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Dear Parents and Guardians,

Grant Career Center has always endeavored to provide students with the best methods of instruction to prepare them for their future careers. Teachers at Grant Career Center use a mastery-based learning approach in their classrooms. Students are instructed in each class on specific standards that need to be mastered to be successful. Basically, focus on the most important concepts/skills and make sure students have the time and learning experiences to master those important standards. They will have the opportunity to work on these throughout the quarter until they have mastered the standard.

The focus of the mastery-based learning approach is on the learning and not on the grading. Grades will still be given, but they will be based on the level of mastery the students will demonstrate. Students will work throughout the quarter on the important learning concepts for each class. Students will have multiple types of learning opportunities to work toward mastery of the concepts and skills for each class. Once a student takes an assessment they will be placed at a level based on their understanding of the standards. Grades will be given once the student has demonstrated their level of proficiency for each standard. Teachers have determined the important concepts and skills that need to be mastered for their content areas and will list the standards in our on-line grade book, Progress Book, at the beginning of each quarter. You will see your child's progress in Progress Book based on the level they are achieving. The levels and the corresponding letter grades are on the back of this letter. An interim grade will be given and a final holistic grade will be given at the end of the quarter based on the level of mastery of the standards. Students are in charge of their learning and grades with this model and have until the end of each grading quarter to demonstrate mastery.

If you have any questions throughout the year on the content students are learning, please contact their teacher. As always thank you for the opportunity to help prepare your young adult on their journey to a career.

Sincerely,

Barry Daulton