

# Guide to Understanding GPA for Class of 2015 and Beyond.

What is the difference between **Unweighted GPA** and **Weighted GPA**?

**Unweighted takes ALL your classes and converts it into a 4.0 scale.**

**Grades of 90-100 = 4.0**

**Grades of 80- 89 = 3.0**

**Grades of 70-79 = 2.0**

**Anything below a 70 = 0.0**

**Weighted GPA uses classes that fall under the categories of Math, English, Social Studies, Science and Foreign Language.**

**They are then converted based on both grade and level. The chart below comes from the district policy.**

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ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT  
CLASS RANKING

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## POINT SYSTEM FOR RANKING

Students will be ranked for class standing on the following system:

Level 1 — Skills		Level 2 — Regular		Level 3 — Gifted and Talented/Pre-Advanced Placement (Pre-AP), and dual credit (non-AP) courses		Level 4 — AP courses, including combined AP/dual credit courses	
Grade	Grade Points	Grade	Grade Points	Grade	Grade Points	Grade	Grade Points
100	4.0	100	5.0	100	6.0	100	7.0
99	3.9	99	4.9	99	5.9	99	6.9
98	3.8	98	4.8	98	5.8	98	6.8
97	3.7	97	4.7	97	5.7	97	6.7
96	3.6	96	4.6	96	5.6	96	6.6
95	3.5	95	4.5	95	5.5	95	6.5
94	3.4	94	4.4	94	5.4	94	6.4
93	3.3	93	4.3	93	5.3	93	6.3
92	3.2	92	4.2	92	5.2	92	6.2
91	3.1	91	4.1	91	5.1	91	6.1
90	3.0	90	4.0	90	5.0	90	6.0
89	2.9	89	3.9	89	4.9	89	5.9
88	2.8	88	3.8	88	4.8	88	5.8
87	2.7	87	3.7	87	4.7	87	5.7
86	2.6	86	3.6	86	4.6	86	5.6
85	2.5	85	3.5	85	4.5	85	5.5
84	2.4	84	3.4	84	4.4	84	5.4
83	2.3	83	3.3	83	4.3	83	5.3
82	2.2	82	3.2	82	4.2	82	5.2
81	2.1	81	3.1	81	4.1	81	5.1
80	2.0	80	3.0	80	4.0	80	5.0

**The chart continues in the same pattern to a 70. Weighted GPA is then used to determine a student's rank.**

**The classes listed below are the classes that fall into one of the categories that count in Weighted GPA**

- **English 1, English 2, English 3, English 4 (regular, Pre/AP, AP)**
- **English Electives: Creative Writing, Literary Genre (Heroes and Mythology), Communication Applications, Public Speaking, Oral Interpretation (1,2,3), Debate (1,2,3) Journalism, Newspaper(1,2,3), Yearbook (1,2,3), Photojournalism**
- **All Math Classes (Regular, Pre/AP, AP)**
- **All Science Classes (Regular, Pre/AP, AP)**
- **All History Classes (Regular, Pre/AP, AP)**
- **History Electives: Psychology (regular, AP), Sociology, Human Geography, European History,**
- **All Foreign Language Classes**