

# Marion County Board of Education

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## **Class Ranking**

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Students must be enrolled full time at the home base school to be eligible for ranking among the top high school seniors.

All grades earned in grades 9, 10, 11 and the first five (6) six-week grading periods of grade 12 will be counted toward the grade point average and the rank in class.

Three points will be added to the final average of each accelerated course grade. Four points will be added to the final average of each Dual Enrollment, Local Dual Credit, State Dual Credit, and Capstone Industry Certification-Aligned Course. Five points will be added to the following courses AP/CI/CLEP/IBC.

1. Ranking of students will be based on an average of numerical grades.
2. Official averaging and ranking will be computed at the end of the fifth (5th) six-week grading period of the 12<sup>th</sup> grade.
3. For those seniors enrolled in accelerated courses to be completed the last six weeks of the year, the 3, or 4, or 5 points will be temporarily awarded by the counselor *for ranking purposes only* for the last six week grading period.
4. These courses will count toward meeting the requirement for the Marion County Seal of Excellence if the grade is an A or B.
5. The grade average, the GPA based on a 4.0 scale, and the rank will be posted on the final transcript. Honor roll students will be determined by standards approved by the Board. Students who meet these standards, and who do not request otherwise, will have their names submitted to the principal for release to the news media.

Each school department or club, who presents honors or awards or conducts contests will file with the principal the name of the honor, award or contest; the basis for selection of the award and honor; the method of participation; and the reason for the contest.

### **VALEDICTORIAN AND SALUTATORIAN**

Effective with the graduating class of 2007, to become valedictorian or salutatorian, a student must be enrolled in the high school at the beginning of the class' junior year. The final six-week grading period will not be used in determining class ranking.

Beginning with the ninth-grade class of 2005-2006, the top ten students, including the valedictorian and salutatorian, will be designated from those students with the highest rankings who have qualified for Marion County Seal of Excellence. Should there not be as many as ten students who meet the requirements for the Seal of Excellence, the remaining "Top 10" will be determined by students' long average.