## **GRADE APPEAL PROCEDURE**

Student grades as reported by faculty are considered final. In the event a student desires to appeal a grade, the following process will be followed:

- Within ten school days of the grade being made available to the student (posted at <u>www.morton.edu</u>), the student must notify in writing (email or letter) the faculty member of their disagreement with the posted grade.
- The student must initiate a discussion with the course instructor and try to reach an accord with respect to the course grade within an additional 10 school days.
- If, after discussion with the course instructor, a student does not reach an accord with the faculty member's decision, the student may next appeal in writing to the appropriate academic dean within 10 additional school days.
- Subsequently, the dean will review the appeal and consult with the faculty member.
- If the dean and faculty member cannot resolve the situation, the dean will convene, within 10 school days, a committee comprised of three full-time faculty members teaching in the same discipline or a related discipline, if necessary.
- If the committee convened by the dean fails to reach a satisfactory resolution, then the faculty member or the student may, within 10 school days, appeal in writing to the Vice President of Academic and Student Development.
- The Vice President will review the appeal and render a decision. The decision of the Vice President shall be final.