Nova Scotia Student Information System

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## User Guide

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Historical grades must be entered in PowerSchool when:

- a new student transfers to your school from:
- a non-PowerSchool school,
- an out of province/country school,
- another Regional Centre for Education/CSAP,
- a student completes a Nova Scotia Independent Online Learning (NSIOL) course,
- a student completes a Personal Development Credit (ex. Duke of Edinburgh, NS 4H Gold 10),
- other scenarios where students have earned credits that need to be entered in PowerSchool.

Since historical grades are required for transcripts, historical grades are typically only entered for grade 1012 students, but there may be scenarios where schools may need to enter historical grades for students in other grade levels.

## The Historical Grades Screen

- Search for and select your student.
- Under the section Academic Records, select Historical Course Grades.

On the Historical Course Grades page, you have the option of entering the data for one course at a time using Single New Entry, or you can enter the data for all the courses taken in one year and one grade level at a time, Multiple New Entries.

The screen shot below is for a Single New Entry.


* School Name - defaults to your school, but if the credit was earned at another school, enter the name of that school instead. If the credit was earned through NSIOL, enter School Name: NSIOL.
* School Year - select the school year in which the credit was earned.
* Historical Grade Level - select the grade level the student was in when they took the course, for example if the student took a grade 10 English while they were in grade 11 then you select grade 11 for this field.
* Course Number - is the power school course number, to find the course you require start typing in the name of the course. For example:
> For English courses, type ENG (or eng)
> For math courses, start typing MTH (or mth)
Once you select the course for which the credit was earned the following fields are populated from the course table and/or regional settings.
> Course Name
$>$ Credit Type
$>$ Exclude from GPA is set to Include.
> Exclude from Class Rank is set to Include.
$>$ Exclude from honor roll is set to Include.
$>$ Store Code- is always set to F1
> Potential Credit
- If you are entering an IB credit from grade 11 the Potential Credit is set to 0 as no credit is given for IB until grade 12.
* F1 Grade - the grades available in the drop-down list are determined by the values on the course table. While all the grade scales are available in the drop-down list, normally only students with historical grades from grades levels 10,11 , and 12 are entered on the Historical Grades page.
* GPA Points - are automatically calculated based on the grade you selected in the field F1 Grade (except for grades levels PP-8).
* Percent - is automatically calculated based on the grade you selected in the field F1 Grade.
* Credit Earned - is automatically calculated based on the grade you selected in the field F1 Grade.
$>$ If the grade is 50 or more, a credit is earned, and the field is populated with value from the
Potential Credit, (based on the course table).
$>$ If the grade is below 50 the credit is set to 0 .
$>$ Grade levels from PP-9 do not earn credits; this field will remain as 0 .
Click Submit to save your entries.
If you have more than one Historical Course Grade to enter for the same year and grade level, select Multiple New Entries, and you can enter 8 courses for that year in that grade level.

