BOE Question - In reference to Joe Feldman's work on the implemented grading philosophy. One of the claims is that certain groups of students will see grade deflation. Do you anticipate this for any groups of students and if so, are those groups consistent with Feldman's research?

This question is based on Joe Feldman's *School Grading Policies are Failing Children: a Call to Action for Equitable Grading*

- Part of the overview explains that while D/F grades will decrease for students who are historically underserved in schools, it is also possible that students from historically privileged populations might see a decrease in A grades (p. 5).
- A more extensive reading of Feldman's work (as we are doing with LLT), clarifies that as grades become a more accurate assessment of what students know and can do (as opposed to compliance and behavior indicators) there may be grade shifts. For those that relied on compliance over mastery, grades may decline.
- As referenced earlier, D86 data does not indicate that there is a decline in A grades, but does indicate a decline in D/F grades.