

**COURSES NOT INCLUDED IN CLASS RANK**

All courses shall be awarded grade points and be counted in the class rank calculation except for courses listed below:

1. Off-campus physical education and "no credit" physical education and athletic courses.
2. Any course that is determined by the principal to be similar in nature to the courses listed in #1 above.
3. Courses that are designated by the District or other districts as "local credit."
4. Courses determined by the principal to be undeserving of grade points.
5. Courses taken by correspondence, or courses for which credit is earned by examination, computer, and other Web-based instruction.
6. Courses taken in summer school at a school other than a Texas-accredited high school.
7. High school coursework taken during a student's middle school career.
8. Dual credit and concurrent enrollment college courses.
9. Courses from a school other than a Texas public school that are not deemed equivalent to TEA-approved courses.

**CLASS RANKING PROCEDURES**

A student's grade point average (GPA) shall be determined by the total number of grade points earned divided by the number of courses for which grades are recorded on the academic achievement record. Grade points are awarded according to the scale listed above for semester grades through the first semester of the senior year. Grade points for the second semester of the senior year shall be awarded based upon the third nine-week grades. Class rank will be determined by the GPA.

**RANKING FOR EARLY GRADUATES**

A student who completes the high school program requirement in fewer than four years shall be ranked in the class with which he or she actually graduates.

**TRANSFER STUDENTS**

A student who transfers into the District shall receive the numerical grades earned in courses at another school and these grades will be used in the determination of the student's GPA. When students transfer in with letter grades, the District high schools will use the following scale if one is not available from the district from which the students come:

- 99 = A+
- 95 = A
- 91 = A-
- 89 = B+
- 85 = B
- 81 = B-
- 79 = C+
- 75 = C
- 71 = C-
- 70 = D (when credit was awarded from transferring district)
- 69 = D (when credit was not awarded from transferring district)
- 65 = F

**VALEDICTORIAN, SALUTATORIAN**

Valedictorian shall be the student who has the highest total average grade points earned in grades 9-12, and the salutatorian will be the student with the second highest total average grade points earned in grades 9-12. In the event that the student with the first or second highest total grade points does not fully qualify, the next highest ranking class member who is fully qualified shall receive the honor.

To be eligible for valedictorian or salutatorian honors, a student shall:

1. Meet all requirements for the Recommended or Distinguished Achievement Programs;
2. Have attended a District high school during the entire junior and senior years; and
3. Be graduating at the end of the school year. Students graduating at the end of the first semester of their senior year or in the summer are not eligible for these honors.

CONDUCT

4. To qualify for delivering the valedictorian or salutatorian speech, a student shall not have engaged in any serious misconduct or violation of the Student Code of Conduct that resulted in removal to a DAEP, or a three-day suspension, or expulsion, during the student's last two semesters.

In the event eligible students tie for valedictorian or salutatorian honors (exact grade point average is rounded to the fourth decimal place), the tie shall be broken by a series of tie-breakers listed below:

1. The total average grade points earned during the junior and senior years, including the summer sessions prior to the junior and senior years.
2. The total number of TEA-approved honors courses taken in grades 9-12.
3. The total numeric grade average of all classes taken in grades 9-12.

If a tie still exists, students who are tied shall share the honor.

TOP TEN PERCENT

Students with a grade point average (GPA) in the top ten percent of the graduating class shall be eligible for automatic admission in an institution of higher education in accordance with Education Code 51.803. The GPA shall be reported on the student's transcript and made available in accordance with the application deadline for the college or university when requested by the student. [See EIC(LOCAL)]

Local eligibility standards required for determining valedictorian, salutatorian, or honor graduates shall not apply to the procedure for determining the top ten percent for purposes of Education Code 51.803 provisions.

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ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT  
CLASS RANKING

EIC  
(LOCAL)

GRADE POINTS The weighted 4.0 grade point scale below shall be used to award grade points for class ranking purposes:

<b>Numerical Grade</b>	<b>AP Classes</b>	<b>Pre-AP</b>	<b>Academic</b>
100	6.0	5.0	4.0
99	5.9	4.9	3.9
98	5.8	4.8	3.8
97	5.7	4.7	3.7
96	5.6	4.6	3.6
95	5.5	4.5	3.5
94	5.4	4.4	3.4
93	5.3	4.3	3.3
92	5.2	4.2	3.2
91	5.1	4.1	3.1
90	5.0	4.0	3.0
89	4.9	3.9	2.9
88	4.8	3.8	2.8
87	4.7	3.7	2.7
86	4.6	3.6	2.6
85	4.5	3.5	2.5
84	4.4	3.4	2.4
83	4.3	3.3	2.3
82	4.2	3.2	2.2
81	4.1	3.1	2.1
80	4.0	3.0	2.0
79	3.9	2.9	1.9
78	3.8	2.8	1.8
77	3.7	2.7	1.7
76	3.6	2.6	1.6
75	3.5	2.5	1.5
74	3.4	2.4	1.4
73	3.3	2.3	1.3
72	3.2	2.2	1.2
71	3.1	2.1	1.1
70	3.0	2.0	1.0
69	0	0	0