

ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT
CLASS RANKING

EIC
(LOCAL)

CALCULATION PRIOR TO THE 2014–15 SCHOOL YEAR	For students who entered grade 7 in the 2010–11 school year, the District shall include in the calculation of class rank semester grades earned in all high school courses taken in middle school. Weights shall be assigned to specific courses as applicable.						
2014–15 SCHOOL YEAR AND THEREAFTER	For students who entered grade 9 in the 2014–15 school year, the District shall include in the calculation of class rank semester grades earned in all high school credit courses taken in grades 9–12, unless excluded below.						
EXCLUSIONS	<p>The calculation of class rank shall exclude grades earned in or by summer school, college credit courses not considered dual credit, correspondence courses, credit by examination, courses for which pass/fail is assigned, and local credit courses.</p> <p>Class ranking shall be computed on the basis of courses completed during the normal school year and during regular class hours.</p> <p>If a student repeats a course, both grades shall be included in determining class rank.</p>						
WEIGHTED GRADE SYSTEM PRIOR TO THE 2014–15 SCHOOL YEAR	<p>The following provisions shall apply to students who entered grade 9 prior to the 2014–15 school year.</p> <p>The District shall assign weights to grades earned in eligible courses and calculate a weighted numerical grade average, in accordance with the following:</p> <table><tr><td>Regular</td><td>1.0</td></tr><tr><td>Dual Credit, Advanced, and Pre-Advanced Placement (Pre-AP) classes</td><td>1.05</td></tr></table> <p>These weights shall be assigned by the counseling office at the conclusion of each semester.</p> <p>The District shall record unweighted numerical grades on student transcripts.</p>	Regular	1.0	Dual Credit, Advanced, and Pre-Advanced Placement (Pre-AP) classes	1.05		
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2014–15 SCHOOL YEAR AND THEREAFTER	<p>The following provisions shall apply to students who entered grade 9 in the 2014–15 school year and thereafter.</p> <p>The District shall assign weights to grades earned in eligible courses and calculate a weighted numerical grade average, in accordance with the following:</p> <table><tr><td>Regular courses</td><td>1.0</td></tr><tr><td>Pre-AP courses</td><td>1.05</td></tr><tr><td>AP and dual credit courses</td><td>1.10</td></tr></table>	Regular courses	1.0	Pre-AP courses	1.05	AP and dual credit courses	1.10
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TRANSFERRED
GRADES

PRIOR TO THE
2014–15 SCHOOL
YEAR

For students transferring into the District prior to the 2014–15 school year, the District shall assign weights to grades for properly documented and eligible courses as follows:

1. Regular classes shall be averaged exactly as the grade appears on the student's transcript from the sending school.
2. Pre-AP and AP courses shall receive a weight of 1.05 applied to the final semester grade transferred from the sending school.
3. Honors or advanced courses other than dual credit, Pre-AP, and AP courses transferred from another school shall not be eligible for any additional weight.

2014–15 SCHOOL
YEAR AND
THEREAFTER

For students transferring into the District in the 2014–15 school year and thereafter, the District shall assign weight to grades for properly documented and eligible courses based on the categories and grade weight system used by the District, if the same course is offered to the same class of students in the District.

LOCAL GRADUATION
HONORS

For the purpose of determining honors to be conferred during graduation activities, the District shall calculate class rank using grades available at the time of calculation at the end of the fifth six-week grading period of the senior year. The average of the fourth and fifth six-week grades shall be used as the semester grade for this purpose.

For the purpose of applications to institutions of higher education, the District shall also calculate class ranking as required by state law. The District's eligibility criteria for local graduation honors shall apply only for local recognitions and shall not restrict class ranking for the purpose of automatic admission under state law. [See EIC(LEGAL)]

VALEDICTORIAN /
SALUTATORIAN

The valedictorian and salutatorian shall be the eligible students with the highest and second highest ranking, respectively. To be eligible for such recognition, a student must:

1. Have attended the District high school for at least two years; and
2. Have successfully completed at least six courses from either state-recognized advanced courses and/or Pre-AP courses, and/or academic college courses.

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In order to be eligible for recognition as the valedictorian or salutatorian, a student must be in current "good standing" with the District. For purposes of this policy, "good standing" shall mean that the student has not engaged in any serious misconduct violation of the Student Code of Conduct resulting in removal to a DAEP or expulsion during his or her last two semesters.

TIE-BREAKER

In the event of a tie for valedictorian, the student who has the highest grade average in state-recognized advanced courses and Pre-AP courses shall be declared valedictorian. A tie for salutatorian shall be resolved in the same way.

HONOR
GRADUATES

Honor graduates are those students whose cumulative academic grade averages are 90.0 and above. These honor graduates shall be determined at the end of the fifth six-week grading period of the senior year.

EARLY GRADUATION

Students graduating at any time other than the end of the school year shall be given a diploma at the time all graduation requirements are met. Rank in class shall be computed with that year's graduating class. Students graduating ahead of their respective classes shall not be eligible for valedictorian or salutatorian, nor for scholarships based on class ranking, but shall be eligible to be included in the list of honor graduates.