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Grading/Assessment Systems

Weighted Grading System

A weighted grading system is utilized at Ansonia High School. Course levels are indicated as 0 (Advanced Placement), 1 (Honors) 2/3 (Academic), or 4 (General), according to difficulty. Courses and levels may be found in the Course Selection Booklet.

Level 0

A	B	C	D
100=10	89=8.9	79=7.9	69=6.9
99=9.9	88=8.8	78=7.8	68=6.8
98=9.8	87=8.7	77=7.7	67=6.7
97=9.7	86=8.6	76=7.6	66=6.6
96=9.6	85=8.5	75=7.5	65=6.5
95=9.5	84=8.4	74=7.4	64=6.4
94=9.4	83=8.3	73=7.3	63=6.3
93=9.3	82=8.2	72=7.2	62=6.2
92=9.2	81=8.1	71=7.1	61=6.1
91=9.1	80=8.0	70=7.0	60=6.0
90=9.0			59 and below = 0

Level 1

A	B	C	D
100=9.0	89=7.9	79=6.9	69=5.9
99=8.9	88=7.8	78=6.8	68=5.8
98=8.8	87=7.7	77=6.7	67=5.7
97=8.7	86=7.6	76=6.6	66=5.6
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92=8.2	81=7.1	71=6.1	61=5.1
91=8.1	80=7.0	70=6.0	60=5.0
90=8.0			59 and below = 0

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A	B	C	D
100=8.0	89=6.9	79=5.9	69=4.9
99=7.9	88=6.8	78=5.8	68=4.8
98=7.8	87=6.7	77=5.7	67=4.7
97=7.7	86=6.6	76=5.6	66=4.6
96=7.6	85=6.5	75=5.5	65=4.5
95=7.5	84=6.4	74=5.4	64=4.4
94=7.4	83=6.3	73=5.3	63=4.3
93=7.3	82=6.2	72=5.2	62=4.2
92=7.2	81=6.1	71=5.1	61=4.1
91=7.1	80=6.0	70=5.0	60=4.0
90=7.0			59 and below = 0

Level 3

A	B	C	D
100=7.0	89=5.9	79=4.9	69=3.9
99=6.9	88=5.8	78=4.8	68=3.8
98=6.8	87=5.7	77=4.7	67=3.7
97=6.7	86=5.6	76=4.6	66=3.6
96=6.6	85=5.5	75=4.5	65=3.5
95=6.5	84=5.4	74=4.4	64=3.4
94=6.4	83=5.3	73=4.3	63=3.3
93=6.3	82=5.2	72=4.2	62=3.2
92=6.2	81=5.1	71=4.1	61=3.1
91=6.1	80=5.0	70=4.0	60=3.0
90=6.0			59 and below = 0

Level 4

A	B	C	D
100=6.0	89=4.9	79=3.9	69=2.9
99=5.9	88=4.8	78=3.8	68=2.8
98=5.8	87=4.7	77=3.7	67=2.7
97=5.7	86=4.6	76=3.6	66=2.6
96=5.6	85=4.5	75=3.5	65=2.5
95=5.5	84=4.4	74=3.4	64=2.4
94=5.4	83=4.3	73=3.3	63=2.3
93=5.3	82=4.2	72=3.2	62=2.2
92=5.2	81=4.1	71=3.1	61=2.1
91=5.1	80=4.0	70=3.0	60=2.0
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Weighted Grade Waiver

Too often, however, students do not take advantage of the breadth of courses that we offer. Sometimes, they relish wasting their time in studies. In many other cases, choices are made upon the level of the course and its subsequent effect on their rank in class and not on taking courses that enable one to become a well-rounded individual or that foster life-long learning. Consequently, we have devised a means to remedy this to some degree. All core courses (math, English, social studies, science, World Languages, and other courses required for graduation) will be leveled. When deciding upon which elective to take, (not to exceed more than 1 credit per year), students and their parents will have the option of deciding if the elective to take, (not to exceed more than 1 credit per year), students and their parents will have the option of deciding if the elective will be weighted (calculated into grade averages) or not. Grades for courses that one opts out of will be recorded as a PASS/FAIL grade on the report card. Serious consideration must be given to this weighted grade level change option. Please note the report card and transcript will reflect the course change. The decision must be made by signing a waiver within the first two weeks of the class beginning. Once the decision is made, it cannot be revoked.

Legal References: Connecticut General Statutes

PA 99-81 An Act Concerning Weighted Grading for Honors Classes

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Class Rank

Total Quality Points Divided by Number of Ranked Classes Attempted = Quality Point Ratio; number of credits attempted will include any W/F received by a student. Class rank is based on a cumulative quality point average in all subjects (except pass/fail courses). Quality points are assigned to the final average in courses based upon levels of difficulty. The highest quality points possible for a level 0 course is 10; the highest quality points possible for a level 1 course is 9 points, and so on. However, not all courses are offered at all levels. Therefore, the highest possible quality point average attainable is 8.76. To determine class rank, the total quality points are divided by the number of ranked classes attempted, which results in a quality point ratio. The number of credits attempted will include any withdrawal/fail grade received by a student.

Ranking by percentile only will be issued at the end of the junior year. The official rank in class will be finalized and announced at the end of the third marking period of the senior year.

Legal Reference: Connecticut General Statutes

10-221 Boards of education to prescribe rules, policies and procedures

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Ansonia High School – Quality Point System

The rank-in-class is primarily important for college bound students. Such a system assigns quality points to subjects on the final average. Students who pursue a curriculum involving the higher levels and the more difficult courses will be rewarded by achieving a higher rank-in-class.

Most high schools utilize some type of quality point system for determining class rank. This gives colleges a better picture of how a student ranks among college bound students in his class. Such a system does not affect the grading system or determination of honor roll students.

Every high school course with the exception of special education courses will be considered as level one, two, or three according to level of difficulty. These determinations have been made by the various departments in the school in cooperation with the guidance department and school administrators.

The QPA (Quality Point Average) and class rank will be utilized in determining the following awards:

1. National Honor Society: QPA of 7.25
2. Gold Seal Diploma: Top 20% of the graduating class.
3. Diploma of Distinction: Top 20% of the graduating class plus certain required courses.

Grade – Level Scale

GRADE	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
A+ 97-99	9	8	7
A 93-96	8.5	7.5	6.5
A- 90-92	8.0	7.0	6.0
B+ 87-89	7.5	6.5	5.5
B 83-86	7.0	6.0	5.0
B- 80-82	6.5	5.5	4.5
C+ 77-79	6.0	5.0	4.0
C 73-76	5.5	4.5	3.5
C- 70-72	5.0	4.0	3.0
D+ 67-69	4.5	3.5	2.5
D- 60-62	3.5	2.5	1.5
F	0	0	0
W/F	0	0	0

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Ansonia High School Attendance – Fifth Year

Students enrolled in Ansonia High School, who complete their senior year without sufficient credits for graduation, will be allowed to return to school for a fifth year. Their student programs will reflect only those credits needed for graduation, will be allowed to return to school for a fifth year. Their student programs will reflect only those credits needed for graduation, unless more than three credits are needed. In that case a student will elect a regular schedule of at least 5 ½ credits. It is recommended that a student who needs one credit enroll in an approved summer school and, upon successful completion, receive a diploma in August of the graduation year.

Legal Reference: Connecticut General Statutes

10-14n Statewide mastery examination. Conditions for reexamination. Limitation on use of test results.

10-16(l) Graduation exercises. (As amended by PA 96-108, An Act Concerning Student Use of Telecommunication Devices and the Establishment of Graduation Dates)

10-221a High school graduation requirements.

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