

Understanding Your Secondary Report Card

Report Cards are an important part of a student's academic record. A student's final course grades are documented on the report card and from the report card become part of a student's academic transcript.

Beginning with the far left column, the report card shows a course number and title representing each course the student is enrolled in followed by columns for each semester's grades, end of course exam scores, and the number of credits earned per course.

Information in the tables at the bottom of the report card include: grade mark legends, grade point average calculations, and attendance information specific to the students current record.

The information below is provided to help students and parents understand GPA and have the tools needed to calculate an unweighted semester GPA. When students and parents want to calculate GPA for purposes including, but not limited to, athletics, scholarships, and admission to post-secondary institutions, the specific calculation rules should be considered. Reach out to your counselor for specific information.

Student's grades are reported as letter grades (A, B, C, D, F) on their report card. These letter grades reflect student's mastery toward course standards.

A student's GPA (grade point average) is the total points earned based on all course grades throughout their high school career divided by the total number of credits earned.

A student's grades are the indicator upon which grade points are based. A GPA (grade point average) is calculated by using the assigned grade point(s) for each course grade along with the weight of the credit earned for each particular course and finding the average. It is important to note the amount of credit earned (listed in the far right column) when calculating the GPA for a particular course.

$$A = 4$$
, $B = 3$, $C=2$, $D = 1$, $F = 0$

See the report card sample below to view an example of GPA calculation.

REMEMBER!!!

Specific rules on which courses are counted and/or weighted in GPA calculations are established by individual institutions and entities. As an example, FHSAA, NCAA, Florida Bright Futures, and Universities and Colleges have their own decision rules for calculating GPA.



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