**HOW TO GET A BETTER GRADE**

Teacher’s don’t “GIVE” grades, they record student progress. Students can improve their grade by practicing better study skills. This is the fastest and only way to solve the problem.

Here are some ways for a student to improve their grade. If you are unhappy with your child’s grade, they are most likely not doing ALL of the things listed below.

1. Put in more study time at home.

2. Study correctly at home. For example:

 Concentrate.

 Parent has cell phone custody during study time

 Make and use flashcards (correctly)

 No music or TV

 No multi-tasking

 Learn it; don’t just put in the time

 Set a reasonable, attainable goal (finish all reading & paper assignments for just one

 class at a time) and reach it before finishing.

 Study every school night

 Schedule 4 hours of study time during the week-end

 Parent should look over completed assignments and ask quiz questions from work

3. Come to class as early as possible every day.

4. Be ready to start work before the bell rings.

5. Write down what is said in class – listening is not always enough.

6. Discuss and practice the material with your study partner as much as possible.

7. Avoid all socializing in class, i.e., don’t talk or respond to others unless it is class work.

8. Concentrate on everything the teacher presents in class.

9. If something is not clear, ask the teacher, not another student.

10. Try to come up with examples to answer the day’s learning objectives.

11. Study flash cards (or Quizlet) 2 to 3 times a day.

12. Don’t rush the class to be over, use every minute of class on that subject.

13. After class, clear up any questions with the teacher you didn’t ask during class.

14. Practice quality, neat work on all assignments. Always do a little more than

 the minimum amount to get by.

15. Think about the material outside of class – apply the information to the real world.

16. Use the Teacher’s website online resources (the library has many resources that are

 subscription only and available to our students) There are great teaching You Tubes.

17. Decide to enjoy the subject. Negative thinking generates negative results.

18. Have homework schedule posted at home (where parents can see it) and in your

 binder, maybe in your book also. The homework schedule for class is quite often

 posted on the Teacher’s website so that extra copies can be run off as needed.