

## Explanation of Letter Grades

Letter grades reflect an evaluation of students' work in relation to the clear and high expectations that teachers have established for their courses in terms of both the quantity and quality of work. Some classes are graded on a Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory basis. Teachers may give plus or minus additions to letter grades.

### New Vista Letter grades should be interpreted as follows:

**A** The student has exceeded the high expectations of the course (excellent effort and products).

**B** The student has met the high expectations of the course (good, completely satisfactory effort and products).

**C** The student has shown some effort and is showing growth, but is not meeting the high expectations of the course.

**D** This grade is not used at New Vista High School but may appear for courses taken at other high schools.

**IP** The student has made Insufficient Progress. In a student's GPA, an IP counts as an "F".

**I** Incomplete, due to medical, personal or family emergency

**WF** Withdrawal Fail: Awarded when a student drops a class between the 8th and 15th day of classes in any quarter and is **not** passing the class.

**WP** Withdrawal Pass: Awarded when a student drops a class between the 8th and 15th day of classes in any quarter and is earning a passing grade in the class.

**S** Satisfactory: Awarded in Workshops, Community Experience, some Independent Study Contracts and some credit given for prior course work in another school.

**U** Unsatisfactory. Awarded in Workshops and Community Experience.