State Law Guarantees Teachers Have the Final Word on Grades

The California Education Code protects teachers’ rights to grade students. When grades are given for any course of instruction taught in a school district, the grade given to each pupil shall be the grade determined by the teacher of the course and the determination of the pupils grade by the teacher, in the absence of clerical or mechanical mistake, fraud, bad faith, or incompetence, shall be final.

§ 49066
If a parent, student, or administrator challenges a grade the teacher has the right to defend the grade. An Association representative should always be present at such a challenge.

Teachers Responsible for Failure Notices

Classroom teachers are directly responsible for notifying parents of possible failing grades. Whenever it becomes evident to a teacher that a student is in danger of failing a course (D or F grade), the teacher must arrange a conference with the student’s parent/guardian or send the parent/guardian a written report (failure notice.) In all cases the notification must come prior to the assignment of the grade.

The teacher’s responsibility for failure notices is stated in California Education Code 49067 and Montebello Unified School District Administrative Regulation 5121 (a).
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Please return this portion to: MTA Office, 918 W. Whittier Blvd., Montebello, CA 90640
Yes, I will attend the banquet. Please reserve ______ seats at $40 each (check enclosed).
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