

August 25, 2016

9th Grade Orientation

How is 9th Grade Different Than 8th Grade?

9 th Grade	8 th Grade
Semesters- 2 (December, June)	Terms- 4
Each grade stands alone	The 4 terms average into one overall grade
All grades count in GPA	Only 3 grades counted in GPA
1 AP class (freshman to sophomore college level)	No AP courses
GPA has potential to be above a 4.0	Highest GPA is a 4.0
If you fail a class, you must make it up to be eligible to graduate	As long as you pass 5/6 classes, you are eligible for promotion
You must maintain a 2.8 GPA to remain at Elite Scholars High	There is no GPA requirement in middle school

What's New at Elite?

- There is a GPA requirement now—2.8 GPA (What does that look like?)
- There is a disciplinary requirement now- 3 referrals= release from Elite or if the offense is deemed serious enough

How Do I Calculate My GPA?

Honors Courses: A= 4pts B= 3pts C=2 pts D=1pt F=NOTHING!!!

AP Courses: A= 5 pts B= 4pts C=3pts D=2pts F=NOTHING!!!

Let's Practice:

9th Grade Lit (Honors): 85- ____ pts

Biology (Honors): 81- ____ pts

Health: 77- ____ pts

Geometry: 78- ____ pts

AP World History: 75+ 5= 80 ____ pts

Total Points: ____ /the number of classes (6)= _____ GPA (Weighted or Overall)

Unweighted: Removes the weight of the AP class and puts the scale back on 4 instead of 5

***99.9% of the time, the unweighted GPA is lower than the overall GPA**

***GPAs do not round up; a 2.999 is not a 3.0, it is a 2.999**

9th Grade Calendar

August:

- 9th Grade Orientation- Advisement

September:

- ACT/SAT/HOPE/MOWR (dual enrollment)- What's in it for Me?- Parent University (TBD)

October

- October 15- MOWR Application Due for Spring (January)

December

- End of Semester- 1st Semester Grades Due!!!

February

- 9th Grade Individual Advisements Begin (10 minutes)