

Policy

BOARD OF EDUCATION
HORTONVILLE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

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CLASS RANK

The Board acknowledges that students may need their computed class rank for reasons related to post-secondary opportunities, including the Academic and Technical Excellence Scholarships, and the University of Wisconsin guaranteed Admission Program.

The Board authorizes a system of class ranking, by grade point average, for students grades 9, 10, 11, and 12.

The District Administrator shall develop procedures for the computation of grade point averages and the assignment of class rank to implement this policy which shall include:

- A. a provision for students completing graduation requirements before their class;
- B. a system for fairly averaging makeup courses;
- C. a statement of the methods for such computation and assignment to be made available for those to whom a student's grade point average or rank in class is released;
- D. whether the GPA will be unweighted or will use weighting for certain classes in recognition of the heavier burden of certain work, classes, courses, etc.
- E. the subjects, if any, that are excluded from the GPA;
- F. how pass/fail grades are calculated in the GPA;
- G. how grades from study abroad, alternative, and home schools are calculated in GPA;
- H. how grades from another country earned by students are calculated in the GPA;

The class rank for students completing 11th grade shall be based on the GPA calculated pursuant to this policy and shall identify students in the top five percent (5%) and the top ten percent (10%) of the class. Once the class rank is established, the District Administrator shall notify each student ranked in the top ten percent (10%) of their ranking in either the top five percent (5%) or ten percent (10%) of the class and shall note the applicable ranking on the student's transcript as of the completion of grade 11.

Grade point average for purposes of the Wisconsin Academic Scholarship program will be calculated using the determinations made in this policy and in Policy 5451.01 – Wisconsin Academic Excellence Scholarship.

A system using GPA and other factors may be established by the District Administrator for the purpose of identifying the student(s) afforded cum laude honors. The system may consider GPA, extra-curricular activities, leadership roles, and other factors in determining honors under this section. No criteria may be based on any discriminatory or otherwise unlawful criteria.

Legal References:

39.41, 118.58, Wis. Stats.
Wis. Admin. Code HEA 9.05

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