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Enabling/Disabling the In-Progress Mark in the Student-Parent Portal

User Guide

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(Note: Any names appearing in this document are fictitious names)

1 Overview

- **This user guide is intended for any schools with grade levels from 9 to 12.** Schools that do not have 9-12 grade levels do not need to task themselves with the additional steps of enabling/disabling the in-progress (percentage) mark in the Student-Parent Portal. The in-progress mark in the Portal can appear as:
  - Grade Primary – always IP
  - Grades 1-8 – IP or INS*
  - Grades 9-12 – percentage, IP, or INS*

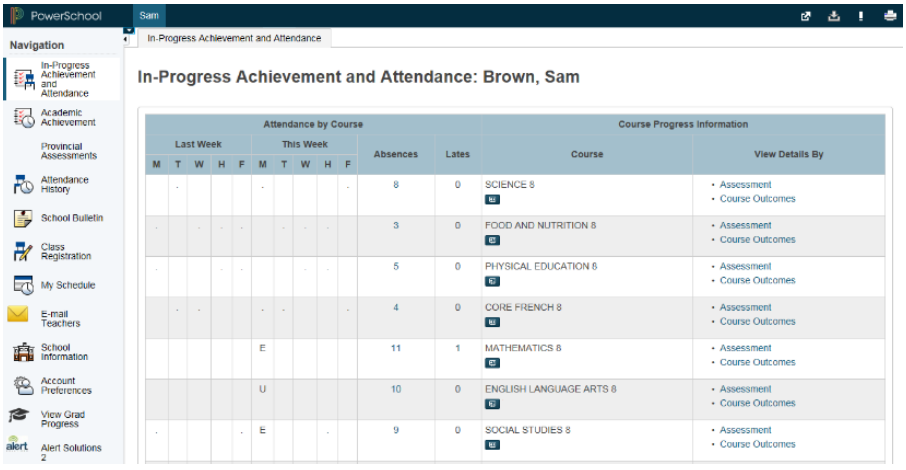
(Exception: If there are no assessment scores in the gradebook, there will no in-progress mark, and the value will be blank.)

*Missing Assessments and Impact on In-Progress Mark Displayed in the Student-Parent Portal:

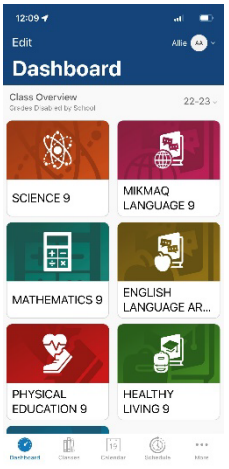
- INS Functionality for Junior High Schools - PowerTeacher Pro and Student-Parent Portal
- INS Functionality for High Schools - PowerTeacher Pro and Student-Parent Portal

- When considering what data will be made available to students and parents in the Portal, always keep in mind that is there a browser version of the Portal as well as a mobile app version of the Portal (available for Android and iOS). Grades will be always disabled from view in the mobile app, so when schools enable the in-progress percentage mark in the Portal, students and parents/guardians will need to log into the browser-based Portal to view in-progress marks. Assessments and assessment scores will however be visible in the mobile app.

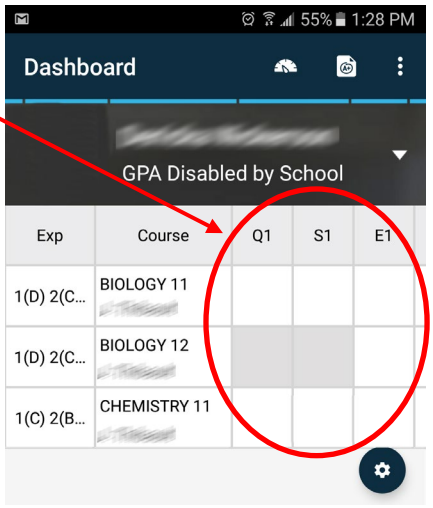
Web Browser Portal



Mobile App Portal



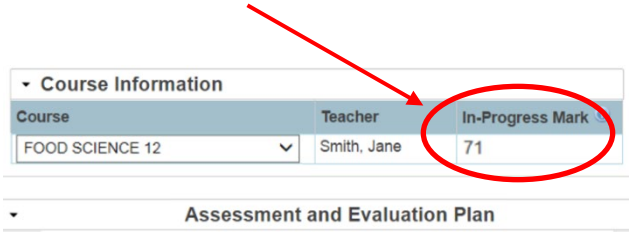
- On the mobile app, the default setting for the in-progress mark will be disabled meaning that no grades will appear when trying to access the dashboard and/or grade information screens in the mobile app.



- The mobile app is designed to optimize Portal accessible information by students and parents on mobile devices, so users can expect a difference experience with the app when compared to the web browser version of the Portal. Some features are not available on the mobile app, so accessing the Portal in a browser is preferred so as to ensure that users are accessing the full features of the Student-Parent Portal. As well, the mobile app cannot be customized, so the product that is made available to users by PowerSchool cannot be modified by the provincial iNSchool support team.

- When schools are deciding when to display in-progress marks as percentage grades in the Portal, consideration should be given to when report cards will be distributed as schools may wish to avoid having percentage grades appear just prior to when report cards will be distributed.

How the In-Progress Mark will Display in the Web Browser Portal when Enabled



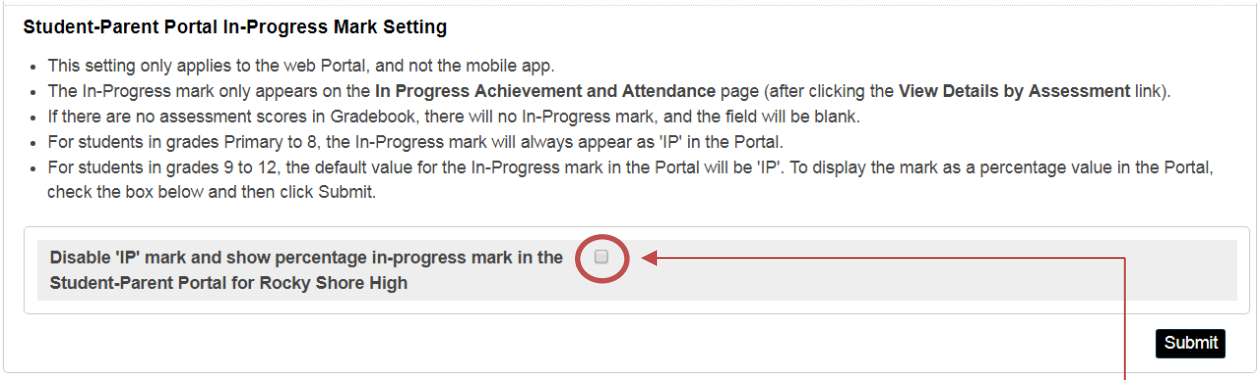
- When the school wants to disable the in-progress mark in the Portal, the setting will need to be updated so that the percentage in-progress mark in the web browser version of the Portal is replaced with an IP mark.

2 Enabling/Disabling the In-Progress Mark in the Student-Parent Portal

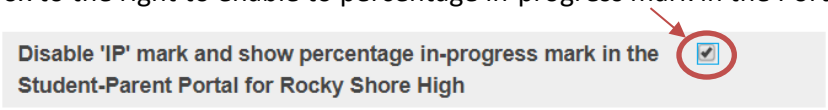
When your school wants to display the in-progress mark as a percentage value, follow the below steps. **The in-progress mark that appears in the Portal will be the same grade that appears under the F1 term in PowerTeacher Pro**.

To enable the in-progress mark as a percentage value in the Portal:

- Click **School Management** from the Start Page menu.
- Select the subcategory **Academics**, then click on **Set Current Grade Display**.
- Go to the **Student-Parent Portal In-Progress Mark Setting** section as shown below.



- The last row states "**Disable 'IP' mark and show percentage in-progress mark in the Student-Parent Portal**", and the box to the right will be unchecked.
- Check the box to the right to enable to percentage in-progress mark in the Portal.



- Click the **Submit** button to save and update the Portal settings.

- Unchecking the box and clicking Submit will replace the percentage in-progress mark in the Portal with 'IP'.