

TOP SCHOLAR CLASSIFICATION*Adoption
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Top Scholars will be identified as graduating seniors who have a cumulative high school Grade Point Average of 3.9 or above on a 4.0 grading scale. If at least two students do not make 3.9 or above, students with the highest cumulative GPA in the graduating class will be designated as Top Scholars. Class ranking and identification of Top Scholars will be based upon cumulative GPA for all courses taken during the freshman, sophomore, junior, and senior years. To be considered for Top Scholar status, a student must have attended Welch High School for at least three full semesters and have taken at least four Honors Courses.

Honors Courses include Algebra III, Trigonometry, Calculus, Physics, Chemistry, Anatomy/Physiology, Advanced Placement courses and Pre-Advanced Placement courses. ~~Courses taken under concurrent enrollment will not be considered as Honors Courses, but will be counted as an elective grade/credit on the high school transcript.~~ All dual enrollment courses taken at a 2-year or 4-year college/university institution will be counted as an Honor course. Honors Courses will be graded on a 5 point weighted scale. Some Honors Courses may not be offered each year.

Identifying and weighting Honors Courses, as mentioned above, ~~will be effective for the 2008-2009 school year or the Class of 2010.~~ commence with the Class of 2022.