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# VIEWPOINT

## Making the grade not always immediate

To the Editor:

Life doesn't depend upon grades a student receives, yet students and their parents spend a lot of time worrying and talking about grades.

Grades are significant in determining what academic program will be appropriate and to check progress in meeting academic goals. Receiving good grades is important, but learning-based individual capacities are more important. It could answer the questions: Should I study more? Do I need to concentrate more in school? Am I in the right program?

Students must learn how to learn. Not all can be successful in all subjects, but effort will make a difference. We have to abide by the 11th Commandment: Thou shall not despair.

Albert Einstein was a special-education student as a young boy. Winston Churchill was a stutterer, and Michael Jordan did not make his high-school basketball team.

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