

MORE THAN JUST GRADES: A CLOSER LOOK AT THE MODERN STUDENT JOURNEY

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Getting good grades is no longer the only goal of being a student today. Although grades continue to play a significant role, they are no longer the exclusive indicator of academic performance. Today's students encounter a wide range of difficulties, and events outside of the classroom also influence their path.

Students today face pressure from social media, their families, and even their schools. They must perform well academically, participate in extracurricular activities, and collaborate well with others. As a result, schools today emphasize developing students' self-esteem, teamwork, creativity, and emotional fortitude in addition to teaching lessons (Rios, 2023).

Many teachers employ innovative teaching strategies to support students' growth in all domains. Project-Based Learning is one instance. Students use this approach to work on actual projects or difficulties. For instance, students may be encouraged to develop a strategy to cut waste in their school as part of a science lesson (Charles, 2024). They present their ideas, conduct research, and collaborate in groups. This helps them develop their ability to think critically, solve problems, and work as a team.

These days, technology also has a significant impact on students' education. Apps, videos, and online courses allow students to learn in a variety of ways and at their own speed. However, despite all of these resources, teacher assistance remains crucial. Teachers can give their students direction, and encouragement, as well as emotional wellness assessments.

Being a good student in the modern world entails more than just scoring highly on tests. It entails understanding how to overcome obstacles, collaborate with others, and never stop learning. In addition to helping children do well on tests, schools are now assisting pupils in developing into strong, compassionate, and inquisitive people.

There is more to the modern student journey than grades. Being prepared for the future and developing yourself are the main goals. With the support of teachers, families, and schools, students can flourish in many ways and reach their greatest potential.

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