

Calculation	The District shall include in the calculation of class rank grades earned in all high school credit courses regardless of when the credit was earned, unless excluded below.
Exclusions	The calculation of class rank shall exclude grades earned in or by physical education; athletics; cheerleading; band; a local credit course; credit by examination, without prior instruction; summer school; and distance learning.
Weighted Grade System	The District shall categorize and weight eligible courses as Level 3 (Advanced), Level 2 (Basic), and Level 1 (Entry) in accordance with provisions of this policy.
Categories	
<i>Level 3 (Advanced)</i>	Eligible dual credit courses shall be categorized and weighted as Level 3 (Advanced) courses.
<i>Level 2 (Basic)</i>	All other eligible courses designated in the student handbook shall be categorized and weighted as Level 2 (Basic) courses.
<i>Level 1 (Entry)</i>	Eligible special education/resource courses shall be designated as Level 1 (Entry) courses.
Weighted Grade Point Average	The District shall convert grades earned in eligible courses to grade points in accordance with the weighted grade point chart published in the student handbook and shall calculate a weighted grade point average (GPA).
Transferred Grades	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.
Local Graduation Honors	For the purpose of determining honors to be conferred during graduation activities, the District shall calculate class rank using grades available at the time of calculation at the end of the fifth six-week grading period of the senior year. The average of the fourth and fifth six-week grades shall be used as the semester grade for this purpose. For the purpose of applications to institutions of higher education, the District shall also calculate class ranking 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 ranking 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 ranking, respectively. To be eligible for such recognition, a student must:

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1. Have been continuously enrolled in the District high school for the two school years immediately preceding graduation;
2. Have completed the Recommended Program or the Advanced/Distinguished Achievement Program for graduation; and
3. Be graduating after exactly eight semesters of enrollment in high school.

Breaking Ties

In case of a tie in weighted GPAs after calculation to the thousandths place, the District shall recognize all students involved in the tie as sharing the honor and title.