

*Riverside County*

# *Grading Practices Project*

*Grades can be an unwieldy tool  
With lots of thoughts and inconsistent rules,  
Or grades can be a way to measure  
Mastering of Standards and uncovering treasures*

*And the power of this forum true  
Is agreement of our vision and follow through  
For if grades have an impact to destroy a life,  
Then we must improve practice without strife*

*We must create a picture of what grades can be  
And lace it in the reality  
That we have been chosen to fight this fight  
And make real changes until we get it right*

*At the center of all we will say and do  
Is to adjust our mindset and actions too  
Because we take very seriously what grades can be  
And we vow to support each student's destiny*

*A poem dedicated to:  
Riverside County Educators*

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