

How are semester grades calculated?

1st nine week – 40.000
2nd nine week – 40.000
Semester Exam - 20.000

3rd nine week – 40.000
4th nine week – 40.000
Semester Exam - 20.000

What courses are weighted (extra points)?

AP classes are weighted ten points. The **grade earned** will appear on the report card and transcript. However, the ten weighted points will be reflected in the numeric GPA.

Honors classes are weighted five points. The **grade earned** will appear on the report card and transcript. However, the five weighted points will be reflected in the numeric GPA.

The following courses are weighted ten points:

- AP Chemistry
- AP History
- AP English Language and Composition
- AP English Literature and Composition
- AP Calculus

The following courses are weighted five points:

- Honors English 9-11
- Dual Enrollment English
- Honors Geometry
- Honors Algebra II with Trig
- Honors Precalculus
- Honors Biology
- Honors Chemistry

Example of weighted and non-weighted courses:

Numeric GPA Example (No Weight Added)

The example below may be used to illustrate this process.

- A student has four grades: 98, 95, 89 and 74. The following conditions apply:
 - All courses receive 0.5 credits earned and attempted.
- The GPA calculation will work as follows:

Grade	Quality Pts.	Weight Added	Weight Multiplier	Credit Attempt	Quality Pts.
98	98	+ 0 = 98	x 1.0 = 98	x 0.5 =	49
95	95	+ 0 = 95	x 1.0 = 95	x 0.5 =	47.5
89	89	+ 0 = 89	x 1.0 = 89	x 0.5 =	44.5
74	74	+ 0 = 74	x 1.0 = 74	x 0.5 =	<u>37</u>

Total Quality Points: 178.0

Total Quality Points:

178.0 (Quality Points)

2.0 (Credits Attempted) = **89 GPA**

Numeric GPA Example (Weight Added)

The example below may be used to illustrate this process.

- A student has four grades: 98, 95, 89 and 74. The following conditions apply:

The 89 is in a weighted AP course. (AP is weighted 10 points)

The 74 is in a weighted Honors course. (Honors is weighted 5 points)

All courses receive 0.5 credits earned and attempted.

- The GPA calculation will work as follows:

Grade	Quality Pts.	Weight Added	Weight Multiplier	Credit Attempt	Quality Pts.
98	98	+ 0	= 98 x 1.0	= 98 x 0.5	= 49
95	95	+ 0	= 95 x 1.0	= 95 x 0.5	= 47.5
89	89	+ 10.000	= 99 x 1.0	= 99 x 0.5	= 49.5
74	74	+ 5.000	= 79 x 1.0	= 79 x 0.5	= <u>39.5</u>

Total Quality Points: 185.5

Total Quality Points :

185.5 (Quality Points)

2.0 (Credits Attempted) = **92.75 GPA**

The total Quality Points are divided by the total Credits Attempted to calculate the Grade Point Average

Who is exempt from semester exams?

Semester Examination Exemption Policy -_Grade 12

Seniors only may be exempt from semester exams. The exception is on a class-by-class basis. The option of exemption will be given as follows:

Exemption requirements per class

Average of 75 or better and 1 or fewer absences

Average of 80 or better and 2 or fewer absences

Average of 90 or better and 3 or fewer absences

All obligations must be taken care of before student is considered exempt (i.e. textbooks, fees, etc).

This is the only term or semester examination exemption policy approved by the Board for use in any school in the School System.

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What is the GPA requirement for National Honor Society?

National Honor Society is a student organization that serves the school and community through various projects. To be a member of NHS, a student must be a Junior or Senior, have completed one (1) year at Cullman High School, be on the advanced diploma curriculum with a cumulative numeric GPA of ninety (90) or higher, and exhibit characteristics of service, knowledge, scholarship, and character.