



Policy SY12-13.1: Grading Scale
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Beginning with the Class of 2016 (incoming 9th graders this fall), the following classes would be weighted +1 in a student's cumulative GPA:

Humane Letters: American Studies; Western Studies; Greek Studies; Modern Studies
Mathematics: Geometry; PreCalculus A, B, C; Calculus A, B, C; Advanced Topics
Science: Biology, Chemistry, Computer Science, Physics A, B, C
Language: Latin IV*
Fine Arts: Orchestra IV and above

*Greek I-II to be determined

Additionally, a traditional grading scale would be used prior to weighing the designated courses. This scale aligns with the grading scale currently used in the middle school:

A (4.0) = 100-94	B+ (3.33) = 89-87	C+ (2.33) = 79-77	D+ (1.33) = 69-67
A- (3.67) = 93-90	B (3.0) = 86-83	C (2.0) = 76-73	D (1.0) = 66-63
	B- (2.67) = 82-80	C- (1.67) = 72-70	D- (0.67) = 62-60
			F (0.0) = 59-0

The actual grade earned would appear on a student's transcript; the impact of the +1 weight would only be reflected in the student's cumulative GPA. The reasoning for this proposal is to recognize the level of rigor in the courses listed above and the degree to which a student has mastered material that is comparable to that of an AP or IB course in the same discipline. It will be emphasized in the school profile that all students are required to complete this curriculum, i.e. there are no alternative "easier" courses for students to opt in to.