AERIES GRADEBOOK SERIES



Gradebook Options, Add Category
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Students

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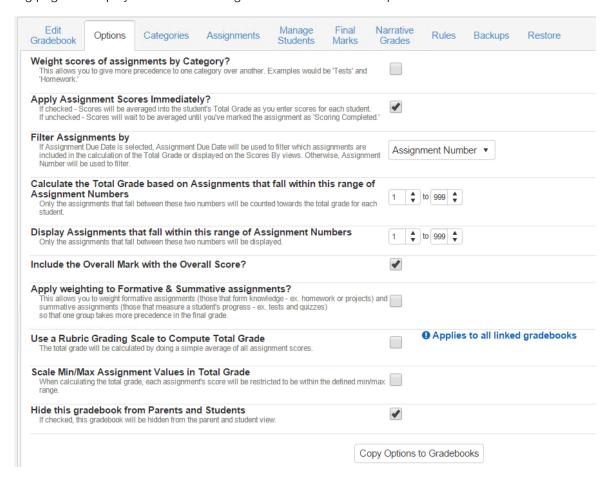
In some instances there are features outlined that your district may not adopt. For any questions or clarification on what your district is currently using please speak with your district Aeries administrator.

Gradebook Options

The **Options** form allows you to select various options for each gradebook.

NOTE: If using multiple Gradebook Terms the following options all apply to all terms of the gradebook.

Click the mouse on **Manage Gradebooks** from the dashboard page. Click the mouse on the **Options** tab. The following page will display with the selected gradebook name on the top of the form



- Weight Scores of Assignments by Category this option indicates whether or not total points grading or weighted type grading is used to determine students' overall grades.
- Apply Assignment Scores Immediately normally a score will not count toward a student's overall grade until the Grading Completed checkbox for an assignment is checked. This option will make any assignment with a score count in the overall mark no matter what the Grading Completed. This option will default On for new gradebooks.
- Filter Assignments by
 - Assignment Due Date
 - Assignment Number

Gradebook Options Continued

If **Assignment Due Date** is selected, Assignment Due Date will be used to filter which assignments are included in the calculation of the Total Grade or displayed on the Scores By views. Otherwise, Assignment Number will be used to filter.

Note: The following dates will apply to the overall gradebook and not the specific terms. Please use caution when changing the dates or assignment numbers and also using multiple gradebook terms.

• Calculate Total Grade based on Assignments that fall within this date range - Only the assignments that fall between these two dates will be counted towards the total grades for each student.

Used if a gradebook spans multiple grading periods and only a subset of the assignments should be used to calculate the current total grade.

- Calculate Total Grade based on Assignments that fall within this range of Assignment Numbers low and high assignment numbers to count in students' total/overall grade. Used if a gradebook spans
 multiple grading periods and only a subset of the assignments should be used to calculate the current total
 grade.
- Display Assignments that fall within this date range Only the assignments that fall between these two
 dates will be displayed.
- Display Assignments that fall within this range of Assignment Numbers Only the assignments that fall between these two numbers will be displayed.
- Include the Overall Mark with the Overall Score displays the letter grade along with the students overall percentage. This option is also available on the **Final Marks** tab.
- Apply weighting to Formative & Summative Assignments this option allows teachers to weight
 Formative and Summative Assignments separately in calculating the overall grade for the class or for a
 standard.

The system will first use total points and weighted categories (if enabled) to determine a percentage for "Formative" and "Summative" assignments and then will use the defined weight factors to produce a final score. Click on the arrows or drag the slider to the desired percentages.



Gradebook Options Continued

• Use a Rubric Grading Scale to Compute Total Grade: This option will accommodate rubric scoring. When this gradebook option is selected, all assignments will default to Rubric scoring. Values entered will be averaged and percentages will not display. The calculations for rubric grading changes from a system where every assignment's score and max score is added up and divided to get a percentage to a system where only the rubric values are added up and then divided by the number of items totaled.

Below is an example of a rubric gradebook with 3 assignments and the calculations for the average:

#1 ACEVES, ALEXI 3 ASSIGNMENTS TOTALING 12 DIVIDED BY 3 = 4.0 #2 AGUIAR, ALLISON 3 ASSIGNMENTS TOTALING 10 DIVIDED BY 3 = 3.3 #3 ARIZA, JAYDEN 3 ASSIGNMENTS TOTALING 5 DIVIDED BY 3 = 1.6

				▼ Class Project	▼ Assessment	▼Class Work 1.1	
				✓ 6/17/2014 #1	✓ 6/17/2014 #2	✓ 6/17/2014 #3	
	Name	Grade	Avg				
1	Aceves, Alexia Camille	1	4.0	4	4	4	
2	Aguiar, Allison Rose	1	3.3	3	4	3	
3	Ariza, Jayden Michael Joseph	1	1.6		2	3	

NOTE: The **Rubric** option should only be used on new gradebooks and not on existing gradebooks with scores already submitted.

Even with the Rubric option selected, assignments can be added and the Rubric option can be deselected at the assignment level. These non-rubric assignments will not calculate into the student's total average

Gradebook Options Continued

• Scale Min/Max Assignment Values in Total Grade: This option allows teachers to implement what is commonly known as a Scale. When defined, assignments that would normally count above or below the assigned range are brought into the range when the system calculates the "value" of the assignment. This allows teachers to leave an assignment missing or give a low grade, but have that assignment still count as 50%. This can be a tool used to lessen the impact of the "Double 0 Problem" with missing or poorly completed assignments. This option cannot be used with the "Doing Rubric" option.

If using the Min/Max Assignment Values option, all scores will display as they were entered in the scores field but the Total Percent column will calculate on the Min or Max value if the score goes below or above the set values.



In the example below, the first 2 students have scores below the min value of 50%. The total Percent calculates based on the minimum value instead of the actual score. The 4th student has a score above the maximum value of 100%. Her total percent calculates based on the maximum value of 100% instead of the actual score of 110.

	Math		
Student	Gr	Perc	#1: 100
Alavez, Abel Benny	4	50.00%	10 - 10%
Alvarez, Haggit Briana	4	50.00%	0 - 0%
Bell, Ryan Justin	4	89.00%	89 - 89%
Byl, Ashley Brandy	4	100.00%	110 - 110%
Carr, Danielle Kristen	4	50.00%	

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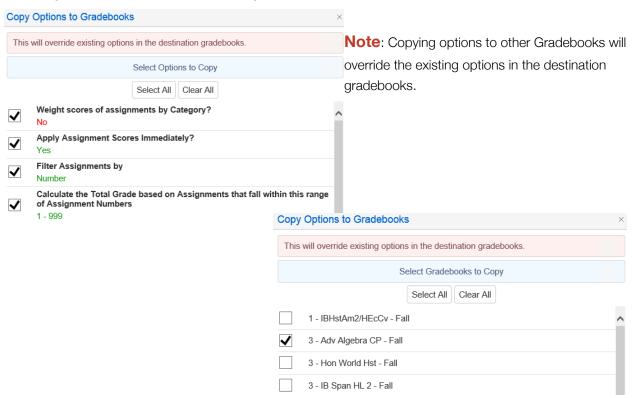
- Hide this gradebook from Parents and Students If selected, this option will allow a gradebook to be hidden from the Parent and Student portals. This option is only available if enabled by the Aeries District System Administrator.
- The Gradebook Options area has a Copy Options to Gradebooks button. This option allows a teacher to
 copy the current gradebooks options to other gradebooks. To copy options, click the mouse on the Copy
 Options to Gradebooks button.

Note: Copying options to other Gradebooks will override the existing options in the destination gradebooks.

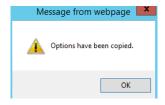
Copy Options to Gradebooks

The following form will display:

The current gradebooks options. Adjustments can be made by selecting or deselecting options. Once the appropriate selections are made click the mouse on the A form will display to select the gradebooks to copy the current gradebooks options to. Select the gradebooks and then click the mouse on the **Copy Options** button.



The options will be copied and a message will display indicating that the copy has completed.



Add Categories

Prior to entering Gradebook Assignments, the **Categories** or assignment types must be setup. A **Category** contains a description and a percent of grade that this Category will receive, if using the **Use Weighted Scoring** option.

NOTE: If using multiple **Gradebook Terms** the following options all apply to all terms of the gradebook. If linking gradebooks, you must link gradebooks before adding category types or assignments. Linking before adding categories will result in only having to add the categories one time and they will apply to all the gradebooks in the linked group. To enter **Categories** to a new gradebook, an **Add Categories** option will be available on each dashboard view. Categories can also be added from the **Manage** page and **Categories** tab.



The teachers existing gradebooks will display in the gradebook dropdown on the top left of the page.

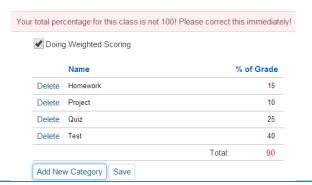


To add a Category click the mouse on the Add New Category button.

Enter the description of **Category** and the percent of grade that this **Category** will receive if using the **Doing**Weighted Scoring option. An example of a **Category** type is **Homework**. Use the tab key and click on the

Add New Category button to add additional Categories. Click the mouse on the **Save** button when completed.

A message will display below the **Categories** indicating **the Category types total has NOT reached 100%**for the assignment types that have been setup. Add all assignment types.



Add Categories Continued

After **ALL** Category types have been entered and the **% of Grade** totals 100% the message will no longer display.

Changes can also be made to **Category Types** after they are setup. Select the **Category** and re-enter the information to be changed. Click the mouse on the **Save** button.

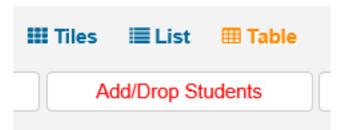
The Doing Weighted Scoring option will default to base a student's final grades by percentage instead of total points. To change this option, click the mouse on the box to remove the check mark. The % percent column will not display and the student's final grade will be based on total points.



NOTE: If the Doing Weighted Scoring is turned off the student's final grades will be based on total points. Also, the % of Grade column will no longer display.

Add Students to Gradebooks

From the **dashboard** page an **Add/Drop Students** message will display in red if there are students pending addition or removal from into the gradebook.



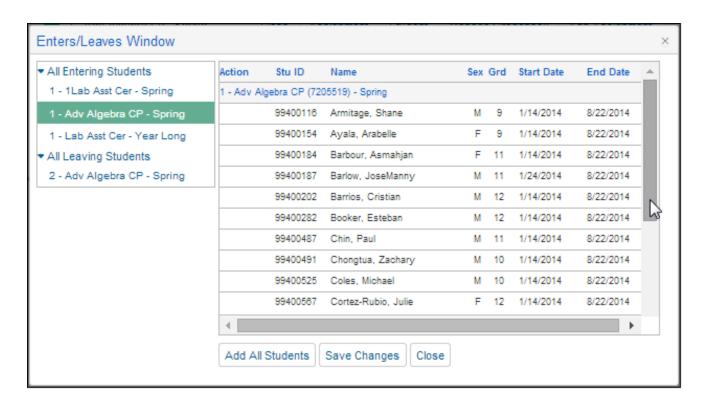
Click the mouse on the Add/Drop Students button and the following Enter/Leaves Window will display.



Add Students to Gradebook Continued

Click the mouse on **All Entering Students** to display gradebooks. Click the mouse on a gradebook. Use the scroll bar on the right side of the form to view all gradebooks and students pending.

NOTE: Teachers must click on the **Add/Drop** Students button when the button is **RED**. Students are not automatically added or dropped from the gradebooks like they are for the attendance page. The teacher must manage the students in their gradebooks.





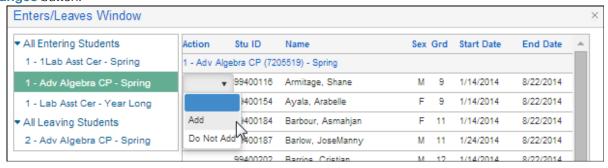
NOTE: If using multiple **Gradebook Terms**, students added will display in all terms of the gradebook.

Click the mouse on the **Add All Students** button on the top of the page to add all students. This will add all pending students to all gradebooks displayed.

Add Students to Gradebook Continued

The **Enters/Leaves Window** will be blank to indicate no other students are pending into the gradebook. Click on the **Close** button.

To enter students individually into the gradebook, click the mouse on the dropdown under the **Action** column. The options of **Add or Do Not Add** will display. Select the appropriate action. Click the mouse on the **Save Changes** button.



To the far right of the form two fields display, **Start Date** and **End Date**. These fields are used to determine the assignments a student is accountable for if they are added to a class or leaving a class. Students added to a class after the class started or leaving a class may not be responsible for certain assignments. Enter in the **Start Date** they are responsible for when adding this student. Enter the due date of the last assignment this student is responsible for in the **End Date** field.

For example, Natthakarn Boissiere started the class on 1/23/2014 and will not be responsible for assignments with due dates before 1/23/2014.

Action	Status	Sort	Stu ID	Student	Sex	Grd	Start Date	End Date
•	Active	37	99400271	Boissiere, Natthakarn A	F	11	1/23/2014	
•	Active	31	99400307	Breceda, Anna Marie	F	11	8/28/2013	
•	Active	34	99400460	Cesena, Faraaz	М	11	1/25/2014	

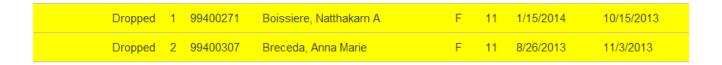
The **End Date** is used for students who have left the class. Enter an **End Date** and the student will not be responsible for assignments with due dates after the students gradebook End Date.

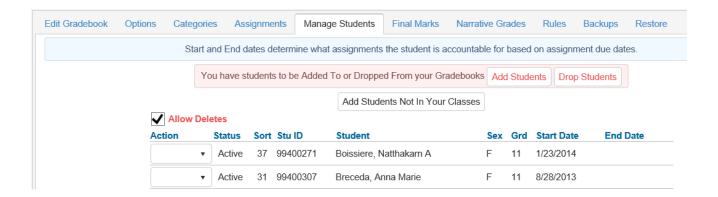
For example, Anne Marie Breceda left the class on 8/5/2014 and will not be responsible for assignments with due dates after 8/5/2014.

1	Action	Status	Sort	Stu ID	Student	Sex	Grd	Start Date	End Date
	•	Active	37	99400271	Boissiere, Natthakarn A	F	11	1/23/2014	
	•	Active	31	99400307	Breceda, Anna Marie	F	11	8/28/2013	8/5/2014
	•	Active	34	99400460	Cesena, Faraaz	M	11	1/25/2014	U

Add Students to Gradebook Continued

Dropped students will display hi-lited in yellow at the bottom of the student list. To





Delete a student, click the mouse on the **check box** at the top of the form. The check box at the top of the form MUST be checked.

Select the **Delete** option from the **Action** dropdown to the left of the Student's name. The student and their scores will be deleted from the gradebook.

NOTE: Deleting a student will delete a student's scores and must be done with caution.