

GRADE POINT AVERAGE CALCULATION/CLASS RANK

Grade point averages shall be calculated by averaging semester grades earned in grades 9-12 and any high school course taken prior to ninth grade for which a student earned state graduation credit according to the scale below. Beginning with students entering the ninth grade during the 2005-2006 school year, grade points shall be assigned according to the level of the course. The level of courses shall be:

1. **Advanced Placement (AP):** Courses are nationally/internationally recognized for their advanced level of curriculum. Students may have the potential to earn college credit for these courses.
2. **Pre-AP:** Courses are those in which the state-mandated curriculum is extended and enriched, resulting in an academically rigorous curriculum in preparation for participating in an AP course.
3. **Academic:** Courses are those that provide a challenging curriculum in a variety of offerings based on state-mandated curriculum and aligned with Coppel ISD curriculum standards.
4. **Basic:** Courses are those that are awarded local credit and courses in which curriculum is based on a modification of state course requirements.

Grades	AP	Pre-AP	Academic	Basic
97-100	6.0	5.5	5.0	4.0
94-96	5.8	5.3	4.8	3.8
90-93	5.6	5.1	4.6	3.6
87-89	5.4	4.9	4.4	3.4
84-86	5.2	4.7	4.2	3.2
80-83	5.0	4.5	4.0	3.0
77-79	4.8	4.3	3.8	2.8
74-76	4.6	4.1	3.6	2.6
71-73	4.4	3.9	3.4	2.4
70	4.2	3.7	3.2	2.2

Courses excluded from grade point calculations are: band, PE, chorale music, driver education, office aide, counselor aide, athletics, drill team, cheerleading, and any local credit courses.

The following courses shall also be excluded from grade point calculations:

- correspondence courses
- online courses
- credit by exam (with or without prior instruction)
- dual credit courses
- summer school courses
- courses awarded credit by non-accredited institutions.

All students shall be included in computing class rank using grade point average calculations.