

Gradebook Tutorial #12: Do I need to link my assignments to both the GO's and SO's?

The screenshot shows the PowerTeacher Gradebook interface. The 'Tools' menu is open, and 'Preferences' is selected. The 'Standards' tab is active in the 'Standards Based Grading' section. The 'Using Assignment Scores' section is also visible.

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| Balao, Kayla | 85 | 85% | 85 | EA | EA | EA | EA | EA |
| Bergeson, Iesha | 62 | 62% | 62 | BA | BA | BA | BA | BA |
| Bruce, Tyra | 48 | 48% | 48 | IA | IA | IA | IA | IA |
| Clarke, Tate | 76 | 76% | 76 | PA | PA | PA | PA | PA |
| Flett, Mackenzie | | | | | | | | |
| Fugleberg, Brennan | | | | | | | | |
| Fugleberg, Kenna | | | | | | | | |

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That depends on how you setup the calculation of "Standards" in Gradebook. You can choose to have Gradebook "auto-populate" the outcomes linked to an assignment or you can choose to have Gradebook "auto-calculate" the GO's using the "achievement indicators" entered for each SO.

Option #1: Choosing Gradebook to "auto-populate" the outcomes.

Choosing Option #1 means that you MUST link each assignment entered in Gradebook to both the GO's and the corresponding SO's that are being assessed. Failure to link assignments to the GO's will mean that NO achievement indicators will be entered for the GO's in Gradebook and consequently no achievement indicators will appear on the Report Card for the GO's.

Option #2: Choosing Gradebook to "auto-calculate" the GO's.

Choosing Option #2 means that you MUST setup Gradebook to "auto-calculate" the GO's from the SO's. This is done in Tools > Preferences > Standards. Choosing Option #2 means that Gradebook will continue to "auto-populate" the outcomes linked to assignments, however you will only need to link your assignments to the SO's. Gradebook will then "auto-calculate" the achievement indicators for the GO's based on the achievement indicators in the corresponding SO's.

The following Tutorial will explain how to setup Gradebook to "auto-calculate" the GO's.

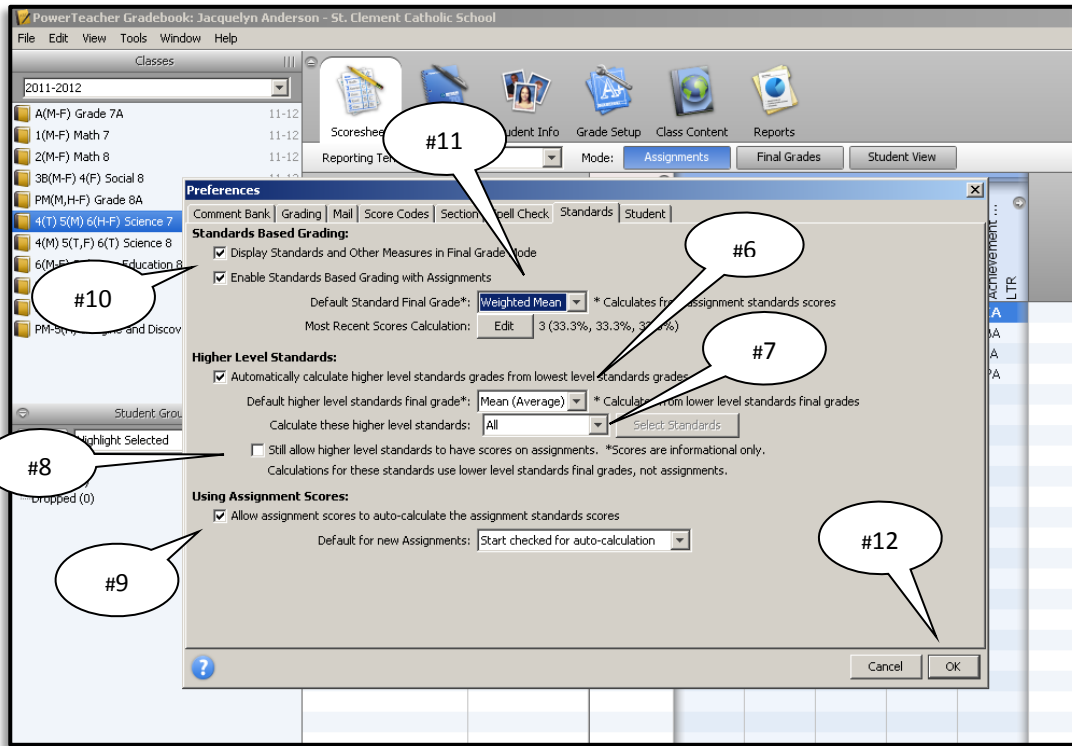
#1: Select "Tools" from the menu bar.

#2: Select "Preferences" from the drop down menu.

#3: The "Preferences" dialogue box appears.

#4: Select the "Standards" tab.

#5: Check (✓) "Automatically calculate higher standards grades from lowest level standards grades."



#6: The default method of calculation is “Mean(Average).” This determines how the calculation occurs. Other choices are Mode, Median and Highest.

#7: The default is “All”. This means that all GO’s will be calculated.

#8: Leave this box unchecked. This means that you will not need to link any assignments to GO’s.

#9: Leave “Using Assignment Scores” checked. This means that Gradebook will continue to auto-populate the SO’s linked to assignments with achievement indicators.

#10: Leave “Standards Based Grading” checked.

#11: The default method of calculation is “weighted Mean”.

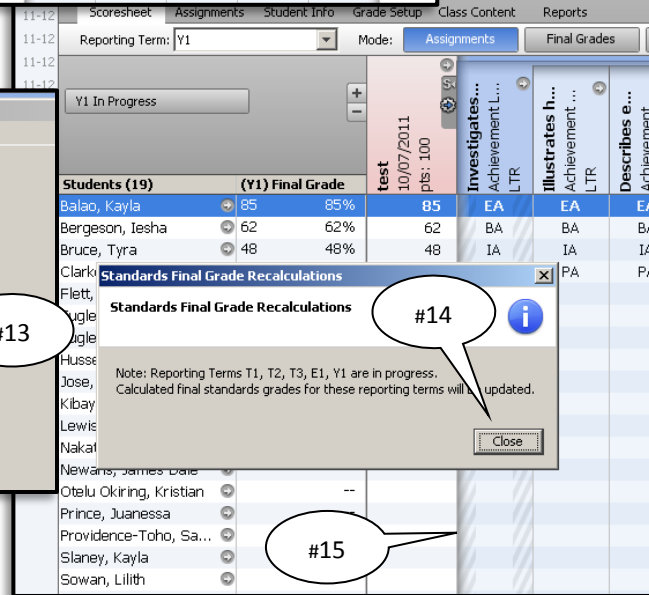
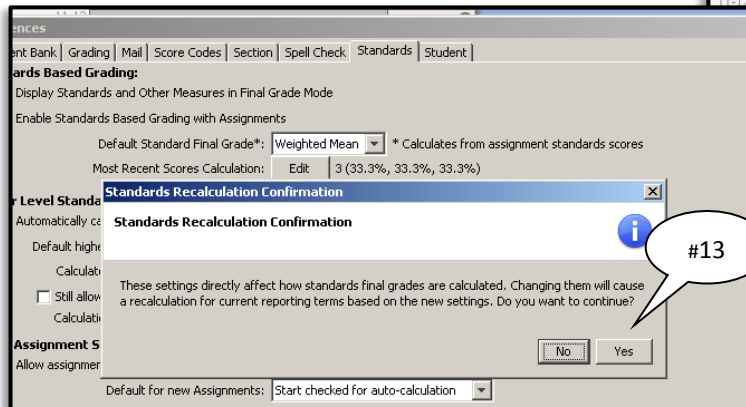
#12 Click “OK” to save your changes.

#13: You will be prompted to confirm the standards recalculation. Select “Yes”.

#14: You will be prompted with this dialogue box. Click “Close” to continue.

#15: You will notice the GO column changes slightly with grey bars added to the edges of the column.

(Steps 13-15 will only occur if you have already linked assignments to GO’s and are now changing the method that Gradebook calculates the GO’s.)



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Reporting Term: Y1 Mode: Assignments

| Students (19) | (Y1) Final Grade | test | Investigates h... | Illustrates h... | Describes e... | Identifies /... | Analyzes de... |
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#16: You will note that once you have set the GO's to auto-calculate, and you enter a new assignment,

#17: you will not be able to link your assignment to the GO's. You will only be able to link your new assignment entries to the SO's.

#18: Note that only the SO's appear in the expanded view.

#19: If you select the Final Grades mode of the Scoresheet tab, you will notice that,

#20: a gear-like symbol with an arrow appears on the GO's to provide you a visible indication that the GO's are being auto-calculated from the corresponding SO's.

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Reporting Term: T1 Mode: Assignments Final Grades Student View

| (T1) Final Grade | Enter Teacher N... | Enter teach... | Science Comment | Science Com... | EFFORT | Special Program... | GR 7 Science O... | Investigates h... | Illustrates h... | Describes e... |
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