

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; fine arts; dance; band; choir; an assigned remediation or tutoring course; a local credit course; a course for which a pass/fail grade is assigned; credit by examination, with or without prior instruction; courses substituted for physical education; and summer school.

Weighted Grade System

The District shall categorize and weight eligible courses as AP/Honors and Regular in accordance with provisions of this policy.

Categories

Level III

Eligible Advanced Placement (AP) courses and courses designated as honors in the student handbook shall be categorized and weighted as Level III courses.

Level II

Courses locally designated as honors courses in the administrative procedures shall be categorized and weighted as Level II courses.

Level I

All other eligible courses shall be designated as Level I courses.

Weighted Numerical Grade Average

The District shall assign weights to grades earned in eligible courses and shall calculate a weighted numerical grade average in accordance with the following scale:

Category	Weight
Level III	plus 10
Level II	plus 5
Level I	plus zero

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 if similar or equivalent courses are 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 using grades available at the time of calculation at the end of the third nine-week grading period of the senior year. The average of the fourth nine-week grades shall be used as the semester grade for this purpose.

ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT
CLASS RANKING

EIC
(LOCAL)

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 such recognition, a student must:

1. Have been continuously enrolled in the District high school for the two full school years immediately preceding graduation; and
2. Have completed the Recommended Program or the Advanced/Distinguished Achievement Program for graduation.

Breaking Ties

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

Honor Graduates

The District shall recognize as an honor graduate each student who has earned an overall weighted numerical grade average of 90 or above.