

END-OF-COURSE FINAL GRADE

As the end of the 2014-2015 school year quickly approaches, Blanche Ely High School would like to thank you for all that you do to support your child's education. As the parent or guardian of a current student in **Algebra I, Geometry, Algebra II**, we want to provide you with the latest information regarding requirements for the state's End-of-Course (EOC) assessments.

Recently, **HB 7069** was signed into law, requiring the Florida Standards Assessments (FSA) to undergo a validity study. Due to the validity study, the FSA EOC assessment results for **Algebra I, Geometry or Algebra II** will not be available until next school year. As a result, the Florida Department of Education has directed districts to not include the EOC as 30 percent of final course grades for students in the 2014-2015 school year.

To calculate final grades for students in **Algebra I, Geometry, or Algebra II**, without the EOC score, Broward County Public Schools, will increase the value of each quarterly marking period grade from 15% of the final grade, to 22.5%. Students' midterm exam will continue to count as 10% of their final grade.

When the EOC results for **Algebra I, Geometry, and Algebra II** become available, Broward County Public School will recalculate student grades with the EOC counting as 30% of students' final grades. If a student's grade improves with the inclusion of the EOC score, the student's transcript will be adjusted to reflect the highest grade earned. Students will **not** be penalized if including the EOC (as 30% of the final grade) would result in a lower grade for the student.

Broward County Public Schools is committed to educating all students to reach their highest potential. For additional information or questions regarding EOC grading, please contact your child's guidance counselor at 754-322-0950.