

## 4741 CLASS RANKING

The final class rank will be developed using the ranking averages of all graduating students. Ranking averages are computed by using final averages for all completed credit bearing courses except physical education and driver's education courses. Rankings are generally computed twice. The first ranking includes courses completed by the end of August preceding the student's senior year and the second includes mid-year averages in senior year.

### Computation of Averages

1. Computation of ranking averages will be as follows:

- a. For full year and BOCES courses, the final average is multiplied by the number of credits.
- b. For semester courses, the final average is multiplied by .5.
- c. For mid year grading, the average of the first two marking periods is multiplied by their respective weighting.
- d. The final average times credit total is divided by the total number of credits including one half of the anticipated credits as of mid-senior year.

2. The following weighting values will be added to the students' overall GPA for Advanced Placement courses and Science Research 10-12 when ranking is calculated. In order to receive the Advanced Placement course designation on the student transcript and to receive the course weighting accruing to Advanced Placement courses, students enrolled in Advanced Placement courses are required to participate in the respective Advanced Placement exam(s).

- a. 1 for each final average and .5 for each midyear average between 95 and 100;
- b. .8 for each final average and .4 for each midyear average between 90 and 94;
- c. .6 for each final average and .3 for each midyear average between 85 and 89;
- d. .4 for each final average and .2 for each midyear average between 80 and 84;
- e. .2 for each final average and .1 for each midyear average between 75 and 79; and

f. .1 for each final average and .05 for each midyear average between 65 and 74.

3. The following weighting values will be added to the students' overall GPA for dual-credit college/university courses when ranking is calculated.

In order to receive the course weighting in dual-credit college courses, students must be awarded college/university credit from the respective institution.

a. 0.5 for each final average and .25 for each midyear average between 95 and 100;

b. 0.4 for each final average and .2 for each midyear average between 90 and 94;

c. 0.3 for each final average and .15 for each midyear average between 85 and 89;

d. 0.2 for each final average and .1 for each midyear average between 80 and 84; and

e. 0.1 for each final average and .05 for each midyear average between 75 and 79;

4. Preliminary class ranking developed prior to the end of the first semester of senior year shall reflect courses and Advanced Placement weighting up to the time that the preliminary class ranking is computed.

The revised weighting is effective beginning the 2023-24 school year and thereafter.

### **Valedictorian and salutatorian**

Rank in class shall be the sole criterion for determining the valedictorian(s) and salutatorian(s). Determination of these honors will be calculated after the first semester of the graduating year.

In order to be considered for these honors, a student, at the time of the determination of these honors, must have had at least three consecutive high school semesters (grades 9-12) in residence as a district student.

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