

Piney Woods Elementary School

Academic Grading Information for 3rd & 4th Grade

How will my child be graded this year?

Students in grades 3-4 receive number grades on assignments, assessments, interim reports, quarterly report cards and on a yearly average. Your child's quarterly grades will be based upon a percentage of total points that your child receives. Because many of our assessments incorporate skills from multiple content areas, teachers may also elect to count one grade in more than one content area. You can easily calculate your child's grade in any subject by adding up the total number of points your child received and dividing by the total number of points the assignments are worth. Please see the following page for an example of what grades may look like this year.

Grading Breakdown

Type of Assignment	Points Given	Grading Scale	
Classwork	Each classwork assignment is worth 100 pts.	Letter	Grade
		A	90-100
		B	80-89
Quizzes	Each quiz is worth 100 pts.	C	70-79
		D	60-69
Tests and Projects	Each project and test is worth 200 pts. <i>These assignments will be listed twice in the grade book as 100 points each.</i>	F	Below 60
<p>**All subject areas will have a total of at least 8- 9 grades entered per 9-week period.</p> <p>No retakes will be given</p>			

When should I expect grades to be posted in the Parent Portal?

Grades will be posted to the Parent Portal within **5 school days** for minor assignments such as classwork and quizzes. Tests, projects and extended writing assignments that count twice in the gradebook will be posted to the Parent Portal within **10 school days**.

How do I get my Parent Portal login information?

Please see Mrs. Peck in the front office to receive information about how to log into Parent Portal. As always, please check with your child's teacher if you have any questions about your child's progress. By working together, we can ensure your child reaches his or her maximum potential.

Example of Grades Given in a 9-week Period

(this is just an example so you can see how points will show up in Parent Portal and how they add up each 9-week period)

Assignment Name	Assignment Type	Child's Grade	Total # of points the assignment is worth
Types of Rocks Quiz	Quiz	96	100
3 types of Rock Sort	Classwork	90	100
Mineral Lab	Classwork	82	100
Formation of Rocks Research Presentation	Project	87	100
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*(Projects count twice, so grade above is entered twice)			
Rock vs. Mineral	Quiz	85	100
Rock & Mineral Notes	Classwork	94	100
Rock Cycle	Classwork	91	100
Sedimentary Rocks Vocabulary Chart	Classwork	80	100
Rock Vocabulary	Quiz	92	100
Rock Unit Test	Test	93	100
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*(Tests count twice, so grade above is entered twice)			
		Child's Total points=1070	Total points all assignments are worth= 1,200
Child's final grade is calculated like this: 1070 divided by 1200 = .892 or 89%			

***The final yearly average for each subject is calculated by adding up the actual average for each quarter and dividing by four.