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TO: Members of the Nelson County Board of Education

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RE: A District Look at altering the basic Grading Scale in Grades 4 - 12

 **Discussion**

Over the past few years our district’s high school students have been at a disadvantage as compared to other students in surrounding school districts when making application to post- secondary institutions for their college coursework. All post-secondary institutions offer certain monetary preferences in the form of scholarship to prospective students who earn a high Grade Point Average (GPA).

Currently the Nelson County School’s Grading Scale is as follows:

* A = 92 to 100
* B = 84 to 91
* C = 76 to 83
* D = 70 to 75
* F = 0 to 69

A more competitive grading scale for our students would be:

* A = 90 – 100
* B = 80 – 89
* C = 70 – 79
* D = 64 – 69
* F = Below 64