

Grading Scale

Procedure for All Courses

Each final grade will be given the indicated value: A=4, A- = 3.7, B+ = 3.3, B=3, B- = 2.7, C+ = 2.3, C=2.0, C- = 1.7, D+ = 1.3, D=1.0, E=0. Each indicated value for a year course is to be recorded twice, and each indicated value for a semester course is to be recorded once. The values are to be totaled and divided by the number of values used to obtain the total. The division of the total is to be carried to four (4) decimal places in obtaining the grade point average of the student.

Weighted Credit for Advanced Placement and Approved Courses

After the grade point average of the student has been determined, bonus credit will be added for advanced placement courses and specifically approved courses such as international baccalaureate and select academy courses. The Department of Teaching and Learning will determine which courses are to receive bonus credit. Bonus credit will be awarded as follows for year courses: (A, A-) = .0488, (B+, B, B-) = .0366, (C+, C, C-) = .0244, (D+, D) = .0122, E=0. Bonus credit will be awarded as follows for semester courses: (A, A-) = .0244; (B+, B, B-) = .0183; (C+, C, C-) = .0122; (D+, D) = .0061; and E = 0.

Here is an example of how the Grade Point Average is calculated based on the information above:

Total Grade Point Average: **3.4167**

- One (1) Yearlong Advanced Placement Course is taken, and the student earns a grade of "A/93" and receives a **.0488 bonus**
One (1) Semester Magnet Course, is taken, and the student earns a grade of "B/86" and receives a **.0183 bonus**
Computation: $3.4167 + .0488 + .0183 = 3.4838$

Final Total Grade Point Average: **3.4838**

The chart below indicates the numerical scale approved by the School Board for use in the Virginia Beach City Public Schools.

Grade Numerical Scale

A	93-100
A-	90-92
B+	87-89
B	83-86
B-	80-82
C+	77-79
C	73-76
C-	70-72
D+	67-69
D	64-66
E	below 64

Weighted Credit

Students completing courses labeled “Advanced Placement” will receive weighted credit to be averaged for class rank. Certain courses in the International Baccalaureate program and some academy courses have also been approved for weighted credit. Independent Study courses cannot be weighted.

Grade	Semester	Course	Year	Course
A, A-	.0244			.0488
B+, B, B-	.0183			.0366
C+, C, C-	.0122			.0244
D+, D	.0061			.0122
E	0			0