

# CHECKING GRADES SUPPORT DOC

## NeoCity Academy

### The List View

Once in Canvas you will see your dashboard. We recommend students use the **List View** [1]. To change to List View, click the three stacked dots in the top right and choose List View.

In the List View, students will be able see their assignments in all courses by due date with the course title and assignment clearly visible to them [2]. Here, students will also be able to see what is missing and what is late, missing, or graded [3].

The screenshot shows the Canvas dashboard interface. At the top, it says "Dashboard" and "Beginning of Your To-Do History". There are navigation icons for "Today", a plus sign, a calendar, a notification bell with a "1", and a menu icon. A dropdown menu is open, showing "Dashboard View", "Card View", "List View" (which is selected and has a checkmark), and "Recent Activity".

Below the dashboard, there are four assignment cards for the course "PD - NEOC - GRADING AT NEOCITY V.2":

- Friday, April 15:** "Short Essay Response - Compromise and Failure (5.4, 5.6)". A callout "1" points to the "List View" option in the dropdown menu.
- Friday, April 22:** "Flipgrid - Regional Differences Response (5.5)". A callout "2" points to the assignment card.
- Friday, April 29:** "Discussion - Political Candidates Election of 1860 (5.7, 5.9)". A callout "3" points to the "GRADED" and "MISSING" status indicators.
- Friday, May 6:** "Essay - Regional Differences and Election Impact (5.5, 5.7)".

### Checking Grades for One Course

Once in the course they want to check grades for, click **Grades** from the left navigation.

We recommend that students use the "Arrange By" drop down to choose Due Date to sort. Choose Due Date from the menu and click "Apply".

The screenshot shows the "Grades for NEIL ARMSTRONG" page. At the top, it says "Grades for NEIL ARMSTRONG". Below that, there is an "Arrange By" dropdown menu. The menu is open, showing options: "Assignment Group", "Due Date" (which is selected and highlighted in blue), and "Name". There is an "Apply" button next to the dropdown. Below the menu, there is a table with columns "Name" and "Due".

Name	Due
Learning Mastery Standards (Transferred from Learning Mastery Gradebook)	May 26 by 11:59pm
Short Essay Response - Compromise and Failure (5.4, 5.6) Assignments	Apr 15 by 11:59pm

**New This Year!** Students will be able to see their grades in real-time in Canvas once an assignment and its aligned outcomes are graded.

Once sorted by Due Date [1], students will see their Assignments (where they submitted work) on top and the corresponding outcomes at the end – Learning Mastery Outcomes all have a due date of the end of the current quarter.

Students will also see several important pieces of information, such as status (missing, late, etc.), score (checkmark means complete, X means no submission), and any feedback using the icons. These Assignments are scored on our Proficiency Scale so you will see the total out of zero but opening the assignment will show you the score.

The Learning Mastery Outcomes [3] are the outcomes (standards) that we guide our standards-based grading system at NeoCity Academy. The Learning Mastery Outcomes align with Assignments. You can see, for example, the Flipgrid – Regional Differences assignment assessed Outcome 5.5 – you will see Outcome 5.5 assessed below with a score of 85 – which is Nearing Proficient on our Proficiency Scale (see appendix).

Arrange By

Due Date

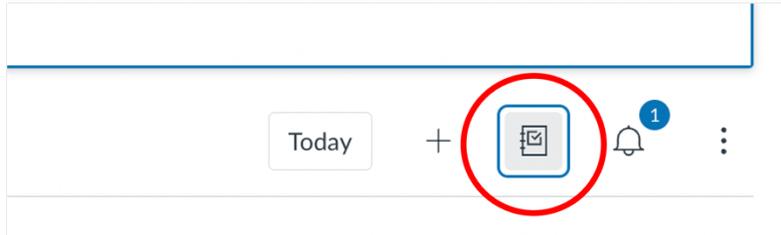
Name	Due	Status	Score	Out of
Short Essay Response - Compromise and Failure (5.4, 5.6) Assignments	Apr 15 by 11:59pm		✓	0
Flipgrid - Regional Differences Response (5.5) Assignments	Apr 22 by 11:59pm		✓	0
Discussion - Political Candidates Election of 1860 (5.7, 5.9) Assignments	Apr 29 by 11:59pm	MISSING	×	0
Essay - Regional Differences and Election Impact (5.5, 5.7) Assignments	May 6 by 11:59pm		✓	0
APUSH 5.4 Learning Mastery Standards (Transferred from Learning Mastery Gradebook)	May 26 by 11:59pm		85	100
APUSH 5.5 Learning Mastery Standards (Transferred from Learning Mastery Gradebook)	May 26 by 11:59pm		85	100
APUSH 5.6 Learning Mastery Standards (Transferred from Learning Mastery Gradebook)	May 26 by 11:59pm		75	100
APUSH 5.7 Learning Mastery Standards (Transferred from Learning Mastery Gradebook)	May 26 by 11:59pm		85	100
APUSH 5.9 Learning Mastery Standards (Transferred from Learning Mastery Gradebook)	May 26 by 11:59pm		55	100
Assignments			N/A	0.00 / 0.00
Learning Mastery Standards (Transferred from Learning Mastery Gradebook)			77%	385.00 / 500.00
Total			77%	

**New This Year! Note:** All Learning Mastery Outcomes will automatically sync to Focus each night with any grade changes. Students should always check Canvas first, but Focus should be a near match.

## Checking Grades for All Courses

From the Dashboard, students can click the Gradebook icon in the top right corner. A side panel will appear with summative grades for all courses.

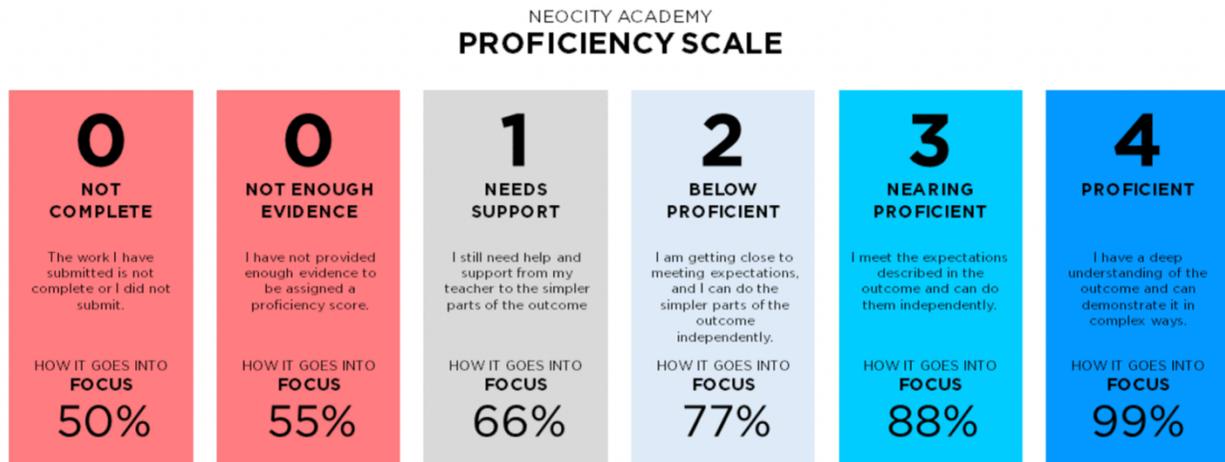
Students may click on the course title to take a deep dive into those course grades.



## Why Outcomes?

At NeoCity Academy, we believe that traditional grades where a student does an assignment and get a grade on an assignment is not purposeful. Traditional grades tell a student and their family nothing about their learning.

At NeoCity Academy, our students still do assignments and receive a proficiency score – proficient being the goal. The assignment is given a score on a 4-point scale on a rubric that aligns to one of the proficiency ratings below.



We then take these ratings and convert them into a percentage score and correlates with where a student is in their learning on that outcome. You will see grades in Focus reported as outcomes, not assignments.

This system, while different from the status quo, is foundational to the work that we believe in – student learning, not a grade, is the most important part of the schooling process.