

Calculation	The District shall include in the calculation of class rank semester grades, including failing grades, earned in all high school credit courses regardless of when the credit was earned, except as excluded in this policy.						
Exclusions	The calculation of class rank shall exclude grades earned in athletics/physical education, journalism, independent studies, teacher/office aide, and traditional correspondence courses.						
Weighted Grade System	The District shall categorize and weight courses as Advanced and Regular in accordance with provisions of this policy.						
Categories							
<i>Advanced Courses</i>	Eligible dual credit courses and other courses locally designated as Advanced courses in the student handbook shall be categorized and weighted as Advanced courses.						
<i>Regular Courses</i>	All other eligible courses shall be designated as Regular courses.						
Weighted Numerical Grade Average	The District shall assign weights to semester grades and shall calculate a weighted numerical grade average in accordance with the following scale: <table><thead><tr><th>Category</th><th>Weight</th></tr></thead><tbody><tr><td>Advanced</td><td>multiplied by 1.2</td></tr><tr><td>Regular</td><td>multiplied by 1</td></tr></tbody></table>	Category	Weight	Advanced	multiplied by 1.2	Regular	multiplied by 1
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Transferred Grades	The District shall record weighted numerical grades on student transcripts. When a student transfers grades for properly documented 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 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)]						

ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT
CLASS RANKING

EIC
(LOCAL)

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:

1. Have been continuously enrolled in the District high school for the four semesters immediately preceding graduation;
2. Have completed the Recommended Program or the Advanced/Distinguished Achievement Program for graduation;
3. Be graduating after exactly eight semesters of enrollment in high school; and
4. Have a cumulative weighted numerical grade average of 95 or higher.

Breaking Ties

In case of a tie in weighted numerical grade averages after calculation to the hundred-thousandths place (fifth decimal place), the District shall recognize all students involved in the tie as sharing the honor and title.