

2020-2021 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	
Courses are considered acceptable if they focus more than 50% of the time on understanding ideas, concepts, and theories of a specific discipline.	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.	
Academic Business Courses	Academic Decathlon Classes	
Accounting	Agriculture (applied courses)	
• Agri-Business	Architectural Drawing	
Micro/Macro Economics	Art	
Business/Organizational Management	 Graphic Design, Ceramics, Drawing, Multi-Cultural, Painting, Jewelry, Printmaking, Sculpture, etc. 	
Consumer Economics/Marketing Theory	Astronomy (unless a Science credit is given)	
 Introduction to Business/Principles of Business 	Automotive Technology	
Business Law	Bookkeeping	
Art	Child Development	
Art History	Computer Courses	
Art Appreciation	Data/Information Processing	
Bio-ethics	Keyboarding/Word Processing	
Communications	Computer Lab	
• Speech	Applications/Software Programs	
• Debate	Software Courses	
Public Speaking	Web Design Programs	
Computer Courses	Consumer & Family Science	
Programming Languages (HTML, ASP, JAVA, Visual Basic, C++, etc)	Current Events (unless Social Studies credit given)	
Computer Literacy	Drafting	

Acceptable Courses	Unacceptable Courses	
Creative Writing	Drama/Theater/Stagecraft	
Criminal Law/Justice	Acting/Performance	
Engineering	Stagecraft/Technical Theater	
Engineering Design/Problem Solving	Electronics	
Engineering Theory	Engineering Graphics	
• Robotics	English/Language Arts	
English/Language Arts	Applied Journalism (yearbook, school newspaper)	
Composition/Writing	Ethics Law (Theology)	
Creative Writing	Health Education	
Journalism (NOT yearbook, school newspaper)	Horticulture	
Foreign Language	Independent Study	
Foreign Language Arts	Mechanical Drawing	
 French, Spanish, German, Russian, Chinese, Sign Language, Navajo, etc 	Media Studies	
Humanities	Morality & Issues	
Mathematics	Multi-Media Communications	
Music	Music Performance	
Music Appreciation	• Band	
Music Theory	• Chorus	
Music History	• Orchestra	
Psychology/Sociology	Photography	
Science	Physical Education	
ALL basic sciences	Religion	
Forensic Sciences	Service Learning/Internships	
Agri-Science (theory)	Student Government/Leadership	
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.