

**C.V. Starr Intermediate School
Grading Rubric
Special Area Classes**

September 2009

Dear Parents & Guardians,

We look forward to working with you and your child during the school 2009-2010 year. Below you will find our grading policy for all Special Areas. Your child will be receiving a grade/comments for their Special Area subjects: Music, Art, Library, Health and Physical Education on their report cards. Each of us will be reviewing the enclosed grading rubric in our classes, and we would appreciate it if you would also take a moment to review it with your child.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact us.

Sincerely,

Miss Morello, Instrumental Music
Mr. Gaffney, Music & Instrumental
Mr. MacCrae, Instrumental Music

Mrs. Kayler, Music/Chorus
Mrs. DeBellis, Library
Ms. Pascale, Health

Mrs. Morehouse, Physical Ed.
Mr. McCollum, Physical Ed.
Miss Scalera, Art

	4 OUTSTANDING	3 GOOD	2 SATISFACTORY	1 NEEDS IMPROVEMENT
EFFORT	always shows excellent effort and is prepared at all times.	shows good effort and is often prepared.	shows some effort and is sometimes prepared.	rarely shows effort and is often unprepared.
PERSONAL/ SOCIAL SKILLS	always shows respect, cooperates and is self-directed.	shows respect, cooperates and accepts challenges under the teacher's supervision.	shows some respect but sometimes interferes with learning.	interferes with learning, rarely shows respect, and does not take responsibility for what he/she fails to do.
KNOWLEDGE	demonstrates excellent understanding of concepts.	demonstrates good understanding of concepts.	some understanding of concepts.	little understanding of concepts.
APPLICATION (Project Synthesis)	consistently and independently demonstrates ability to apply knowledge to a higher level.	able to extend and apply knowledge with some teacher direction.	able to apply knowledge with teacher direction.	consistently unable to apply knowledge.