

POLICY

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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 institutions of higher learning with a predictive device so that each pupil is more likely to be placed in an environment conducive to success.

The Board authorizes a system of class ranking, by grade point average, for pupils in grades 9 through 12. All pupils shall be ranked together.

Class rank will be calculated by the final grade in all subjects, except those subjects for which no credit is awarded, with no credit awarded for failing grades. Weighted credit will be calculated for grades earned in an honors course, a course of independent study, and advanced placement. The class ranking of a pupil who has transferred to this district will include the grades earned in the regular program of the prior school, with honors and A.P. courses given the same consideration as those taken in Collingswood. Grades earned in private summer school programs will not be included in the calculation of class rank.

A student who withdraws from a course prior to completion of 25% of the student days in that course will receive no credit or final grade for the course. This course will not impact the student's grade point average or class rank. Any student who withdraws from a course following the completion of ore the 25% of the student days in that course will receive a final grade of W (Withdraw) for the course. The grade of W is assigned the appropriate "credits attempted" value with zero (0) credits earned. This course will impact the grade point average and class rank. For the purposes of this policy, 25% of the student days consists of 25 days for a semester-length course and 50 days for a full-year course.

Any two or more pupils whose computed grade point averages are identical will be given the same rank. The rank of the pupil who immediately follows a tied position will be determined by the total number of all preceding pupils not by the rank of the immediately preceding pupil.

A pupil's grade point average and rank in class will be entered on the pupil's record and will be subject to Board Policy No. 8330 on the release of pupil records.

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