

TEACHERS VOICE CONCERNS OVER NEW GRADING SCALE

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This year there have been many school changes, one being the new grading scale. The new scale now includes pluses and minuses in addition to the normal grades. It is meant to benefit those students who are on the borderline of a higher grade that way students have a better chance at passing classes. There are many pros and cons

to the new scale. When asked about what she thought of the new grading scale, said, "It's very confusing and they've had the old grading scale so long. Why change now?" With all these cons and just one pro it makes students wonder whether the new grading scale is really good for us, or should the school board rethink this idea.

According to UTD steward Roz Ciriano, "There's nothing good about this new scale."

Not all teachers share a negative view of the new scale, however. Language Arts Department Co-Chair and AP English teacher Christina Alvarez said, "Even though the new grading scale can be cumbersome for teachers, it is a more accurate representation of student performance. It also helps our students become accustomed to the similar grading scale used by colleges and universities."