

Grading Scale and Graduation Honors

USD 385 recognizes a weighted grading scale. On student transcripts, each student will receive one grade point average, which gives certain courses a 4.5 or 5 grading scale. All courses, not listed below, continue to receive points based on the four-point scale. Courses earning pass/fail are not counted in the GPA. For the Class of 2021 and beyond, there will no longer be a valedictorian, salutatorian, or class rank.

Letter Grade	Percentage	4.0 Grading Scale	4.5 Grading Scale	5.0 Grading Scale
A	90%-100%	4 points	4.5 points	5 points
B	80%-89%	3 points	3.5 points	4 points
C	70%-79%	2 points	2.5 points	3 points
D	60%-69%	1 point	1.5 points	2 points
F	Below 60%	0 points	0 points	0 points

The following courses will be graded on the 4.5 weighted grading scale:

Honors English 1	Honors Geometry
Honors English 2	Honors Algebra 2
Honors Biology	Pre-Calculus and Discrete Math
Honors Chemistry	Honors Modern World History
Spanish 5	

The following courses will be graded on the 5.0 weighted grading scale:

Accelerated United States History 10	AP Biology
AP United States History	AP Chemistry
AP U.S. Government	AP Environmental Science
AP Language and Composition	AP Physics 1
AP Literature and Composition	AP Physics 2
AP Computer Science A	AP Physics C Mechanics
AP Calculus	AP Physics C Electricity and Magnetism

Graduation Honors

All GPA's used will be on the weighted scale.

Summa Cum Laude 4.0+ GPA

Magna Cum Laude 3.80-3.99 GPA

Cum Laude 3.60-3.79 GPA