

# **Mastery-Based Learning**

## What is Mastery-Based Learning?

Mastery-Based Learning refers to systems of instruction, assessment, grading, parental communication, and academic reporting that are based on students demonstrating understanding or mastery of the knowledge and skills they are expected to learn as they progress through their education.



### Why is Colonial using MBL?

We believe Mastery Based Learning will significantly improve:



#### understanding

Our understanding of student learning as it relates to their progress.



#### personalize

The design of our lessons and ability to personalize instruction



#### communicate

Our communication with parents about their child's progress.

## Traditional Learning vs. MBL

Traditional Learning

**Mastery Based Learning** 

**Fixed** Mindset of Learning



**Growth** Mindset of Learning

Focus On **Grades** 



Focus On Learning

Learning Behaviors (effort, completion, attitude, etc... **Included** in Grade



Learning Behaviors **Reported Separately** as "Approaches to Learning"

**Single** Measure Used to Determine Progress



**Multiple** Measures Used to Determine Progress

## Reporting progress towards mastery

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Progress Reports January & June 2

Parent Conferences
Fall & Spring

## **Communicating progress:**



Schoology



Parent Portal

- Friday Notes
  - e-mail
- Remind 101
- Class Dojo

## **How is Student Progress Tracked?**



Student assignments are aligned to content standards

Students are assessed on the standards

Teacher determines student proficiency on the standards

Complimentary standards are grouped together to create grading categories.

Students proficiency is displayed in reporting category

If you have any questions or if you're interested in participating in the Parent Focus group for this school year, please email: Dr. Nick Baker, Supervisor of Curriculum nicholas.baker@colonial.k12.de.us