

PURPOSE: To provide clarity for students who receive a grade below “Outstanding” in their work service evaluations.

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SECTION TWO (REASONING):

Many students who receive grades below “Outstanding” for work service are not provided with clear explanations of what was done incorrectly or what needs improvement in their assigned areas. As a result, students often feel confused and frustrated. Without this crucial feedback, they cannot identify or correct their mistakes, which perpetuates lower work service grades.

While students have the option to seek clarification from ~~Ms. Latoya~~ **their work service advisor**, her **their** busy schedules makes it difficult to accommodate all inquiries. For greater convenience and transparency, the individual responsible for grading work service should write a brief explanation of any negative grade directly on the student’s work service report. This explanation does not need to be extensive; it only needs to specify what needs to be addressed or improved.

SECTION THREE (SPECIFIC CHANGE):

On page 56 of the Student Handbook (PDF page 62), under the section “**MSMS NON-ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS FOR GRADUATION**” the following should be changed to:

MSMS NON-ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS FOR GRADUATION

Work Service

A work service grade will be assigned and reported on quarterly grade reports. ~~When making a grade below Outstanding, an explanation will be written on the student’s card for clarity an explanation will be provided to the student.~~ This grade is not used in calculating GPA; however, it is taken into consideration when assigning privileges and extending the invitation to return. A student who fails to complete work service for a 9-week grading period will be placed on an Individualized Assistance Plan for the next 9-week grading period. A student who completes the school year with any make-up hours due must complete his obligation before an invitation to return is extended or before a diploma is issued.