

CLASS RANK POLICY

Effective September 2016, the GPA and class rank shall be calculated as follows:

- A. All courses shall be included, except for correspondence courses or distant learning network programs.
- B. All students shall be included.
- C. The weighted rank shall be used for all purposes.
- D. Class Rank is the student's placement in the class according to Weighted Grade Point Average (WGPA). WGPA is calculated by using the final letter grade point numeric average equivalents in each course, and then multiplying the numeric grade equivalents times the course credits. The sum of the grade equivalents/course credits is then divided by the total credits producing the WGPA.

Before doing final calculations, 0.5 is added to all final numeric equivalents in Honors and 1.0 is added for Advanced Placement courses for grades B- and higher.

The following areas shall be taken into account to calculate GPA.

- 1. final grades received
- 2. number of credits attempted

The following is an example of the method used to compute the GPA and rank:

COURSE	FINAL GRADE	NUMERIC AVERAGE EQUIVALENTS	CREDITS		TOTAL POINTS
English 1 Honors	A	4.5	5	=	22.5
Algebra 1	C	2	5	=	10
Physical Education	A+	4.3	3.75	=	16.125
Health 9	A	4	1.25	=	5
Basic Drawing/Design 1	A	4	2.50	=	10
Environmental Science	C	2	5	=	10
World Cultures	B-	2.7	5	=	13.5
Spanish 1	A	4	5	=	20
Computer Programming 1	A	4	2.50	=	10
		Total:	35		117.125

Divide total credits into total numeric quality points to determine GPA.

$$117.125 \div 35 = 3.346$$

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<b>AP COURSES (*add 1)</b>	<b>HONORS COURSES (*add 0.5)</b>	<b>REGULAR</b>
A = 5*	A = 4.5*	A = 4
B = 4*	B = 3.5*	B = 3
C = 3*	C = 2.5*	C = 2
D = 2*	D = 1.5*	D = 1
F = 0	F = 0	F = 0
WP = 1	WP = 1	
WF = 0	WF = 0	

- E. Honors and advanced placement courses shall be so designated on transcripts.
- F. If a student's record includes courses marked in a nontraditional fashion, e.g. Pass/Fail, the grade point average shall be based on those courses with traditional marks only.
- G. All failing marks, as well as passing marks, shall be used in the calculation of the GPA.
- H. Class rank will be computed at the end of the school year based on the final grades beginning in the ninth grade.
- I. For the purpose of commencement only, the student receiving the highest GPA shall be designated Valedictorian and the student receiving the next highest GPA shall be designated Salutatorian.
- J. In order to be eligible for designation as valedictorian or salutatorian, a student must attend at least six semesters of high school including the two of senior year.
- K. Any student who transfers into the high school after completing more than six semesters in another high school or has been home schooled during high school shall not be eligible for designation as valedictorian or salutatorian.

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