

Policy 2515: Uniform Grading

Comment Log

December 13, 2013 to January 13, 2014

Action Type
 N: No Response - Negative
 NA: Not Accepted + Positive
 A: Accepted o Neutral

Date	Individual/Organization	Comments	Action/ Type	Rationale
01-07	kackie eller counselor george washington high school Chas wv	<p>§126-37-1 General</p> <p>I work with students everyday in the vocational programs---they attend 1/2 reg ed and 1/2 vocational programs and are often looked at as the kids that go to vocational school---with reference to the fact that it is not considered college prep education0--which is far from wrong--so the weighted grades are very needed for the new programs and come of the older ones</p>	N/+	
01-09	Michelle Leversee Teacher Morgantown High School Morgantown WV	<p>I think we should join the majority of US states (43) and use a 10 pt. grading scale, with 90-100% being an "A", 80-89% a "B". Our current grading scale puts West Virginia students at a disadvantage when they compete for admission and scholarships with students from other states. As a teacher, I have participated in a push for added rigor in my classroom and my school. I believe in setting high expectations, while at the same time putting West Virginia students on a level playing field with the rest of the nation. As we adopt Common Core curriculum standards,</p>	N/0	<p>Comments regarding the actual grading scale pertain to a portion of the policy not impacted by the proposed changes. However, it is important to note that approximately nine states/territories currently use a 0 – 100% uniform statewide grading scale. These states include: (1) Arkansas, (2) Florida,</p>

we should also standardize our grading scale with the rest of the nation.

(3) North Carolina, (4) South Carolina, (5) Tennessee, (6) Louisiana, (7) Nevada, (8) DC, and (9) West Virginia. Two additional states (i.e., Georgia and New Mexico) have some degree of oversight over minimum grading expectations, but do not mandate a common 0 – 100% grading scale. Clearly, the majority of states leave decisions about grading practices to be the responsibility of local education agencies. Therefore, it is difficult to ascertain how WV compares to the nation with respect to this practice. However, of the nine states that use a uniform 0 – 100% scale, six (66%) use a scale very similar to West Virginia's (i.e., they do not use a 10 point scale). The remaining three states do use a 10-point scale (i.e., Arkansas, Florida, Nevada). The fact

				<p>that two thirds of the states that do currently use uniform 0 – 100% grading scales use a scale comparable to WV’s indicates differences may not be as widespread as some anticipate.</p>
01-09	<p>Logan chapman Morgantown WV</p>	<p>It is unfair for students to have a 7-point grading system when competing for scholarships and admissions to colleges. One student in Maryland could have a 91 A and in West Virginia a student could have a 92 B, which could cause the student from Maryland to earn a scholarship because he/she would have an A while the West Virginia student has a B, but a higher percentage score. Most colleges do not recalculate grades so having a 7 point scale when most other states have a 10 point scale hurts WV kids. We already have disadvantages - let's not add to the problem unnecessarily! Why are we deliberately putting our kids at a disadvantage? it makes no sense at all. Change the scale to a 10 point scale immediately!</p>	N/0	
01-09	<p>Christine Wang parent Morgantown WV</p>	<p>I am in opposition to West Virginia's current grading scale system, in which the lowest A grade is a 93 and the lowest B grade is an 85. The most common grading system nation-wide is the ten-point scale. In fact, WV is one of only six states employing this more stringent scale -- and yet, we have adopted a national curricula. These measures put West Virginia's students --</p>	N/0	
01-10	<p>Susan Shumaker President Stone Circle Productions Morgantown WV</p>		N/0	

		<p>especially our best students -- at a clear competitive disadvantage when applying to colleges. As a former recruiter for my alma mater, Harvard University, I have seen WV students suffer, in practice, for just this reason. When a student applies to a competitive school, the first thing he or she is judged on is GPA. If that GPA falls below a predetermined mark (e.g., 3.8), the student's application is discarded immediately, before any extenuating circumstances in the grading scale can be discovered, let alone the student's class schedule or entrance essay. This kind of aggressive weeding out of applications is commonplace, as admissions officers need an easy way to cut down the thousands of applications they receive. It is discouraging that a student from West Virginia would not have an equal chance to compete against students from other states because of an administrative decision made by our school system. In my opinion, we should be helping our most talented students earn the acclaim and the top notch educations they deserve, rather than crippling them, and making it more difficult for them to achieve. I hope you will please reconsider, and allow West Virginia to join the many states that have recently re-adopted a ten-point grading scale, to be in line with other states and with colleges nationwide. Thank you.</p>		
01-10	Philip Michelbach Associate Professor of Political Science	The current uniform grading scale disadvantages West Virginia students as they compete against students from other states for scholarships, jobs,	N/0	

	WVU Morgantown WV	and college admission. I can think of no rational reason to systematically and artificially depress grades for West Virginia students under the current uniform grading scale, where an "A" begins at 93% rather than 90%. West Virginia needs to put our students on an even playing field with students from other states by adopting the grading scale most commonly in use around the U.S.		
01-10	Paola Pergami MD Morgantown Wv	The 7 grade scale puts our students at a disadvantage as they apply for scholarships and admissions to universities outside West Virginia. We should move to 10 grade scale like most state in the US	N/0	
01-10	Kathy Luck Morgantown WV	In 2011 we moved to West Virginia from Texas where our 3 older children attended the public high schools which used a 10 point grading scale. I first felt the impact of the 7 point scale when our 4th child earned his first and so far only B (a 92.4) at Morgantown High -- on one hand I was proud of him for earning a 92.4 but on the other hand I felt sorry for him that this was considered a B -- especially when in Texas and now I'm learning 43 other states this B would be considered an A. It is so competitive these days for high school students, why do we in West Virginia have to make it more difficult that it needs to be? Let's move into the future with a 10 point grading scale for our West Virginia students and enable them to better compete nationally with their peers.	N/0	

<p>01-10</p>	<p>Erika Hooper Special Education Teacher Southside K-8 War WV</p>	<p>We use a 1 to 4 grading system based on the CSO, but the parents are unable to understand the grades because they do not understand the CSOs. The purpose of grading is to inform the parents on how well their child is doing in school and this system they do not know that their child is failing or just getting by and about to fail. We call home and talk to parents but not all listen because the report card makes them look like they are ok when they are just getting by.</p> <p>I do not know if A, B, C, are the answer but parents understand it better. Also it gives the student a chance to see if they are in the top or just below and might need to work just a bit to make their scores higher. We forget about the students who want to do good and the 1, 2, 3, 4 grading system does not reflect how close they are to getting the next grade.</p> <p>The third reason is that the CSO are designed for what the student's need to know at the end of the year. Most students are not at the 3 or 4 but will be by the end of the year. Using the numbers makes it look like they are not where they should be, but in reality they are.</p> <p>The fourth and final reason is teacher do not all grade the same. One student is doing OK and the teacher gives them a 3 because they do not want them to get discouraged, but they feel confident the student is at grade level, while the teacher next door is reading the CSO's and giving them the grade based on the information provided. In my school there has not been training on how to</p>	<p>N/+</p>	
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			grade based on standards so it is not all accurate.		
01-10	Laura Freeman Parent Morgantown WV		While I agree that weighted grades are necessary for Advanced Career Courses, I believe that West Virginia's non-weighted course grading scale should follow a 10 point grading system similar to other states. Nationwide GPAs are traditionally based off of a 10 point scale. A grading scale narrower than other states puts our children at a disadvantage for college admissions.	N/0	
01-10	Jeff Hoffman teacher Morgantown High Morgantown WV		The grading scale used in our high schools is unfair. Kids attempting to obtain scholarships, are graded on a different scales than their competitors for the same honors.	N/0	
01-10	Susan Morgantown WV		I have a daughters named Kim. She is getting a Bee in a class witch she need A. She have 90.2 and she need 93. This not fair. My daughters needs to go to MIT. They will only see Bee but other peoples from pensilvania will have 90 and have that A. This is not fair to my daughters. Please change the grade or else she will have to commit seppuku because we are Asian. Please help my daughters go to MIT and have good life.	N/0	
01-10	Sha'Quonda Dr. Welch, WV		I was selling kool aid to a brotha when he said ma momma won't lemme buy da kool aid cause of my grades. He had a 63! That's some good grades! Now how is that failing! Back in ma day I got a 37 and passed. Please change the rules to support business like me.	N/0	
01-10	Julie Brefczynski-Lewis Research Assistant Professor Morgantown High School		The current grading system is an unfair disadvantage for WV student compared to other state school systems. It should be 90-100 A, 80-89 B, 70-79 C, 60-69 D, else F.	N/0	

	Morgantown WV			
01-10	Mary Pettit Morgantown WV	How does this compare to other states? Florida Statute 1003.437 has 90-100 A, 80-89 B, 70-79 C, 60-69 D and 0-59 F. It seems we are hurting our own children by a tougher grading score system. This does not reflect well on our state.	N/0	
01-10	Emily	As a student, I feel as if the 7 point grading scale is unjust and borderline cruel. With this system, I currently have 6 Bs on my transcript, 4 of which were well above 90%. However, an admissions officer or other administrative official would not be able to note this distinction, giving me the heightened probability of being eliminated from contention for scholarships, colleges, and other academic quests. As an AP student, I have found it highly offensive that even my AP classes follow this scale, with my two 91% Bs in "college level classes" to be extremely damaging, as colleges do grade on a 10 point scale in the first place! For the sake of my peers' and I well-beings, both academically and mentally, I implore the state of West Virginia to right this wrong.	N/0	
01-11	brandon byron morgantown wv	I believe West Virginia should be consistent with the majority of the states who subscribe to the 10 point grading system. There should be uniformity amongst all states. The 7 point grading scale has the potential to adversely affect WV students with college admission applications when compared to other students from states that use the more widely used 10 point grading scale as it would theoretically impact overall GPA. Please adopt and implement the 10 point grading	N/0	

		scale!!!		
01-12	Firdoss Sarwari Morgantown WV	Our children are at a disadvantage when it comes time for them to apply for colleges due to our state's current 7-point grading scale. By switching to the 10-point grading scale, they will be able to compete fairly with students from other states as they will be on a level playing field. It is unfair for a child to be seen as inferior to a student who has an A with a 92 percent when he or she has the same 92 percent but with the letter grade showing he or she earned a B. Colleges focus on letter grades, not percentages, further justifying why our children's schooling system should switch to the 10-point grading scale.	N/0	
01-13	Pam Kasey Morgantown WV	yes	N/0	
01-13	Pamela Berryman School Nurse Monongalia Co. Schs. Morgantown WV	I believe ALL teachers should be required to use the same grading scale as advised by the State. There is inconsistency from teacher to teacher. I can understand that honors classes would have a different scale as well as AP classes, but otherwise all teachers should be required to follow the same grading scale.	N/+	
		§126-37-4 Weighted Grades		
01-06	Kevin Smith Director Wayne County Schools Wayne WV	I would like some clarity as to what courses (and course codes) are considered Advanced Career Courses. The title is open to interpretation.	NA/0	Advanced Career Courses are defined in WVBOE Policy 2510
01-07	kackie elli counselor george washington high school	Weighted grades are very much needed in vocational programs and the kids get very little recognition ---they do have an honor society and competitions but they are not recognized as	N/+	

	Chas wv	reg ed programs are---so this will help---the programs need to be quality and of a high level---such as the new nursing program at Ben Franklin--the Power and Energy is going to develop into a quality program---and Carver is starting one next year--I think weight grades should be given to 2nd year welding and 2nd year drafting and 2nd year dental ---these kids are doing quality work and obtaining certifications that employers expect--so the weight should go to all 2nd year programs that evaluated on high levels---this is great for voc ed		
01-09	Michelle Leversee Teacher Morgantown High School Morgantown WV	No comment.	N/0	
01-09	Matt Leroy Student Mhs student Morgantown Wv	It's not fair that we have a 7 point grading scale while 43 other states don't. If we go for scholarships and we have a 92 B and someone in another state has a 80 and has a B, how is that fair. Please change it to match the other states, because this is definitely a factor in competing with people from other states for scholarships!! Dear, Robert E. Hall	N/0	
01-09	Bailey Student MHS Student Morgantown Wv	Okay. This grading system is not fair at all. Every year i get criticized by my family for not getting a certain GPA... And my brother who goes to high school in Maryland, gets the EXACT SAME grades as me is honored for his performance. Hmm... We get the same grades but he has a higher GPA...? How does that work? Oh yeah.	N/0	

		<p>Here in West Virginia we have a 7 point grading scale. Honestly the 7 point grading scale just makes the students in WV look a less intelligent to other students across the country. I mean who looks at the number percentages? No one. At least colleges don't. All any one sees is the GPA which is based off the letter grade we get which is based off OUR 7 point grading school. So please do us all a favor and change it to the NORMAL 10 point grading scale. It will only do good for the students and help students get to better colleges.</p> <p>Thank you for your time. Bailey Kane</p>		
01-09	<p>Lee Ann Boylstein Maidsville WV</p>	<p>I believe we should be consistent across schools, counties, and state in grading our children in HS. I have a son who would have mostly A's however according to the scale at Morgantown High, he has B's. The colleges do not know this when his application will be reviewed. He is wanting to go to a Military academy and this will in the end hinder him. WE NEED to be consistent across the state. After all, most colleges are on the 10 pt scale, why should MHS be one of the few on a 7 pt scale?</p>	N/O	
01-10	<p>Jennifer Secreto English Honors Teacher Morgantown High School Morgantown WV</p>	<p>We are doing our students in this state an injustice by using the 7 point grading scale. Many of our students are losing college scholarships to students from other states which use a 10-point scale. On a student's high school transcript, the only thing colleges see is the letter grade. Therefore, a student in WV who has a 92% will</p>	N/O	

		<p>show a "B" on his transcript while a student from a state which uses to 10- point scale will show a 92% as an "A." This just doesn't make any sense. Most universities that I am aware of use a 10- point scale, too. This seriously needs to be changed.</p>		
<p>01-10</p>	<p>Susan Crayne Morgantown WV</p>	<p>I would like to post my opposition to 7 point grading scale. WV is putting our kids at a disadvantage with colleges. Colleges and employers do NOT take the time to convert these grades and take our tougher grading into account when looking at GPAs. Why are we putting our children at a disadvantage when a simple change would take care of the problem.</p> <p>This is a very important issue that is working against our kids. Colleges, especially those far from Morgantown, are not familiar with our more stringent grading system, and will disregard our students' applications based solely on GPA, without taking the time to look more closely at the classes taken, let alone their personal essays.</p> <p>Please make the change to the standard 10 point grading scale to help our students have an equal and fair chance at college admission, rather than handicapping them. I completely understand and support having high standards, but am personally against the 7 pt. scale. I feel it puts our students at a disadvantage as they apply for scholarships and admissions to universities outside West Virginia. There is no way for a college or scholarship</p>	<p>N/O</p>	

		<p>agency to distinguish between a student who receives an 80% "B" in one state and a student who receives a 92% "A" in West Virginia by looking their transcript. The 7 pt. grading scale is unforgiving to students who may do poorly on just one major assignment or test, or who may miss one question on an exam and still receive a "B" grade (18/20 where each question is worth two points, for example). In addition, as we move to a Common Core set of uniform standards, our grading scale should be in line with the majority of the country.</p>		
<p>01-10</p>	<p>Erika Hooper Special Education Teacher Southside K-8 War WV</p>	<p>Weighted grades are good. Testing a student based on there independent level is the most important type of grade, but some students need to be assessed on how well they do with a partner. This might not be as important, but if you look at the CSO's they do have with support from the teachers or peers. This gives the teacher a better picture of when the student is the most successful and allows them to adjust their lessons or interventions to meet the needs of the students. It builds self esteem to make some students work a little harder, but allows the teacher to give more points to the projects and assignments that they did independently. Also, some assignments are not as important as others. For example, my group is working on sentences and we are identifying verbs and their functions. This is just a fraction of the CSO but still needs to be covered. With weighted grades I could give the mini lesson less weight then the</p>	<p>N/0</p>	

		overall goal of creating a complex quality sentence. Both tasks are important but one is more complex and takes more effort and knowledge than the other.		
01-10	Laura Freeman Parent Morgantown WV	I agree that weighted grades are necessary for Advanced Placement, Advanced Career Courses and international Baccalaureate courses to reward those students who want to take more advanced classes.	N/+	
01-10	Julie Breczynski-Lewis Research Assistant Professor Morgantown High School Morgantown WV	Yes, but adjusted for metric listed above.	N/0	
01-12	Moustafa M Meki Primary Patent Examiner United States Patent Office Morgantown WV	Dear Mr. Hull, Would you please consider to change the WV 7 pt. grading scale to the 10 pt. grading scale. This would help our kids to have better chances to be accepted in universities outside our WV state. The schools outside WV do not consider, not aware, and/or they don't have the time to do the calculations. Thank you Moustafa Meki	N/0	
01-12	Gehan I Emarah House wife N/A Morgantown WV	Honorable Superintendent Mr. Hull, I urge you to help us to change the WV 7 point grading scale to the 10 point grading scale. This would help our children to be accepted in	N/0	

			schools outside WV much easier. Thank you		
01-13	Pam Kasey Morgantown WV		Gehan Emarah We need to use the 10-point grading system that is used nearly everywhere else. My son is a very good student but the 7-point system is hurting his grade point average and I am certain, the longer it continues, will handicap him more and more against students from other places with regard to the universe of colleges he will be able to get into.	N/0	
01-13	Pamela Berryman School Nurse Monongalia Co. Schs. Morgantown WV		Yes I believe weighted grades are acceptable in AP classes only.	N/+	
01-13	Pauline Solomon Morgantown WV		Under the 7-point grading scale our students are greatly disadvantaged when it comes to GPA calculations as compared to students of other schools who are graded under a 10-point grading scale. I believe that the 10-point grading scale would definitely improve the chances of our students getting admission and scholarships when they apply to colleges and universities outside of our state. Thank you for your kind consideration.	N/0	

Cyndi Miller

From: Robert Hull [rhull@access.k12.wv.us]
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Name: Kevin Smith
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Title: Director
City/State: Wayne, WV
Role: School System Staff
Posted: 2014-01-06 12:38:57
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Comments for section 126-37-4 Weighted Grades

I would like some clarity as to what courses (and course codes) are considered Advanced Career Courses. The title is open to interpretation.

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Name: kackie eller
Organization: george washington high school
Title: counselor
City/State: Chas, wv
Role:
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Name: Michelle Leverage
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City/State: Morgantown, WV
Role: Teacher
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Comments for section 126-37-4 Weighted Grades

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Name: Matt Leroy
Organization: Mhs student
Title: Student
City/State: Morgantown, Wv
Role: Community Member
Posted: 2014-01-09 13:18:25
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Comments for section 126-37-4 Weighted Grades

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Name: Logan chapman
Organization:
Title:
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Name: Bailey
Organization: MHS Student
Title: Student
City/State: Morgantown, Wv
Role: Community Member
Posted: 2014-01-09 13:26:04
Posted from IP:

Comments for section 126-37-4 Weighted Grades

Dear, Robert E. Hall
Okay. This grading system is not fair at all. Every year i get criticized by my family for not getting a certain GPA... And my brother who goes to high school in Maryland, gets the EXACT SAME grades as me is honored for his performance. Hmm... We get the same grades but he has a higher GPA...? How does that work? Oh yeah. Here in West Virginia we have a 7 point grading scale. Honestly the 7 point grading scale just makes the students in WV look a less intelligent to other students across the country. I mean who looks at the number percentages? No one. At least colleges don't. All any one sees is the GPA which is based off the letter grade we get which is based off OUR 7 point grading school. So please do us all a favor and change it to the NORMAL 10 point grading scale. It will only do good for the students and help students get to better colleges.
Thank you for your time. Bailey Kane

Cyndi Miller

From: Robert Hull [rhull@access.k12.wv.us]
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Name: Lee Ann Boylstein
Organization:
Title:
City/State: Madsville, WV
Role: Parent-Family
Posted: 2014-01-09 21:02:13
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Comments for section 126-37-4 Weighted Grades

I believe we should be consistent across schools, counties, and state in grading our children in HS. I have a son who would have mostly A's however according to the scale at Morgantown High, he has B's. The colleges do not know this when his application will be reviewed. He is wanting to go to a Military academy and this will in the end hinder him. WE NEED to be consistent across the state. After all, most colleges are on the 10 pt scale, why should MHS be one of the few on a 7 pt scale?

Cyndi Miller

From: Robert Hull [rhull@access.k12.wv.us]
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Name: Christine Wang
Organization:
Title: parent
City/State: Morgantown, WV
Role: Parent-Family
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Comments for section 126-37-1 General

Most colleges do not recalculate grades so having a 7 point scale when most other states have a 10 point scale hurts WV kids. We already have disadvantages - let's not add to the problem unnecessarily! Why are we deliberately putting our kids at a disadvantage? it makes no sense at all.
Change the scale to a 10 point scale immediately!

Cyndi Miller

From: Robert Hull [rhull@access.k12.wv.us]
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Name: Jennifer Secreto
Organization: Morgantown High School
Title: English Honors Teacher
City/State: Morgantown, WV
Role: Teacher
Posted: 2014-01-10 08:09:19
Posted from IP:

Comments for section 126-37-4 Weighted Grades

We are doing our students in this state an injustice by using the 7 point grading scale. Many of our students are losing college scholarships to students from other states which use a 10-point scale. On a student's high school transcript, the only thing colleges see is the letter grade.
Therefore, a student in WV who has a 92% will show a "B" on his transcript while a student from a state which uses to 10-point scale will show a 92% as an "A." This just doesn't make any sense. Most universities that I am aware of use a 10-point scale, too. This seriously needs to be changed.

Cyndi Miller

From: Robert Hull [rhull@access.k12.wv.us]
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Name: Philip Michelbach
Organization: WVU
Title: Associate Professor of Political Science
City/State: Morgantown, WV
Role: Parent-Family
Posted: 2014-01-10 02:28:15
Posted from IP:

Comments for section 126-37-1 General

The current uniform grading scale disadvantages West Virginia students as they compete against students from other states for scholarships, jobs, and college admission. I can think of no rational reason to systematically and artificially depress grades for West Virginia students under the current uniform grading scale, where an "A" begins at 93% rather than 90%. West Virginia needs to put our students on an even playing field with students from other states by adopting the grading scale most commonly in use around the U.S.

Cyndi Miller

From: Robert Hull [rhull@access.k12.wv.us]
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Name: Susan Shumaker
Organization: Stone Circle Productions
Title: President
City/State: Morgantown, WV
Role: Community Member
Posted: 2014-01-10 00:26:36
Posted from IP:

Comments for section 126-37-1 General

I am in opposition to West Virginia's current grading scale system, in which the lowest A grade is a 93 and the lowest B grade is an 85. The most common grading system nation-wide is the ten-point scale. In fact, WV is one of only six states employing this more stringent scale -- and yet, we have adopted a national curricula. These measures put West Virginia's students -- especially our best students -- at a clear competitive disadvantage when applying to colleges. As a former recruiter for my alma matter, Harvard University, I have seen WV students suffer, in practice, for just this reason. When a student applies to a competitive school, the first thing he or she is judged on is GPA. If that GPA falls below a predetermined mark (e.g., 3.8), the student's application is discarded immediately, before any extenuating circumstances in the grading scale can be discovered, let alone the student's class schedule or entrance essay. This kind of aggressive weeding out of application!

s is commonplace, as admissions officers need an easy way to cut down the thousands of applications they receive. It is discouraging that a student from West Virginia would not have an equal chance to compete against students from other states because of an administrative decision made by our school system. In my opinion, we should be helping our most talented students earn the acclaim and the top notch educations they deserve, rather than crippling them, and making it more difficult for them to achieve. I hope you will please reconsider, and allow West Virginia to join the many states that have recently re-adopted a ten-point grading scale, to be in line with other states and with colleges nationwide. Thank you.

Cyndi Miller

From: Robert Hull [rhull@access.k12.wv.us]
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Name: Paola Pergami
Organization:
Title: MD
City/State: Morgantown, Wv
Role: Parent-Family
Posted: 2014-01-10 08:31:39
Posted from IP:

Comments for section 126-37-1 General

The 7 grade scale puts our students at a disadvantage as they apply for scholarships and admissions to universities outside West Virginia. We should move to 10 grade scale like most state in the US

Cyndi Miller

From: Robert Hull [rhull@access.k12.wv.us]
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Name: Kathy Luck
Organization:
Title:
City/State: Morgantown, WV
Role: Parent-Family
Posted: 2014-01-10 08:39:44
Posted from IP:

Comments for section 126-37-1 General

In 2011 we moved to West Virginia from Texas where our 3 older children attended the public high schools which used a 10 point grading scale. I first felt the impact of the 7 point scale when our 4th child earned his first and so far only B (a 92.4) at Morgantown High -- on one hand I was proud of him for earning a 92.4 but on the other hand I felt sorry for him that this was considered a B -- especially when in Texas and now I'm learning 43 other states this B would be considered an A. It is so competitive these days for high school students, why do we in West Virginia have to make it more difficult that it needs to be? Let's move into the future with a 10 point grading scale for our West Virginia students and enable them to better compete nationally with their peers.

Cyndi Miller

From: Robert Hull [rhull@access.k12.wv.us]
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Subject: FW: Comment Received for Policy 2515 (2014-01-10 09:03:35)

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Name: Susan Crayne
Organization:
Title:
City/State: Morgantown, WV
Role: Parent-Family
Posted: 2014-01-10 09:03:35
Posted from IP:

Comments for section 126-37-4 Weighted Grades

I would like to post my opposition to 7 point grading scale. WV is putting our kids at a disadvantage with colleges. Colleges and employers do NOT take the time to convert these grades and take our tougher grading into account when looking at GPAs. Why are we putting our children at a disadvantage when a simple change would take care of the problem. rnrnThis is a very important issue that is working against our kids. Colleges, especially those far from Morgantown, are not familiar with our more stringent grading system, and will disregard our students' applications based solely on GPA, without taking the time to look more closely at the classes taken, let alone their personal essays. rnrnPlease make the change to the standard 10 point grading scale to help our students have an equal and fair chance at college admission, rather than handicapping them. I completely understand and support having high standards, but am personally against the 7 pt. scale. I feel it puts our st!

udents at a disadvantage as they apply for scholarships and admissions to universities outside West Virginia. There is no way for a college or scholarship agency to distinguish between a student who receives an 80% "B" in one state and a student who receives a 92% "A" in West Virginia by looking their transcript. The 7 pt. grading scale is unforgiving to students who may do poorly on just one major assignment or test, or who may miss one question on an exam and still receive a "B" grade (18/20 where each question is worth two points, for example). In addition, as we move to a Common Core set of uniform standards, our grading scale should be in line with the majority of the country.

Cyndi Miller

From: Robert Hull [rhull@access.k12.wv.us]
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Name: Erika Hooper
Organization: Southside K-8
Title: Special Education Teacher
City/State: War, WV
Role: Teacher
Posted: 2014-01-10 09:43:27
Posted from IP:

Comments for section 126-37-1 General

We use a 1 to 4 grading system based on the CSO, but the parents are unable to understand the grades because they do not understand the CSOs. The purpose of grading is to inform the parents on how well their child is doing in school and this system they do not know that their child is failing or just getting by and about to fail. We call home and talk to parents but not all listen because the report card makes them look like they are ok when they are just getting by. mI do not know if A, B, C, are the answer but parents understand it better. Also it gives the student a chance to see if they are in the top or just below and might need to work just a bit to make their scores higher. We forget about the students who want to do good and the 1, 2, 3, 4 grading system does not reflect how close they are to getting the next grade. mThe third reason is that the CSO are designed for what the student's need to know at the end of the year. Most students are not at the 3 or 4 but will!

be buy the end of the year. Using the numbers makes it look like they are not where they should be, but in reality they are. rnThe fourth and final reason is teacher do not all grade the same. One student is doing OK and the teacher gives them a 3 because they do not want them to get discouraged, but they feel confidant the student is at grade level, while the teacher next door is reading the CSO's and giving them the grade based on the information provided. In my school there has not been training on how to grade based on standards so it is not all accurate.

Comments for section 126-37-4 Weighted Grades

Weighted grades are good. Testing a student based on their independent level is the most important type of grade, but some students need to be assessed on how well they do with a partner. This might not be as important, but if you look at the CSO's they do have with support from the teachers or peers.

This gives the teacher a better picture of when the student is the most successful and allows them to adjust their lessons or interventions to meet the needs of the students. It builds self esteem to make some students work a little harder, but allows the teacher to give more points to the projects and assignments that they did independently. Also, some assignments are not as important as others. For example, my group is working on sentences and we are identifying verbs and their functions. This is just a fraction of the CSO but still needs to be covered. With weighted grades I could give the mini lesson less weight than the overall goal of creating a complex quality sentence.!

Both tasks are important but one is more complex and takes more effort and knowledge than the other.

Cyndi Miller

From: Robert Hull [rhull@access.k12.wv.us]
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Name: Laura Freeman
Organization:
Title: Parent
City/State: Morgantown, WV
Role: Parent-Family
Posted: 2014-01-10 10:05:46
Posted from IP:

Comments for section 126-37-1 General

While I agree that weighted grades are necessary for Advanced Career Courses, I believe that West Virginia's non-weighted course grading scale should follow a 10 point grading system similiar to other states. Nationwide GPAs are traditionally based off of a 10 point scale. A grading scale narrower than other states puts our children at a disadvantage for college admissions.

Comments for section 126-37-4 Weighted Grades

I agree that weighted grades are necessary for Advanced Placement, Advanced Career Courses and international Baccalaureate courses to reward those students who want to take more advanced classes.

Cyndi Miller

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Name: Sha'Quonda
Organization:
Title: Dr.
City/State: Welch, , WV
Role: Community Member
Posted: 2014-01-10 12:00:10
Posted from IP:

Comments for section 126-37-1 General

I was selling kool aid to a brotha when he said ma momma won't lemme buy da kool aid cause of my grades. He had a 63!
That's some good grades! Now how is that failing! Back in ma day I got a 37 and passed. Please change the rules to
support business like me.

Cyndi Miller

From: Robert Hull [rhull@access.k12.wv.us]
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Name: Susan
Organization:
Title:
City/State: Morgantown, WV
Role: Parent-Family
Posted: 2014-01-10 11:47:40
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Comments for section 126-37-1 General

I have a daughters named Kim. She is getting a Bee in a class witch she need A. She have 90.2 and she need 93. This not fair. My daughters needs to go to MIT. They will only see Bee but other peoples from pensilvania will have 90 and have that A. This is not fair to my daughters. Please change the grade or else she will have to commit seppuku because we are Asian. Please help my daughters go to MIT and have good life.

Cyndi Miller

From: Robert Hull [rhull@access.k12.wv.us]
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Name: Jeff Hoffman
Organization: Morgantown High
Title: teacher
City/State: Morgantown, WV
Role: School System Staff
Posted: 2014-01-10 11:45:31
Posted from IP:

Comments for section 126-37-1 General

The grading scale used in our high schools is unfair. Kids attempting to obtain scholarships, are graded on a different scales than their competitors for the same honors.

Cyndi Miller

From: Robert Hull [rhull@access.k12.wv.us]
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Name: Julie Brefczynski-Lewis
Organization: Morgantown High School
Title: Research Assistant Professor
City/State: Morgantown , WV
Role: Parent-Family
Posted: 2014-01-10 16:53:05
Posted from IP:

Comments for section 126-37-1 General

The current grading system is an unfair disadvantage for WV student compared to other state school systems. It should be
90-100 A, 80-89 B, 70-79 C,
60-69 D, else F.

Comments for section 126-37-4 Weighted Grades

Yes, but adjusted for metric listed above.

Cyndi Miller

From: Robert Hull [rhull@access.k12.wv.us]
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Name: Mary Pettit
Organization:
Title:
City/State: Morgantown, WV
Role: Community Member
Posted: 2014-01-10 16:56:28
Posted from IP:

Comments for section 126-37-1 General

How does this compare to other states? Florida Statute 1003.437 has 90-100 A, 80-89 B, 70-79 C, 60-69 D and 0-59 F. It seems we are hurting our own children by a tougher grading score system. This does not reflect well on our state.

Cyndi Miller

From: Robert Hull [rhull@access.k12.wv.us]
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Name: Emily
Organization:
Title:
City/State: ,
Role: School System Staff
Posted: 2014-01-10 22:14:28
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Comments for section 126-37-1 General

As a student, I feel as if the 7 point grading scale is unjust and borderline cruel. With this system, I currently have 6 Bs on my transcript, 4 of which were well above 90%. However, an admissions officer or other administrative official would not be able to note this distinction, giving me the heightened probability of being eliminated from contention for scholarships, colleges, and other academic quests. As an AP student, I have found it highly offensive that even my AP classes follow this scale, with my two 91% Bs in "college level classes" to be extremely damaging, as colleges do grade on a 10 point scale in the first place! For the sake of my peers' and I well-beings, both academically and mentally, I implore the state of West Virginia to right this wrong.

Cyndi Miller

From: Robert Hull [rhull@access.k12.wv.us]
Sent: Monday, January 13, 2014 11:35 AM
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Comments for section 126-37-1 General

I believe West Virginia should be consistent with the majority of the states who subscribe to the 10 point grading system. There should be uniformity amongst all states. The 7 point grading scale has the potential to adversely affect WV students with college admission applications when compared to other students from states that use the more widely used 10 point grading scale as it would theoretically impact overall GPA. Please adopt and implement the 10 point grading scale!!!!

Cyndi Miller

From: Robert Hull [rhull@access.k12.wv.us]
Sent: Monday, January 13, 2014 11:36 AM
To: cmiller@access.k12.wv.us
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Our children are at a disadvantage when it comes time for them to apply for colleges due to our state's current 7-point grading scale. By switching to the 10-point grading scale, they will be able to compete fairly with students from other states as they will be on a level playing field. It is unfair for a child to be seen as inferior to a student who has an A with a 92 percent when he or she has the same 92 percent but with the letter grade showing he or she earned a B. Colleges focus on letter grades, not percentages, further justifying why our children's schooling system should switch to the 10-point grading scale.

Cyndi Miller

From: Robert Hull [rhull@access.k12.wv.us]
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Role: Parent-Family
Posted: 2014-01-12 22:10:00
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Comments for section 126-37-4 Weighted Grades

Dear Mr. Hull,Would you please consider to change the WV 7 pt. grading scale to the 10 pt. grading scale. This would help our kids to have better chances to be accepted in universities outside our WV state. The schools outside WV do not consider, not aware, and/or they don't have the time to do the calculations.Thank youMoustafa Mekey

Cyndi Miller

From: Robert Hull [rhull@access.k12.wv.us]
Sent: Monday, January 13, 2014 11:37 AM
To: cmiller@access.k12.wv.us
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Name: Gehan I Emarah
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Title: House wife
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Role: Parent-Family
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Comments for section 126-37-4 Weighted Grades

Honorable Superintendent Mr. Hull, I urge you to help us to change the WV 7 point grading scale to the 10 point grading scale. This would help our children to be accepted in schools outside WV much easier. Thank you
Gehan Emarah

Cyndi Miller

From: Robert Hull [rhull@access.k12.wv.us]
Sent: Monday, January 13, 2014 11:38 AM
To: cmiller@access.k12.wv.us
Subject: FW: Comment Received for Policy 2515 (2014-01-13 06:27:37)

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Name: Pam Kasey
Organization:
Title:
City/State: Morgantown, WV
Role: Parent-Family
Posted: 2014-01-13 06:27:37
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Comments for section 126-37-1 General

yes

Comments for section 126-37-4 Weighted Grades

We need to use the 10-point grading system that is used nearly everywhere else. My son is a very good student but the 7-point system is hurting his grade point average and I am certain, the longer it continues, will handicap him more and more against students from other places with regard to the universe of colleges he will be able to get into.

Cyndi Miller

From: Robert Hull [rhull@access.k12.wv.us]
Sent: Monday, January 13, 2014 11:38 AM
To: cmiller@access.k12.wv.us
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Comments for section 126-37-1 General

I believe ALL teachers should be required to use the same grading scale as advised by the State. There is inconsistency from teacher to teacher. I can understand that honors classes would have a different scale as well as AP classes, but otherwise all teachers should be required to follow the same grading scale.

Comments for section 126-37-4 Weighted Grades

Yes I believe weighted grades are acceptable in AP classes only.

Cyndi Miller

From: Robert Hull [rhull@access.k12.wv.us]
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Name: Pauline Solomon
Organization:
Title:
City/State: Morgantown, WV
Role: Parent-Family
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Comments for section 126-37-4 Weighted Grades

Under the 7-point grading scale our students are greatly disadvantaged when it comes to GPA calculations as compared to students of other schools who are graded under a 10-point grading scale. I believe that the 10-point grading scale would definitely improve the chances of our students getting admission and scholarships when they apply to colleges and universities outside of our state. Thank you for your kind consideration.