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Dear Parents.

At ACPA, we use a **5-point grading scale**, which means students will earn a score of 0-5 on individual assignments. The purpose of the 5-point scale versus traditional grading scales is to better communicate messages about student performance, growth and progress and help students work towards mastering the skills of particular arts and academic disciplines.

When you and your student look at PowerSchool, please focus only on the 0-5 score and the letter grade. Percentages in PowerSchool should be disregarded because PowerSchool assumes the use of traditional grading scales and this is something we do not have the capability to change.

When students earn a percentage score in class, they will be translated according to the chart below. All ACPA classes will use this scale. *Also pay attention to the level of mastery that corresponds to the 0-5 score*.

**5 A** / Mastery 90-100%

**4 B** / Accomplished 80-89%

**3 C** / Developing 66-79%

**2 D** / Beginning 46-65%

**1 F** / No Understanding 1-45%

**0 F** / No Credit Earned 0 credit / did not submit

Thank you, **ACPA Administration**