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## 5430 CLASS RANK

The Board of Education acknowledges the usefulness of a system of computing grade point averages and class ranking for secondary school graduates, both to inform pupils of their relative academic placement among their peers and to provide pupils, prospective employers, and/or institutions of higher learning with a predictive device so that each pupil is more likely to be placed in an environment conducive to success.

Elements included in student standing:

1. Student standing will be computed for all students and is based upon coursework completed only at MOHS.
2. Every course a student takes will count in the calculation of student standing except for SAT Prep and Volunteer Service.
3. Every existing course, and any new course adopted by the Board of Education in the future, will be weighted according to four categories: Advanced Placement, Honors, College Preparatory, or Core.
4. Student standing will be computed at the end of each academic year for grades 9-11 and at the end of the third quarter for grade 12 for the purpose of identifying the class valedictorian and salutatorian.
5. To be included in the calculation of student standing, a student must have completed at least five semesters at MOHS .
6. Student standing will be determined based upon the four marking period grades and the mid-term and final exam if given.

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7. The letter grades earned will carry assigned GPA weights according to the table below:

| Alpha <br> Grade | Numeric <br> Grade | AP | Honors | CP | Core |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| A+ | $100-98$ | 5.33 | 4.83 | 4.33 | 3.83 |
| A | $97-93$ | 5.00 | 4.50 | 4.00 | 3.50 |
| A- | $92-90$ | 4.67 | 4.17 | 3.67 | 3.17 |
| B+ | $89-87$ | 4.33 | 3.83 | 3.33 | 2.83 |
| B | $86-83$ | 4.00 | 3.50 | 3.00 | 2.50 |
| B- | $82-80$ | 3.67 | 3.17 | 2.67 | 2.17 |
| C+ | $79-77$ | 3.33 | 2.83 | 2.33 | 1.83 |
| C | $76-73$ | 3.00 | 2.50 | 2.00 | 1.50 |
| C- | $72-70$ | 2.67 | 2.17 | 1.67 | 1.17 |
| F | Below 70 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| WP |  | 2.00 | 1.50 | 1.00 | 0.50 |
| WF |  | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| P |  | 3.00 | 2.50 | 2.00 | 1.50 |

Calculation of Student Standing
The weighted GPA value for each mark included in the calculation of student standing will be totaled and divided by the number of grades included to yield the student's weighted GPA. Weighted GPA will be arranged in descending order to determine a student's standing relative to the class.

- A student who withdraws (either passing or failing) from a class will have all marks issued calculated at the weight of the class.
- Formula:

Weighted GPA value for each mark = Student weighted GPA Number of marks issued

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Reporting of Student Standing

- The student's weighted GPA will be posted on the transcript annually.
- Student standing based on the calculation of weighted GPA will be reported in decile groupings. For each grade level, 9 - 11, a chart will be prepared describing the range of scores included in each decile.
- For grade 12, individual standing will be reported for the class valedictorian and salutatorian.
- For the purposes of scholarships or awards, individual standing can be reported directly to the institution upon request.

Traditional GPA

A traditional GPA will also be calculated for all students each year. Final grades in all courses taken, except SAT Prep and courses where the final grade is reported as Pass/Fail, Medical Excuse or Audit, will be utilized in this calculation and transposed as follows:

| Final <br> Grade | GPA Weight |
| :---: | :---: |
| A | 4.0 |
| B | 3.0 |
| C | 2.0 |
| F | 0.0 |
| WP | 1.0 |
| WF | 0.0 |

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The GPA weight for each course will be multiplied by the number of credits of each course. This total, divided by the number of credits attempted will yield the traditional GPA.

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