

Grading System

Students will be expected to complete 2 types of assignments in class: Formative Assessments (FA) and Summative Assessments (SA). **In order for a student to maintain the right to revise or make up and assignment, he/she must demonstrate an attempt to successfully complete the assignment in class and observe all due dates and deadlines.**

Formative Assessments:

- FAs are practice assignments which allow the student to build the necessary skills to complete the summative assessment (SA). They are usually worth 40 points.
- Not all FAs are eligible to be made up/revised
- In order for students to better understand their achievement level, FAs are “graded” on a scale between 0 to 40 (the right hand column shows the Pinnacle Grade Equivalent)

<u>Achievement Levels</u>	<u>Pinnacle Correlated Grades</u>
○ 0 = Did Not Complete	- “0” or “Z”
○ 1 = Emergent	- 25 pts
○ 2 = Developing	- 30 pts
○ 3 = Proficient	- 35 pts
○ 4 = Mastery	- 40 pts

- Students are encouraged to have an average of a 2.5 before beginning any Summative.
- Before beginning work on the SA, students will be given time to complete alternate assignments in order to revise a low scoring/ missing work assignment. These alternate assignments provide a student with extra practice to build the skills needed to achieve at least a 2.5 (almost proficient level).

PLEASE NOTE: A grade of ‘Z’ equals a ‘0’ and does not qualify as ‘make-up’ work. This is not negotiable. If a student receives a grade of ‘Z’ on any assignment, it means

- a) they were in class and did not/refused to complete the assignment
- b) they did not make up the assignment within the appropriate time frame.

Summative Assessments

Summative assessments are a culmination of work done in class, so it is imperative to keep up and pass in the formative assessments (assigned class work). Failure to do so will result in a forfeiture of revision rights.

- SAs allow the student to demonstrate mastery of the concepts presented throughout a unit.
- Ample in class time is allotted for the completion of each, and most may be submitted electronically.
- Since most assignments may be submitted electronically, the SA is still due **even if** the student is absent. For a student, without computer access *with* an excused absence, the SA is due *immediately* upon their return to school.
- Since the SA is comprehensive, these assignments carry a larger point total (95 points is the average) but are graded along the same four point scale:

<u>Achievement Levels</u>	<u>Pinnacle Correlated Grades</u>
○ 0 = Did Not Complete	- “0” or “Z”
○ 1 = Emergent	- 65 pts
○ 2 = Developing	- 75 pts
○ 3 = Proficient	- 85 pts
○ 4 = Mastery	- 95 pts