or in part, with the exception of end of marking period exams, etc.	Part A: Compositions and essays Part B: Major tests, such as unit tests, final submission of projects, or thematic assessments are eligible.

2. What are the criteria for reassessment?

High School and Middle School	Teacher or student needs to initiate a request within a reasonable period of time (a week or so after the original assessment) to set up a plan based on that particular student's needs. This plan must be satisfactorily completed before a reassessment will be scheduled. Plans may include the following: • Student turned the original assignment/assessment by the specified due date. • Student followed the original parameters of the assignment/assessment. • Student completed all assignments relevant to the original assessment by the original due dates. • Student corrected the original assignment as per teacher's feedback and guidance. • Student provided evidence of receiving extra help (worked with NHS, outside tutor, etc.). • Student met with his or her teacher for extra help. • Student agreed to the timeline established by the teacher. • Student demonstrated improved understanding of the subject matter (content) by completing corrections or other means. • The student must have put forth his/her best effort (aka "a good faith effort") on the original assessment.
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3. What are the parameters in place for reassessment?

High School and Middle School	Students in all levels of classes may take part in reassessments within the following parameters: • The student must have earned below a 75 or the equivalent letter grade (not a score of 75, but a 74 or lower) to be eligible for a reassessment. • A student will be permitted to take one reassessment for each eligible assessment. • The student's final grade for the assessment will be the highest grade attained and will be capped at 80. <i>(For example, if the original assessment was scored at 75 and the reassessment was scored at 90, the highest grade the student may receive on the reassessment will be 80.)</i> • Assessment eligible for reassessment include and are not limited to tests, writing assignments, thesis-based writing assessments, compositions, and essays.
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4. How will the student's grade be determined and recorded?

High School and Middle School	Highest grade attained with a cap of 80% as the final posted score.
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