



2025-2026 ACCEPTED/UNACCEPTED COURSES for GPA CALCULATION

Grade Conversions

Honor	3.80-4.00	A =	4	90-100 =	4
Scholastic	3.20-3.799	B =	3	80-89 =	3
Varsity	0.000-3.199	C =	2	70-79 =	2
		D =	1	60-69 =	1
		F =	0	≤ 59 =	0

Acceptable Courses	Unacceptable Courses
<i>Courses are considered acceptable if they focus more than 50% of the time on understanding ideas, concepts, and theories of a specific discipline.</i>	<i>Courses are considered unacceptable if they are hands-on, performance-based, skills-type, non-book, lab-based, or more than 50% of course time is spent in service learning or internship.</i>
Academic Business Courses	Academic Decathlon Classes
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Personal Finance 	Agriculture (applied courses)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Agri-Business 	Architectural Drawing
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Micro/Macro Economics and Accounting 	Art
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Business/Organizational Management 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Graphic Design, Ceramics, Drawing, Multi-Cultural, Painting, Jewelry, Printmaking, Sculpture, etc.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Consumer Economics/Marketing Theory 	Astronomy (unless a Science credit is given)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Introduction to Business/Principles of Business 	Automotive Technology
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Business Law 	Bookkeeping
Art	Child Development
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Art History 	Computer Courses
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Art Appreciation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Data/Information Processing
Bio-ethics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Keyboarding/Word Processing
Communications	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Computer Lab
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Speech 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Applications/Software Programs
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Debate 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Software Courses
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Public Speaking 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Web Design Programs
Computer Courses	Consumer & Family Science
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Programming Languages (HTML, ASP, JAVA, Visual Basic, C++, etc...) 	Current Events (unless Social Studies credit given)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Computer Literacy 	Drafting

Acceptable Courses	Unacceptable Courses
Creative Writing	Drama/Theater/Stagecraft
Criminal Law/Justice	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Acting/Performance
Engineering	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stagecraft/Technical Theater
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Engineering Design/Problem Solving 	Electronics
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Engineering Theory 	Engineering Graphics
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Robotics 	English/Language Arts
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Composition/Writing 	Ethics Law (Theology)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Creative Writing 	Health Education
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Journalism (NOT yearbook, school newspaper) 	Horticulture
Foreign Language	Independent Study
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Foreign Language Arts 	Mechanical Drawing
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • French, Spanish, German, Russian, Chinese, Sign Language, Navajo, etc... 	Media Studies
Humanities	Morality & Issues
Mathematics	Multi-Media Communications
Music	Music Performance
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Music Appreciation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Band
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Music Theory 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chorus
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Music History 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Orchestra
Psychology/Sociology	Photography
Science	Physical Education
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ALL basic sciences 	Religion
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Forensic Sciences 	Service Learning/Internships
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Agri-Science (theory) 	Student Government/Leadership
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Science, Technology, & Society 	Study Skills/Prep Classes
Social Studies/Social Science/History	Technical/Vocational Courses

Please check your course catalog/descriptions to determine applicability of specific classes. If you are still unclear, please contact your AD State Director for clarification.