# Standards-Based Grading

# **Fourth Grade Instructions**

# **GRADING STANDARDS**

Standards are found in PowerTeacher Pro in their related subject areas.

## Navigating to the Standards page in PowerTeacher Pro:

- Sign in to your **PowerTeacher** Account.
- In upper right hand corner Choose the correct grading period.
- Using the class selector in the navigation bar, **choose the section** to enter grades.
- After choosing the class, click on the **Grading tab** on the left, and choose **Standards**.

Note: On the Report Card, Language Arts Comprehension is tied to your Reading section. The language section of Language Arts and Writing are tied to your Language Arts section.

Hint: Hovering within the standard will reveal the entire text of the box

## How to enter grades:

- For a single entry grade, click in the cell and the Score Inspector panel will appear on the right.
- The Score Inspector allows options for editing grades and allows for scrolling through the students or the standards.

## **Teacher Comments:**

- The Teacher Comments section of the Report Card pulls from the comments entered in the Personal/Social Subject area. One comment per grading period. Comments have a limit of 300 characters.
- Comments from Specials Teachers: One comment per grading period will print on the Report Card. There is limited space on the report card for these comments.

Save before leaving the grade book.

# ATTACHING STANDARDS TO ASSIGNMENTS

Teachers can either enter standards-based final grades manually, or attach standards to assignments and auto-calculate standards-based scores from assignment scores. This happens when you create an assignment in the Gradebook and attach the related standards to the assignment. By default, a "mean" calculation method is used to figure the Standards scores.

# VIEWING AND REPORTING STANDARDS SCORES

Once a teacher has entered standards grades, the grades are available immediately in PowerSchool. You can choose several different ways to view standards grades and run reports on standards.

- **Navigate to the Quick Lookup** student page and click the Standards Grades tab Parents and students see the same information on the Grades and Attendance page.
- **Navigate to the Standards student page** to review standards scores organized by section, or to change the student's historical standards final grades and comments.

## **RUNNING REPORTS**

## To run the Report Card:

#### In PowerTeacher:

Click **Reports** in the Navigation pane on the left. In the drop down window, click the **Standards Report Card – Grade > Submit** On the Report Queue Page you will see the report running. Click the Blue Refresh Button until the status changes to **Completed.** Then click the **View** link.

A pdf report will open. In the Print options, choose the pages and the **option Fit to page**. Click Print.

## **JUST A REMINDER:**

For additional PowerTeacher Pro Gradebook help, please see the PowerTeacher Pro Live Binder on the staff page of the district website. There you will find videos and documents, along with tips and tricks to help you navigate PowerTeacher Pro gradebook.