

## Grading Helps

Traditional scales:	A 90-100	OR	A 93-100	C+ 77-79	D- 60-62
	B 80-89		A- 90-92	C 73-76	F 0-59
	C 70-79		B+ 87-89	C- 70-72	
	D 60-69		B 83-86	D+ 67-69	
	F 0-59		B- 80-82	D 63-66	

## GPA Calculation

### Unweighted

- To calculate GPA, each grade is given a point value on a 4 point scale: A = 4, B = 3, C = 2, D = 1
- If pluses and minuses are used, add or subtract 0.333 from the whole number point value
  - (Ex: A - = 3.667 and B+ = 3.333)
- Multiply the point value by the amount of credit for course = quality points. Total the quality points, then divide by the total credits. (See chart below)

### Weighted:

- Some schools give an extra point for honors, AP or dual enrolled grades of A, B or C: A = 5, B = 4 and C = 3
- Some schools give only an extra ½ point for honors and a full point extra for AP and dual enrolled, so for honors classes A = 4.5, B = 3.5 and C = 2.5

Course	Grade	Credit	Unweighted Pt x Credit	Quality Pts	Weighted Pt x Credit	Quality Pts
Alg 1 Honors	B	0.5	3 x 1 =	3	3.5 x 1 =	3.5
Bible	A	1	4 x 0.5 =	2	4 x 0.5 =	2
Chem (BCC)	C		2 x 1 =	2	3 x 1 =	3
Totals		2.5		7		8.5

Unweighted GPA:  $7 \div 2.5 = 2.8$  or 2.80

Weighted GPA:  $8.5 \div 2.5 = 3.4$  or 3.40

## Self- designed courses: (PE, Fine Arts, Bible,...)

- Be sure to use high school level material - young adult +, at least grade 9, grade 7-9 ok
- Compose a course description - List objectives for the course/all materials used
- Accumulate evidence - photos, written work/journal, receipts, letter/eval from coach, news clips, practice assignment log (piano), recital program listing student, videos
- Issue a grade with evidence for how it was determined, may create an evaluation list
- Log hours to determine credit: HSLDA suggests 120-180 hrs per credit; Some private umbrella schools require 135 hrs = 1 cr, 70 hrs = ½ cr.; standard 50 min class = 150 hrs; suggest 120 hr minimum per 1 credit

## Transcripts

- Official transcripts are sealed and mailed from one school institution to another
- Possible Titles: High School Transcript/Official High School Record/Brevard County Home Education
- Include: Student's name, address, phone, birth date, parents' names, school years and grade level, course titles, grade earned, credit earned, GPA - yearly and cumulative, grade scale
- Optional to include: social security number, source of credits(where course was taken), volunteer hours, activities, awards, Fla Dept of Ed course numbers, subject codes, former schools attended
- Course numbers - if college wants these - found on Bright Futures website Comprehensive Course Table

- Recommend to include an official declaration of accuracy and get it notarized
  - Makes it look official to lend credibility
  - “This signature verifies that the information on this transcript is complete and accurate.”
- Parent can sign as “School Administrator”, “School Principal”, “School Official”...
- Consider your child’s field of interest or future study when determining courses to include
- Samples and templates are available online