

**PROPOSED REVISIONS: 3.2.2026**

**Consistent  
Application for  
Graduating Class**

The District shall apply the same class rank calculation method and local rules for graduation honors for all students in a graduating class, regardless of the school year in which a student first earned high school credit.

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~~**Note:** — The following provisions shall apply to students in the graduating class of 2025.~~

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**Calculation**

~~The District shall include in the calculation of class rank semester grades earned in high school credit courses taken in grades 9-12 only in the following subject areas: English, mathematics, science, social studies, and languages other than English.~~

~~The class rank calculation shall not include semester grades from a course that is retaken after a passing grade has been earned, and the new grade shall not be recorded on the transcript.~~

~~The calculation shall include failing grades.~~

**Exclusions**

~~The calculation of class rank shall exclude grades earned in a dual credit course taken anywhere other than the District high school.~~

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~~**Note:** — The following provisions shall apply to students beginning with the graduating class of 2026.~~

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**Weighted Grade  
System**

Categories

The District shall categorize and weight eligible courses as Advanced Placement (AP)/Dual credit, Honors, and Regular in accordance with provisions of this policy and as designated in appropriate District publications.

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*AP / Dual Credit* Eligible AP and dual credit courses designated shall be categorized and weighted as AP/Dual Credit courses.

*Honors* Eligible courses locally designated as honors courses shall be categorized and weighted as Honors courses.

*Regular* All other eligible courses shall be categorized and weighted as Regular courses.

Weighted Grade Point Average The District shall convert semester grades earned in eligible courses to grade points in accordance with the following chart and shall calculate a weighted grade point average (GPA):

Grade	AP / Dual Credit	Honors	Regular
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

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Grade	AP / Dual Credit	Honors	Regular
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
Below 70	0	0	0

**Transferred Grades**

When a student transfers semester grades for courses that would be eligible under the Regular category and the District has accepted the credit, the District shall include the grades in the calculation of class rank.

When a student transfers semester grades for properly documented and eligible courses to receive additional weight under the District's weighted grade system, the District shall assign weight to the grades based on the categories and grade weight system used by the District if a similar or an equivalent 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 in accordance with this policy and administrative regulations by using grades available at the time of calculation at the end of the third quarter grading period of the senior year. The third quarter grade shall be used as the semester grade for this purpose.

**Beginning with the graduating class of 2027, grades for dual credit courses earned in the spring semester of the senior year shall not be used in the calculation.**

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For the purpose of applications to institutions of higher education, the District shall also calculate class rank 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 rank for the purpose of automatic admission under state law. [See EIC(LEGAL)]

Valedictorian and  
Salutatorian

The valedictorian and salutatorian shall be the eligible students with the highest and second-highest rank, respectively. To be eligible for this local graduation honor, a student must:

1. Have been continuously enrolled in the District high school for the four semesters immediately preceding graduation;
2. Be graduating after exactly eight semesters of enrollment in high school; and
3. Have completed the foundation program with the distinguished level of achievement.

*Breaking Ties*

In case of a tie in weighted GPAs after calculation to the fourth decimal place, the District shall apply the following methods, in this order, to determine recognition as valedictorian or salutatorian:

1. Count the number of AP and dual credit courses taken by each student involved in the tie.
2. Calculate a weighted GPA using only eligible grades in AP and dual credit courses taken by each student involved in the tie.

If the tie is not broken after applying these methods, the District shall recognize all students involved in the tie as sharing the honor and title.

**High Honor  
Graduates and  
Honor Graduates**

The District shall recognize as high honor graduates at the graduation ceremony all students whose weighted GPAs comprise the top 10 percent of the students in the graduating class.

The District shall recognize as honor graduates at the graduation ceremony all students whose weighted GPAs fall within the category of 11 percent through 20 percent of the students in the graduating class.

**Highest-Ranking  
Graduate**

The student meeting the local eligibility criteria for recognition as the valedictorian shall also be considered the highest-ranking graduate for purposes of receiving the honor graduate certificate from the state of Texas.