

ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT  
CLASS RANKING

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(LOCAL)

DISTINGUISHED  
LEVEL OF  
ACHIEVEMENT FOR  
GRADUATION

Students must have met all requirements of a high school personal graduation plan, including the foundation program with the distinguished level of achievement for graduation with one or more endorsements, to enable the student to achieve a class rank of one of the top ten students at the District's high school.

VALEDICTORIAN AND  
SALUTATORIAN

Valedictorian and salutatorian honors shall be determined no earlier than ten days and no later than five days immediately prior to the graduation date for the graduating class.

The student with the highest GPA under this policy shall receive the honor of valedictorian; the student with the second-highest GPA under this policy shall receive the honor of salutatorian. All other students shall be ranked in descending order to determine final class rank under this policy.

Ties shall be broken in accordance with the tie-breaking provisions of this policy.

CALCULATIONS OF  
GPA

Final GPAs shall be calculated by the counselor and principal at least five working days before the end of the school year. All final GPAs for the top-ranking students shall be reviewed by the Superintendent for final verification.

Class ranks for the ninth, tenth, and eleventh grade students shall be calculated at the end of each semester and shall be made available at the beginning of the following semester. Senior class ranks will be calculated again at the end of the first semester for scholarship purposes.

Grades earned through the following programs shall not be used to determine class rank:

1. Remedial summer school programs;
2. Credit by examinations;
3. Correspondence courses;
4. Local credit with the exception of ACT/SAT Prep Course effective the 16-17 school year.
5. Independent study as assigned by the principal or counselor;
6. Any nontraditional, computer-based software program course; and
7. Grades earned in a non accredited private school.

Students and parents are encouraged to contact the counselor for information about applications and deadlines for admissions to four-year public universities and colleges in Texas.