

What is Standards-Based Grading?

(SBG)

The purpose of Standards-Based Grading (SBG) is to measure a student's performance and product against defined Grade Level expectations. In a SBG and reporting system, grades reflect what a student knows and can do, as outlined in the Arizona College and Career Readiness Standards. Teachers in Grades K-6 will base report card grades on academic achievement only.

Traditional grading is easy to spot because it typically involves:

- Simple letter grades.
- Assessments based on teacher-defined criteria.
- A single overall grade per student based on a combination of related and unrelated assessments of skills, knowledge, performance and conduct over a period of time.



