Our school environments are different. It should come as no surprise that we grade differently as well. In partnership with Stanford University’s School of Design, we developed The Five New Tech Network Learning Outcomes to assess students based on a holistic picture of their work while keeping up with the requirements of standardized testing.

The Outcomes are: Knowledge and Thinking, Oral Communication, Written Communication, Collaboration, and Agency.

For each assignment, a student is given a separate grade for each of these standards, and the combined grade becomes their overall score. If you took a poll of New Tech Network students, they would likely pick Agency, the ability for a student to take control of their own learning, as the cornerstone of our work.

Our Learning Management System, Echo, makes this seemingly complicated grading process a breeze.
NEW TECH NETWORK
LEARNING OUTCOMES

KNOWLEDGE & THINKING
Mathematical problem-solving
ELA analysis and research argumentation
Science argument/explanation and research
Social Studies argument/explanation

AGENCY
Take ownership over learning
Meets benchmarks
Seeks feedback
Tackles and monitors learning
Actively participates
Builds relationships
Impacts self and community
Develop growth mindset
Uses effort and practice to grow
Seeks challenges
Grows from setbacks
Builds confidence
Finds personal relevance

COLLABORATION
Contributes ideas
Equal participation
Group norms
Respectful tone and style
Positive body language
Active listening
Roles
Work ethic
Team Support

ORAL COMMUNICATION
Interpersonal communication
Listening and comprehension
Clear presentation of ideas
Asking question
Presentation
Clarity
Evidence
Organization
Use of visual material

WRITTEN COMMUNICATION
Development
Organization
Structure
Language and Conventions

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