

Rensselaer Central High School Grading Scales

Effective 2017-2018 School Year



Regular 4.0 Scale		
Grade	Percentages	Points
A+	100-98	4.3
A	93-97	4.0
A-	90-92	3.7
B+	88-89	3.3
B	83-87	3.0
B-	80-82	2.7
C+	78-79	2.3
C	73-77	2.0
C-	70-72	1.7
D+	68-69	1.3
D	63-67	1.0
D-	60-62	0.7
F	0-59	0.0

Honors Courses
English 9 Honors
English 10 Honors
Algebra 2 Honors
Geometry Honors
Precalculus Honors
Chemistry 1 Honors
Chemistry 2 Honors
Physics Honors
World History & Civilization Honors
United States History Honors

AP courses
AP English Language & Composition
AP English Literature & Composition
AP Calculus
AP Biology
AP Chemistry
AP Government
AP Microeconomics
AP Spanish

Honors Scale + .5	
Grade	Points
A+	4.8
A	4.5
A-	4.2
B+	3.8
B	3.5
B-	3.2
C+	2.8
C	2.5
C-	1.7
D+	1.3
D	1.0
D-	0.7
F	0.0

AP Scale + 1.0	
Grade	Points
A+	5.3
A	5.0
A-	4.7
B+	4.3
B	4.0
B-	3.7
C+	3.3
C	3.0
C-	1.7
D+	1.3
D	1.0
D-	0.7
F	0.0

The RCHS Weighted Grade System

1. Reward students for enrolling in more challenging classes.
2. Increase the student's preparation for colleges and universities.
3. Provide an incentive for students to improve their class rank.
4. Provide incentives for college scholarships based upon the most rigorous academic program.
5. Increase our student participation in Advanced Placement and Honors courses.

Guidelines

1. All courses taken for credit during the student's high school career will be included in the calculation of the student's overall GPA.
2. Students who take Advanced Placement or Honors courses are able to earn a weighted grade as long as the semester grade is a C or above.
3. Valedictorian and Salutatorian will be determined upon eight semesters based on cumulative grade point average of high school grades. Students must attend RCHS a minimum of four semesters to be in consideration for Valedictorian and/or Salutatorian.
4. If a student receives a grade and a credit for any course taken prior to high school, those grades are also averaged into the student's GPA for class ranking.
5. If a student retakes a course successfully, the first grade will be replaced with an "R" on the transcript. The new grade for the retaken course will appear on the transcript and will be used in the calculation of the student's GPA.