



What is PowerSchool and how will it be used this year to support students and drive results?

PowerSchool, like Class Dojo, is an online platform that allows for parents and students to monitor student success at KIPP Tulsa. However, PowerSchool is not used to monitor student behavior, but, instead, student academic achievement.

By logging into the system, you will be able to see your scholar's grades for each class. By clicking on any of the class grades, PowerSchool will break down the grade into the individual grades that your scholar has earned. Parents will be able to clearly see what areas of growth are needed for their scholar and communicate with teachers in order to drive student achievement. There are three types of grades that account for your student's overall grade at KIPP Tulsa: quiz grades, homework, and unit exams. We are using a weighted grading system this year, meaning that quiz grades will account for 45% of the final grade, unit exams will account for 50%, and homework will account for the last 5%. Quizzes will be graded using a standards-based grading format, meaning that each quiz will cover specific content from the state standards. The standard for each quiz is detailed in the assignment description in PowerSchool. Quiz grades may be improved by attending tutoring after school! Unit exams and homework can only be made up based on the discretion of the classroom teacher.

For a more detailed explanation of KIPP Tulsa's grading policies, please refer to your 2015-16 Family Handbook. You should have received parent and student login information for PowerSchool during Parent Academy. A copy of the information was also sent home with your scholar. If you need this information, please come into the main office where Ms. Burke will be able to assist you, call 918.794.8652, ext. 100 or email mburke@kipptulsa.org.