

## Class Rank & Grade Point Average

Senior class rank is determined by seven semesters ending with the first semester of your senior year. Class rank is based on a weighted grade point average. Many colleges and scholarship programs prefer to look at unweighted grade point averages. To determine your unweighted GPA, total quality points are divided by the total number of courses attempted. If you have taken Advanced Placement courses, you should be aware that your grade had 5% added to it. For an unweighted GPA, you should calculate those AP grades with the 5% removed. Many students get confused about what it means to have a true 4.0 GPA. Simply stated, a student with a 4.0 GPA has never earned any grade below an 'A' on all high school coursework.

### Quality Points Scale

Course Grade	A	B	C	D	F
Quality Points	4	3	2	1	0

### Example

Course	Weighted Grade	Weighted Quality Point	Unweighted Grade	Unweighted Quality Point
AP British Lit.	95	4	90	4
AP Calculus	80	3	76	2
Spanish II	85	3	85	3
P.E.	100	4	100	4
		Weighted GPA = 3.5		Unweighted GPA = 3.25

### HOPE GPA

HOPE eligibility is determined by the Georgia Student Finance Commission. To qualify for the HOPE scholarship, students must be a U.S. citizen or meet the eligible non-citizen requirements. Students must also meet HOPE's Georgia residency requirements. Students must earn a 3.0 cumulative GPA on all attempted college preparatory core curriculum coursework. Students on the career/technical diploma track must earn a 3.2 cumulative GPA on all attempted core curriculum coursework. Please note that HOPE requirements are set by the state of Georgia and are subject to change. The most current HOPE information is available online through [www.gacollege411.org](http://www.gacollege411.org).