

Exceptional Grading Practices:

(Standards-Based Grading)

Understanding the Rubrics



Where do I find Resources?

Rialto Unified School District

1. Click on **Service Areas**
2. Click on **Educational Services**
3. Click on either ELA  or Numeracy  icons.
4. For ELA, click on ELA icon. Curriculum maps and rubrics are on the right hand side.
5. For Numeracy, click on Elementary Math resources to see all available resources.

How are we Reporting Progress towards Proficiency?

- Traditional A,B,C,D,F grading and percentages will no longer be used
- The goal is for students to **reach proficiency by the end of the year** on all grade-level standards. **This is a year-long learning journey.**
- Student **progress towards proficiency** is reported each trimester.

Proficiency Level Descriptors			
IE Insufficient Evidence of Proficiency	EP Emerging Proficiency	AP Approaching Proficiency	P Proficient
No evidence of mastery of any part of the standard(s).	Beginning to show some mastery. Requires support to perform the standard(s).	Demonstrates partial understanding or can perform portions of the standard(s). Occasional support may be given.	Demonstrates full mastery of the standard(s). Can perform all portions of the standard(s) independently.

Emerging Proficiency (EP)

- Has limited or some prior knowledge
- Requires support to engage in the learning

* It is not uncommon for students to be at this level in trimesters 1 and 2. Emerging Proficiency (EP) can be used for those standards/indicators that may not be fully taught until later in the school year.



Beginning the learning journey

Approaching Proficiency (AP)

- Support may still be given
- Partial understanding
- Progressing towards proficiency



Further along the learning journey

Proficient (P)

- Demonstrates proficiency
- May still need occasional support

Proficient does not mean perfection!



Completed the journey

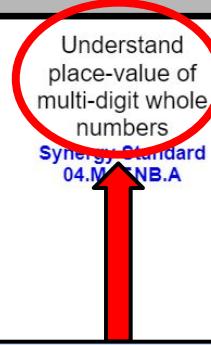
Insufficient Evidence of Learning (IE)

- Excessive absences
- Does not complete classwork
- Unable to gather evidence of student learning



Should not be used to indicate “standard not taught”

Understanding the Rubrics

Domain: Numbers and Operations in Base Ten				
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What are some options to assess student learning?

- Student portfolios (samples of student work)
- Engagement with Math Routines
- Math entry tasks and review tasks
- Student writing samples
- Running Records/Guided Reading
- Phonics Screener
- Projects
- Presentations
- Research/Experiments
- Contributions to class discussions
- Teacher observations

Assessments do not have to be formal tests.

THESE ARE A FEW EXAMPLES AND NOT AN EXHAUSTIVE LIST

What Are Some Things to Remember?

- ❖ The indicator is **not the CA standard**.
- ❖ The “Synergy Standard” is used to **tag an assignment**; it is not the CA Common Core standard.
- ❖ For indicators with multiple standards, **ALL** standards must be mastered to receive a final grade of Proficient on the report card.
- ❖ **Teachers are responsible for teaching ALL grade-level standards even if it is not reported on the report card.**

What are some suggestions to help track Student Progress?

- Print out a rubric (ELA & Math) for each student. Use a marker to mark the rubric where the student is in their learning. Use a different color for each trimester.

- When entering assignments in Synergy, title the assignment with the actual CA standard in parenthesis. [ex: Rounding Numbers to Millions (NBT.3)].

Quick Link Resources

- K-5 [Elementary One-Pager](#) with ELA/MATH Rubrics and Curriculum Guides
- [ELA](#) webpage
- Elementary [MATH](#) webpage
- [Summary](#) of Presentation