Instruction 6146.11

## **Grade Weighting/Class Ranking**

EASTCONN is in favor of weighted grading.

Parents/guardians shall be advised as to whether a grade in an honors class, advanced placement class, International Baccalaureate program, Cambridge International program, dual enrollment, dual credit or early college is or is not given added weight for purposes of calculating grade point average and determining class rank. The grading system developed by the administration, subject to EASTCONN Board of Directors approval, shall reflect this.

Parents/Guardians and students shall be notified annually of the EASTCONN Board of Directors' position via the parent/student handbook and/or the high school's website.

The EASTCONN Board of Directors, beginning with the 2022-2023 school year, and for each school year thereafter, for the purpose of qualifying a student for the Connecticut Automatic Admissions Program, will:

- 1. calculate a grade point average using the standardized method established by the Board of Regents for Higher Education for each student who completes eleventh grade, and
- 2. determine whether such student's class rank percentile is above or below the minimum established by the Board of Regents for Higher Education.

The EASTCONN Board of Directors will share a student's grade point average and whether such student is above or below the minimum class rank percentile with the student, the student's parent or guardian, the Department of Education, in the form and manner prescribed by the Department, and upon the student's request, a participating institution for the purposes of applying to such participating institution under the Connecticut Automatic Admissions Program.

The EASTCONN Board of Directors recognizes that it is not required to publish or provide a class ranking for any student or to publish on a student's transcript the grade point average calculated pursuant to the Connecticut Automatic Admissions Program, or whether such student is above or below the minimum class rank percentile established by the Board of Regents for Higher Education pursuant to the Connecticut Automatic Admissions Program.

The EASTCONN Board of Directors, beginning with the 2022-2023 school year and each school year thereafter, will notify each student enrolled in his/her final year of high school, and the parent or guardian of such student, whether such student may be admitted to at least one participating institution under the Connecticut Automatic Admissions Program based on the academic threshold established by such institution.

Legal Reference: Connecticut General Statutes

10-220g Policy on weighted grades for honors and advanced placement classes (as amended by PA 21-199)P.A. 21-2, June Special Session, sections 257-258

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