

SUBJECT: GRADE POINT AVERAGE, LATIN HONORS SYSTEM, AND ACADEMIC RECOGNITION

The Churchville-Chili District utilizes a consistently applied proficiency-based learning system in which meeting or exceeding standards define success, and every student is given the same opportunity to achieve proficiency and excel academically.

Grade Point Average (GPA)

All courses except Driver Education, Applied Music courses (i.e., music courses taken off-campus), and pass/fail courses will be included when determining a student's grade point average (GPA). The following factors will be used in determining GPA:

- a) Grades in Regents courses will be multiplied by 1.0;
- b) Grades in Local courses will be multiplied by 1.0;
- c) Grades in Honors courses including dual enrollment courses will be multiplied by 1.03;
- d) Grades in Advanced Placement courses will be multiplied by 1.05;
- e) Grades in International Baccalaureate courses will be multiplied by 1.05; and
- f) All grades for one-semester courses and all January grades for senior year courses will be multiplied by 0.5.

Weighted grades will be added and divided by the number of credits taken. All computations will be carried to three decimal places. The weighted grade point average will be used for scholarship reports. Actual grades will be recorded on report cards.

Latin Honors System

Latin honors is an award of distinction given to students upon graduation that meet or exceed specific grade point average thresholds as defined below:

- a) Summa cum laude (with highest distinction) - 97.000 and above cumulative weighted GPA
- b) Magna cum laude (with distinction) - 95.000 to 96.999 cumulative weighted GPA
- c) Cum laude (with honor) - 90.000 to 94.999 cumulative weighted GPA

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- d) “Scholastic Distinction” - Regardless of reaching honors level, completion of five AP/IB courses and corresponding AP/IB assessments

Graduation Diploma Distinction

In order to earn a diploma, students are required to earn credits in specific courses and pass specific Regents exams. The course selections a student makes determines his or her diploma distinction.

Regents Diploma		Regents Diploma with Advanced Designation	
English	4 credits	English	4 credits
Social Studies	4 credits	Social Studies	4 credits
Math	3 credits	Math	3 credits
Science	3 credits	Science	3 credits
L.O.T.E.	1 credit	L.O.T.E.	3 credits
Art/Music	1 credit	Art/Music	1 credit
Health	0.5 credit	Health	0.5 credit
Physical Education	2 credits	Physical Education	2 credits
Electives	3.5 credits	Electives	1.5 credits
Total Credits	22	Total Credits	22

Honors Diploma

In addition, “With Honors” may be added to the Regents diploma or Advanced Designation diploma for students who have maintained at least a 90 average on Regents examinations required to earn that diploma.

Mastery

Students who meet all assessment requirements for the Regents diploma or Advanced Designation diploma and in addition score 85 or better on each of the three Regents examinations in Math will earn mastery in Math. Students who meet all assessment requirements for the Regents diploma or Advanced Designation diploma and in addition score 85 or better on each of the three Regents examinations in Science will earn mastery in Science.

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