

Book District Policy  
 Section I - INSTRUCTIONAL PROGRAM  
 Title Academic Achievement: Class Rankings  
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Beginning with the graduating class of 2015, high schools shall compute class ranking and grade point average using the following guidelines:

1. Class ranking shall be determined by cumulative grade point average of all classes that are applicable toward graduation requirements in Elko County. The following weights for one-half credit per semester courses will be utilized:

Regular Program	Weighted Classes
A = 4.0	A = 5.0
B = 3.0	B = 4.0
C = 2.0	C = 2.0
D = 1.0	D = 1.0
F = 0.0	F = 0.0

Weighted classes include Honors classes, Advanced Placement classes and college classes which a student has received permission from the principal to take as dual credit. All such classes shall be noted on the student's permanent record card.

2. All courses receiving credit shall be counted in computing class rank.
3. In determining class rank, all students at a given grade level shall be included.
4. If a student's record includes courses that are marked in nontraditional fashion - for instance, on a pass/fail or credit/no credit basis - the computation or rank-in-class shall be based on those courses with traditional grades only.
5. Students must designate which required or elective high school course will be replaced by a dual credit course and receive approval from the principal prior to receiving dual credit.
6. Dual credit courses taken in excess of high school graduation requirements will not be accepted by the Elko County School District, placed on a student's high school transcript, or used in class ranking calculations.
7. The methods used to compute rank-in-class shall be reported to students, parents, and any authorized transcript recipient.
8. Rank-in-class information shall be released:
  - (1) to appropriate school personnel;
  - (2) at the written request or consent of the student and/or parents;
  - (3) in response to formal legal processes.
9. Rank-in-class shall be reported on a numerical basis.
10. Designations for valedictorian and salutatorian shall not be made.
11. Beginning with the class of 2005, the following designation will be used to honor those graduates of each graduating class:

Special Recognition Honors - 4.0 and above  
 Gold Honors - Below 4.0 to 3.7  
 Silver Honors - Below 3.7 to 3.4  
 Bronze Honors - Below 3.4 to 3.0

Honor graduates will receive appropriate recognition at commencement exercises.