

Bruneau-Grand View Joint School District #365

INSTRUCTION

2600

Instructional Grading and Assessment

GPA Calculation

Starting with the Graduating Cohort of 2021.

Exclude the following Non-GPA Courses: Advisory, Driver Education, All Aide Positions, Work Experience, and any other course receiving a Pass/Fail grade.

Count the number of A, B, C, D and F's in the remaining courses and multiply by the number of grade points for each letter grade received. Divide the grade points by the number of credits in GPA courses, plus the "F's". This will give you the GPA (grade point average).

Standard Unweighted Grades

An unweighted system of grading has been implemented. This scale will be used for all high school level courses receiving a letter grade. When asked for an unweighted GPA, this scale will be used for all courses, including those on a weighted scale.

Weighted Grades

A weighted grading scale has been implemented for the purpose of encouraging and rewarding students for taking Dual Credit or Advanced Placement courses. The grading scale is calculated on the 5.0 system. This scale will be used to determine the class rank as well as the valedictorian and salutatorian.

Weighting of Dual Credit/Advanced Placement Grades

High school students enrolled in an approved Advanced Placement course will have their letter grades weighted by the addition of one point to the number normally given. For example, an "A" grade in a Dual Credit course will receive five points. However, a grade of "F" in a Dual Credit course will receive no points.

Letter Grade	Percent Grade	Unweighted Grade	DC / AP
A	90-100	4.0	5.0
B	80-89	3.0	4.0
C	70-79	2.0	3.0
D	60-69	1.0	2.0
F	Below 60	0.0	0.0

Honor Roll

Scholarship is recognized and encouraged through an Academic Honor Roll. The Honor Roll is compiled at the end of each semester for full-time students. Honor Roll designations are restricted to “B+” average or above with no failing grades.

Honors for Graduation

Honors: 3.25 - 3.49

High Honors: 3.5 - 3.74

Highest Honor: 3.75 and above

Valedictorian/ Salutatorian

Grade points shall be determined by the average of grades the seven (7) semesters of a student’s high school career. (Grade earned during the final semester shall not count for the purpose of this policy). Higher point value of advanced placement and honors classes will be evaluated for the purpose of Valedictorian and Salutatorian. A cumulative grade point of 3.5 or above at the end of the seventh semester is necessary to qualify. If at any time the overall GPA falls to disqualify the student’s status the honor will be removed and given to the next qualified student.

Dual Credit College

Courses are an opportunity for eligible students to enroll in college courses while they are still in high school. Students may receive high school credit and college credit for completed classes.

If approved, dual credit courses will be paid for by Fast Forward directly to the other institution. Families will be required to sign a yearly Fast Forward participation form.

Dual Credit courses must be approved by the school and entered on the student’s schedule and transcript. All courses paid for by the Fast Forward must be transcribed in the student’s public-school transcript.

If a student fails to earn credit for a course paid for by Fast Forward, the student must pay for a “like” courses on their own before he/she is eligible for further Fast Forward funding. If a student performs inadequately on an examination (or fails to take) paid for by Fast Forward the student must pay for the cost of “like” examination before using further funds. Fast Forward funds may not be used for repeated or remedial course work.

Dual enrollment shall include the option of enrollment in a postsecondary institution. Any credits earned from an accredited postsecondary institution shall be credited toward the state board of education high school graduation requirements. Credit must be at least 1 HS credit for college credit earned. For the purpose of transcribing grades, dual credit courses will be awarded half of the credit amount granted by the postsecondary institution.

However, some courses take the place/are equivalent to the graduation requirement, so credit will be granted to meet graduation standards.

Example: US History 10 A (1 HS credit) and B (1 HS credit) = DC US History 1 (3 college credits) for graduation purposes 2 HS credits will be awarded.

Repeated Classes

Retaking courses: When students repeat a course, the exact course or a course meeting the same standards provided by an accredited source, must be repeated and both grades will appear on the transcript, though the grade from the repeated course will be used in calculating grade point average. Students must complete a Request for Grade Change form and submit it to the Counselor. Students who repeated a class in which they had previously earned a passing grade will be granted elective credit for the repeated class.

Policy History:

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