

GPA

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All you need to know

GPA is Important

- Colleges and scholarships will use your GPA as a criteria for acceptance and to determine eligibility.
- GPA requirements for colleges and universities vary. To find the specific GPA requirements, view the Admissions pages located on the college websites.
- GPA requirements for scholarships do vary. To maintain scholarships throughout college career, a certain GPA is often required. You can learn more about scholarship GPA requirements from the specific company the scholarship is given.

Calculating GPA

GPA is an average of the letter grades you earned in high school. It is not an overall average of your final numerical grades in classes. Each letter grade is assigned a numerical value. Those values are as follows:

A = 4

B = 3

C = 2

D = 1

F = 0

Calculating GPA

How to Compute a GPA

of As (93-100) _____ x 4 = _____

of Bs (85-92) _____ x 3 = _____

of Cs (75-84) _____ x 2 = _____

of Ds (70-74) _____ x 1 = _____

of Fs (0-69) _____ x 0 = _____

Total of Quality Points = (Add results together)

Divided by number of Grades =

GPA = _____

Practicing Calculating a GPA

*These are a sample of grades.

English I - 97 = A = 4, 1 credit earned

Algebra I - 89 = B = 3, 1 credit earned

Wellness - 95 = A = 4, 1 credit earned

Computer - 68 = F = 0, 0 credit earned

World Geography - 91 = B = 3, 1 credit earned

Personal Finance - 83 = C = 2, 1 credit earned

Art I - 95 = A = 3, 1 credit earned

Physical Science - 90 = B = 3, 1 credit earned

Calculate:

of As (93-100) 3 x 4 = 12

of Bs (85-92) 3 x 3 = 9

of Cs (75-84) 1 x 2 = 2

of Ds (70-74) 0 x 1 = 0

of Fs (0-69) 1 x 0 = 0

Total of Quality Points = 23

(12+9+2+0+0=23)

Divided by number of grades= 23/8

GPA = 2.875

Practicing Calculating a GPA

Let's take the same sample grades, but this time change the F to an A.

English I - 97 = A = 4, 1 credit earned

Algebra I - 89 = B = 3, 1 credit earned

Wellness - 95 = A = 4, 1 credit earned

Computer - 98 = A = 4, 1 credit earned

World Geography - 91 = B = 3, 1 credit earned

Personal Finance - 83 = C = 2, 1 credit earned

Art I - 95 = A = 3, 1 credit earned

Physical Science - 90 = B = 3, 1 credit earned

Calculate

of As (93-100) $4 \times 4 = 16$

of Bs (85-92) $3 \times 3 = 9$

of Cs (75-84) $1 \times 2 = 2$

of Ds (70-74) $0 \times 1 = 0$

of Fs (0-69) $0 \times 0 = 0$

Total of Quality Points = 27

$(16+9+2+0+0=27)$

Divided by number of grades = $27/8$

GPA = 3.375

FOCUS, FOCUS, FOCUS...on that GPA!

Comparing the previous two slides and GPAs: 2.875 to the 3.375, notice how one grade can affect the entire GPA. The point here is that we may think one grade might or a “C” here or there is not a big deal, it may make a difference in the long run.

Focusing on your GPA begins the first day of your Freshman year throughout your entire high school career. It is difficult to correct GPA mistakes during the Senior year. Start looking at your GPA today!

If you have any questions about GPAs, contact the school counselor.