

Dear Eve et al.,

Three of us [5 as of 12/4/23 from Rebecca] on the EPC have had a chance to review the materials on the proposal to discontinue posting median grades on student transcripts.

We feel that the weight of evidence is strongly in favor of discontinuing the practice of posting median grades on transcripts.

- Cornell's "anomalous" position may have been a bold, brave move initially (hats off), but it's clearly backfired (hats back on);
- We're now anomalous in a bad way;
- There's published evidence that the practice has led to negative impacts on students (they oppose it), professors (students avoid tough classes etc) and the university (grade inflation);
- There's no apparent benefit to the practice;
- Students are against it.

The EPC (at least the minority that has weighed in to date) supports the resolution to discontinue. [If any member wishes to chime in with a contrasting perspective, please do.]

Thanks for soliciting our input.

With best wishes,

Rebecca for the EPC