

PROPOSED REVISIONS

CONSISTENT APPLICATION FOR GRADUATING CLASS

THE DISTRICT SHALL APPLY THE SAME CLASS RANK CALCULATION METHOD AND RULES FOR LOCAL GRADUATION HONORS FOR ALL STUDENTS IN A GRADUATING CLASS, REGARDLESS OF THE SCHOOL YEAR IN WHICH A STUDENT FIRST EARNED HIGH SCHOOL CREDIT.

FOR GRADUATING CLASS OF 2022 ~~Beginning with Students Entering Grade 9 in the 2013- 14 School Year and Thereafter~~

~~Beginning with~~ **FOR** students entering grade 9 in the 2013-14 school year **THE GRADUATING CLASS OF 2022** and thereafter, the District shall include in the calculation of class rank semester grades earned in high school credit courses, regardless of when the credit was earned, with the exception of grades earned in local credit courses and by credit by examination, with or without prior instruction.

Upon receiving prior written approval for enrollment from the principal, grades earned through distance learning (only from the University of Texas System, Texas Tech University, and the Texas Virtual School Network [TxVSN]) shall be included when calculating a student's weighted grade point average (GPA) and determining class rank.

The following provisions of this policy vary by the year of enrollment in grade 9.

Beginning with GRADUATING CLASS OF 2023 ~~Students Entering Grade 9 in 2019- 2020 School Year and Thereafter~~

Beginning with the ~~students entering grade 9 in 2019-20~~ **GRADUATING CLASS OF 2023 AND THEREAFTER**, the top-quality points from the following courses shall be used to determine class rank. Students who complete the distinguished level of achievement program and are in the top ten percent of the graduating class as determined by class rank will be recognized as a District honor graduate.

- 4 English
- 4 Math
- 4 Science
- 3 Social studies
- 2 Languages other than English
- 1 Physical education
- 1 Fine arts

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- 5 Electives

While a student is enrolled, only courses provided by the District shall be used to calculate the GPA, to include District-sanctioned programs.

Transfer students

When a student transfers grades for properly documented and eligible courses, the District shall assign weight to those grades based on the categories and grade weight system used by the District if the equivalent courses are offered in the District.

Grades earned in nonaccredited schools shall not be weighted.

Appeal

A transfer student may appeal, in accordance with the student and parent complaint policy at FNG(LOCAL), the denial by the District to assign a weight to a transferred grade.

Transcripts

Beginning with ~~students entering grade 9 in the 2019-2020 school year~~ **THE GRADUATING CLASS OF 2023** and thereafter, transcripts will reflect two GPAs. The class rank GPA will reflect all credits earned under the distinguished level of achievement. The overall GPA will reflect all remaining eligible credits earned to include the credits used to calculate class rank.

	<p>For students entering grade 9 during the 2013-14 school year or later GRADUATING CLASS OF 2022</p>	<p>For students entering grade 9 during the 2019-20 school year or later GRADUATING CLASS OF 2023 AND THEREAFTER</p>
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<p>Honor Graduates: Honors and High Honors for Local Recognition</p>	<p>The top ten percent of the class membership shall comprise the honor group. The top ten percent shall be determined based on the number of seniors enrolled in PEIMS on the snapshot date. The top two percent of this membership shall comprise the high honor group for local recognition at spring commencement (with a minimum of three students). Any fraction above a whole number shall add one student to the high honor and/or honor group.</p>	<p>The top ten percent of the class membership shall comprise the honor group. The top ten percent shall be determined based on the number of seniors enrolled in PEIMS on the snapshot date. The top two percent of this membership shall comprise the high honor group for local recognition at spring commencement (with a minimum of three students). Any fraction above a whole number shall add one student to the high honor and/or honor group.</p>
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<p>Valedictorian and Salutatorian Honors</p>	<p>The student with the highest weighted GPA shall receive valedictorian honors; the student with the second-highest weighted GPA shall receive salutatorian honors.</p> <p>To be eligible for these honors, a student must have been enrolled in the school from which he or she is graduating for the last four semesters, excluding summer sessions, preceding the student's graduation. The only exception shall be for a student enrolling from an accredited school outside of El Paso or Dona Ana County, who shall be eligible, but the student must be enrolled in a District secondary school on the PEIMS Snapshot date.</p> <p>In case of a tie, the following factors, in descending order, shall determine the valedictorian:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. The student who has taken the greatest number of advanced courses counting towards GPA.2. The student who has taken the greatest number of classes counted towards GPA.3. The student who has been enrolled in the graduating school the longest.	<p>The student with the highest class rank GPA shall receive valedictorian honors; the student with the second-highest class rank GPA shall receive salutatorian honors.</p> <p>To be eligible for these honors, a student must have been enrolled in the school from which he or she is graduating for the last four semesters, excluding summer sessions, preceding the student's graduation. The only exception shall be for a student enrolling from an accredited school outside of El Paso or Dona Ana county, who shall be eligible, but the student must be enrolled in a district secondary school on the PEIMS snapshot date.</p> <p>In case of a tie, the following factors, in descending order, shall determine the valedictorian:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. The student who has taken the greatest number of advanced courses counting towards class rank GPA.2. The student who has taken the greatest number of classes counted towards the overall GPA.3. The student who has been enrolled in the graduating school the longest.
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<p>Prerequisites</p>	<p>For honor graduate, honors, and high honors recognition, students enrolling from an accredited school outside of El Paso or Dona Ana County must be enrolled in a District secondary school on the PEIMS snapshot date. The student must complete a minimum of six credits in the District prior to graduation. These procedures shall apply to local recognition only and not for college admission purposes.</p> <p>Students completing requirements for graduation at the end of the fall semester shall be ranked with the following spring semester class. Those completing requirements during the summer shall be ranked with the preceding spring semester class. Duplicate ranks may occur. These procedures shall apply to local recognition only and not for college admission purposes.</p> <p>Those students selected for local honor group participation in an academic school year must complete the requirements for graduation during the fall and/or spring semester of the selection year.</p> <p>If there is a change when final grades are averaged, new names may be added to</p>	<p>For honor graduate, honors, and high honors recognition, students enrolling from an accredited school outside of El Paso or Dona Ana county must be enrolled in a District secondary school on the PEIMS snapshot date. The student must complete a minimum of six credits in the District prior to graduation. These procedures shall apply to local recognition only and not for college admission purposes.</p> <p>Students completing requirements for graduation at the end of the fall semester shall be ranked with the following spring semester class. Those completing requirements during the summer shall be ranked with the preceding spring semester class. Duplicate ranks may occur. These procedures shall apply to local recognition only and not for college admission purposes.</p> <p>For a three-year graduate to qualify as an honor graduate, the student must declare in writing their intent to graduate early and have earned sufficient credits to reach senior status prior to the first day of school.</p> <p>Those students selected for local honor group participation in an academic school year must complete the requirements for graduation</p>
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	the honor group without deleting names already announced.	during the fall and/or spring semester of the selection year. If there is a change when final grades are averaged, new names may be added to the honor group without deleting names already announced.
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High schools shall compute class rank for the purpose of graduation ceremonies for local honors by utilizing spring semester grades based on work completed through the end of the third nine-week grading period of the school year. The top two percent (high honors group) shall be determined from the honors group. Honoring the top two percent at the graduation ceremony shall be based on the use of final grades for the spring semester.

Multiple credit courses shall be calculated in the same manner as a single credit course multiplied by the number of credits attempted.

If a student repeats a course to make up a failure or loss of credit due to attendance, both courses and grades will be recorded on the academic achievement record. In determining the student's GPA for class ranking, the courses and grades are computed as if each were a separate and different course. ~~A student may not repeat a course where credit has been previously awarded.~~

IN ADDITION TO THE PROVISION ABOVE, THE GRADE FOR A REPEATED COURSE SHALL ALSO BE INCLUDED IN THE CALCULATION OF CLASS RANK, WHEN THE REPEATED COURSE IS NECESSARY:

- 1) TO EARN COLLEGE CREDIT, (EX. STUDENT TOOK PHYSICS, THEN WISHES TO TAKE DUAL CREDIT PHYSICS)**
- 2) TO PARTICIPATE IN CCTE PROGRAM OF STUDY (EX. STUDENT TOOK HEALTH SCIENCE AND WISHES TO TAKE CCTE SPECIFIC HEALTH SCIENCE PROGRAM)**
- 3) TO EARN SEMESTER CREDIT WHERE GRADE WAS BELOW 70 BUT CREDIT IS OR MAY BE EARNED THROUGH CREDIT AVERAGING**

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Letter Grade
Conversion

Letter grade conversions shall be calculated using the following values for letter grades and numerical scores.

~~Students~~
~~Entering Grade 9~~
~~in the 2013-14~~
~~School Year~~
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CLASS OF 2022

~~Beginning with students entering grade 9 in the 2013-14 school year,~~ **FOR THE GRADUATING CLASS OF 2022**, the District shall convert grades earned in all eligible courses to grade points in accordance with the following chart and shall calculate a weighted GPA.

**WEIGHTED GRADE SYSTEM
TIER RANKING AND GRADE CONVERSION CHART**

LETTER GRADE	NUMERICAL GRADE	ADV COURSE (IB/AP/DC) GPA	ADV COURSE (GTIS/IBP/PAP) GPA	REGULAR COURSE GPA
		Tier 1	Tier 2	Tier 3
	100	5.00	4.50	4.00
A+	99	4.95	4.45	3.95
	98	4.90	4.40	3.90
	97	4.85	4.35	3.85
	96	4.80	4.30	3.80
A	95	4.75	4.25	3.75
	94	4.70	4.20	3.70
	93	4.65	4.15	3.65
	92	4.60	4.10	3.60
A-	91	4.55	4.05	3.55
	90	4.50	4.00	3.50
	89	4.45	3.95	3.45
B+	88	4.40	3.90	3.40
	87	4.35	3.85	3.35
	86	4.30	3.80	3.30
B	85	4.25	3.75	3.25
	84	4.20	3.70	3.20
	83	4.15	3.65	3.15
B-	82	4.10	3.60	3.10
	81	4.05	3.55	3.05
	80	4.00	3.50	3.00
C+	79	3.90	3.40	2.90
	78	3.80	3.30	2.80
C	77	3.70	3.20	2.70
	76	3.60	3.10	2.60
C-	75	3.50	3.00	2.50
D+	74	3.40	2.90	2.40
	73	3.30	2.80	2.30
D	72	3.20	2.70	2.20
	71	3.10	2.60	2.10

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		Tier 1	Tier 2	Tier 3
D-	70	3.00	2.50	2.00
F	69	0.00	0.00	0.00

~~Students Entering Grade 9 in the 2019-20 School Year~~
GRADUATING CLASS OF 2023 AND THEREAFTER

Beginning with ~~students entering grade 9 in the 2019-20 school year~~ **THE GRADUATING CLASS OF 2023**, the District shall convert grades earned in all eligible courses to grade points in accordance with the following chart and shall calculate a GPA:

TIER 3 CLASS (REGULAR WEIGHTING)	TIER 2 CLASS (IBP/PRE-AP)	TIER 1 CLASS (IB/AP/DC/DE/ACC)	LETTER GRADE	NUMERICAL GRADE EARNED IN CLASS
4.0000	4.5000	5.0000	A+	100
3.9500	4.4438	4.9375	A+	99
3.9000	4.3875	4.8750	A+	98
3.8500	4.3313	4.8125	A+	97
3.8000	4.2750	4.7500	A	96
3.7500	4.2188	4.6875	A	95
3.7000	4.1625	4.6250	A	94
3.6500	4.1063	4.5625	A	93
3.6000	4.0500	4.5000	A-	92
3.5500	3.9938	4.4375	A-	91
3.5000	3.9375	4.3750	A-	90
3.4500	3.8813	4.3125	B+	89
3.4000	3.8250	4.2500	B+	88
3.3500	3.7688	4.1875	B+	87
3.3000	3.7125	4.1250	B	86
3.2500	3.6563	4.0625	B	85
3.2000	3.6000	4.0000	B	84
3.1500	3.5438	3.9375	B	83
3.1000	3.4875	3.8750	B-	82
3.0500	3.4313	3.8125	B-	81
3.0000	3.3750	3.7500	B-	80
2.9000	3.2625	3.6250	C+	79

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2.8000	3.1500	3.5000	C+	78
2.7000	3.0375	3.3750	C+	77
2.6000	2.9250	3.2500	C	76
2.5000	2.8125	3.1250	C	75
2.4000	2.7000	3.0000	C	74
2.3000	2.5875	2.8750	C	73
2.2000	2.4750	2.7500	C-	72
2.1000	2.3625	2.6250	C-	71
2.0000	2.2500	2.5000	C-	70
1.9714	2.2179	2.4643	F	69
1.9429	2.1857	2.4286	F	68
1.9143	2.1536	2.3929	F	67
1.8857	2.1214	2.3571	F	66
1.8571	2.0893	2.3214	F	65
1.8286	2.0571	2.2857	F	64
1.8000	2.0250	2.2500	F	63
1.7714	1.9929	2.2143	F	62
1.7429	1.9607	2.1786	F	61
1.7143	1.9286	2.1429	F	60
1.6857	1.8964	2.1071	F	59
1.6571	1.8643	2.0714	F	58
1.6286	1.8321	2.0357	F	57
1.6000	1.8000	2.0000	F	56
1.5714	1.7679	1.9643	F	55
1.5429	1.7357	1.9286	F	54
1.5143	1.7036	1.8929	F	53
1.4857	1.6714	1.8571	F	52
1.4571	1.6393	1.8214	F	51
1.4286	1.6071	1.7857	F	50
1.4000	1.5750	1.7500	F	49
1.3714	1.5429	1.7143	F	48
1.3429	1.5107	1.6786	F	47
1.3143	1.4786	1.6429	F	46
1.2857	1.4464	1.6071	F	45
1.2571	1.4143	1.5714	F	44
1.2286	1.3821	1.5357	F	43
1.2000	1.3500	1.5000	F	42

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1.1714	1.3179	1.4643	F	41
1.1429	1.2857	1.4286	F	40
1.1143	1.2536	1.3929	F	39
1.0857	1.2214	1.3571	F	38
1.0571	1.1893	1.3214	F	37
1.0286	1.1571	1.2857	F	36
1.0000	1.1250	1.2500	F	35
0.9714	1.0929	1.2143	F	34
0.9429	1.0607	1.1786	F	33
0.9143	1.0286	1.1429	F	32
0.8857	0.9964	1.1071	F	31
0.8571	0.9643	1.0714	F	30
0.8286	0.9321	1.0357	F	29
0.8000	0.9000	1.0000	F	28
0.7714	0.8679	0.9643	F	27
0.7429	0.8357	0.9286	F	26
0.7143	0.8036	0.8929	F	25
0.6857	0.7714	0.8571	F	24
0.6571	0.7393	0.8214	F	23
0.6286	0.7071	0.7857	F	22
0.6000	0.6750	0.7500	F	21
0.5714	0.6429	0.7143	F	20
0.5429	0.6107	0.6786	F	19
0.5143	0.5786	0.6429	F	18
0.4857	0.5464	0.6071	F	17
0.4571	0.5143	0.5714	F	16
0.4286	0.4821	0.5357	F	15
0.4000	0.4500	0.5000	F	14
0.3714	0.4179	0.4643	F	13
0.3429	0.3857	0.4286	F	12
0.3143	0.3536	0.3929	F	11
0.2857	0.3214	0.3571	F	10
0.2571	0.2893	0.3214	F	9
0.2286	0.2571	0.2857	F	8
0.2000	0.2250	0.2500	F	7
0.1714	0.1929	0.2143	F	6
0.1429	0.1607	0.1786	F	5

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0.1143	0.1286	0.1429	F	4
0.0857	0.0964	0.1071	F	3
0.0571	0.0643	0.0714	F	2
0.0286	0.0321	0.0357	F	1
0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	F	0

Advanced Courses

Advanced courses shall include:

- Tier 1 Advanced Courses: International Baccalaureate (IB), Advanced Placement (AP), and Dual Credit Courses (DC), Dual Enrollment Courses (DE); and Articulated Credit Courses (ACC)
- Tier 2 Advanced Courses: International Baccalaureate Preparation (IBP), and Pre-Advanced Placement (Pre-AP).