

## LIBERTY LIBERAL ARTS ACADEMY

### Grading Scale & Policies, Honor Roll & Awards, Class Rank & Exam Requirements

#### MID-TERM AND FINAL EXAM POLICIES

High School Seniors are not exempt from taking mid-term or final exams.

Requests to take mid-term or final exams before the scheduled date will not be granted. Allowing Students to take exams prior to the scheduled date will compromise the integrity of the exam. Students who are absent from school and miss a mid-term must make arrangements with the teacher to make up the test.

Make-up mid-term & final exams will be proctored by Head of School for a fee of \$50.00 per exam, payable to the Academy; the cost of these services must be assumed by the Students' parents/guardians.

Students who are absent during mid-term exams must make up those exams prior to returning to the Academy in January. Students who are absent during final exams must make up those exams prior to May 31 on specified dates announced by the Academy.

#### HONOR ROLL CALCULATION

Honor Roll will be calculated using the chart of weighted averages and credit value of the course, as indicated below.

**WITH HIGH DISTINCTION HONOR ROLL:** In order for a Student to achieve "With High Distinction" Honor Roll status, he/she must attain a grade average of at least 93% with no individual grade being lower than 85% in all subjects.

**WITH DISTINCTION HONOR ROLL:** In order for a Student to achieve "With Distinction" Honor Roll status, he/she must attain a grade average of at least 90% with no individual grade being lower than 80% in all subjects.

#### ADVANCED PLACEMENT PROGRAM

The College Board's Advanced Placement Program (AP) is an opportunity for Students to pursue college-level studies while still in high school. Through this program, they may earn credit, advanced placement, or both for college. By challenging and stimulating Students, the AP Program provides access to high quality education, accelerates learning, rewards achievement, and enhances both high school and college programs. Liberty is committed to the Advanced Placement Program and we are well prepared to teach Advanced Placement courses.

AP exams are an integral part of an AP course. The exam grade provides an important payoff to Students in terms of college credit and advanced placement. Exam results from all AP Students also give AP Teachers and Administrators important feedback on the strengths and weaknesses of their courses.

Liberty Students who enroll in AP courses will have two options with regard to the end-of-the-year national AP exam. All Students enrolled in an AP course must register, pay for, and take the end-of-the-year national AP exam in order to receive the AP designation on the Student's transcript and weighting for the course in calculating GPA. If, however, the Student chooses not to take the exam, the Student will receive the honors designation on the Student's transcript and weighting for the course in calculating GPA. Weighting is configured into the Student's GPA at the end of every semester, but the Student's GPA only appears on the report card at the end of the year.

## CLASS RANK

For the purposes of class ranking, which begins in the Student's 9th grade year, each Student receives an overall numeric average which includes all courses attempted. A new Liberty Student becomes eligible for class ranking only after he or she has been a Liberty Student for 91 days, or more than one semester. Class rank is only recalculated after a final grade has been submitted at the end of the school year. GPA and class rank is calculated from only the courses taken at Liberty Academy.

The numeric average for class rank is adjusted for weighted courses (Honors and AP) as follows:

Raw Score	Honors 1.1	AP 1.17	Raw Score	Honors 1.1	AP 1.17
100	110.00	117.00	78	85.80	91.26
99	108.90	115.83	77	84.70	90.09
98	107.80	114.66	76	83.60	88.92
97	106.70	113.49	75	82.50	87.75
96	105.60	112.32	74	81.40	86.58
95	104.50	111.15	73	80.30	85.41
94	103.40	109.98	72	79.20	84.24
93	102.30	108.81	71	78.10	83.07
92	101.20	107.64	70	77.00	81.90
91	100.10	106.47	69	75.90	80.73
90	99.00	105.30	68	74.80	79.56
89	97.90	104.13	67	73.70	78.39
88	96.80	102.96	66	72.60	77.22
87	95.70	101.79	65	71.50	76.05
86	94.60	100.62	64	70.40	74.88
85	93.50	99.45	63	69.30	73.71
84	92.40	98.28	62	68.20	72.54
83	91.30	97.11	61	67.10	71.37
82	90.20	95.94	60	66.00	70.20
81	89.10	94.77	Weighting continues for grades below 60%.		
80	88.00	93.60			
79	86.90	92.43			

## VALEDICTORIAN/SALUTATORIAN SELECTION

The Valedictorian/Salutatorian Students will be recognized based upon their cumulative GPA as follows:

4.00	Summa Cum Laude
3.75-3.999	Magna Cum Laude
3.50-3.749	Cum Laude

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Percentage	4.0 Scale	Percentage	4.0 Scale
117	5.0000	78	2.6000
116	4.9204	77	2.5250
115	4.8570	76	2.4500
114	4.7856	75	2.3750
113	4.7142	74	2.3000
112	4.6428	73	2.2250
111	4.5714	72	2.1500
110	4.5000	71	2.0750
109	4.4500	70	2.0000
108	4.4000	69	1.9000
107	4.3500	68	1.8000
106	4.3000	67	1.7000
105	4.2500	66	1.6000
104	4.2000	65	1.5000
103	4.1500	64	1.4000
102	4.1000	63	1.3000
101	4.0500	62	1.2000
100	4.0000	61	1.1000
99	3.9500	60	1.0000
98	3.9000	59	0.9500
97	3.8500	58	0.9000
96	3.8000	57	0.8500
95	3.7500	56	0.8000
94	3.7000	55	0.7500
93	3.6500	54	0.7000
92	3.6000	53	0.6500
91	3.5500	52	0.6000
90	3.5000	51	0.5500
89	3.4250	50	0.5000
88	3.3500	49	0.4500
87	3.2750	48	0.4000
86	3.2000	47	0.3500
85	3.1250	46	0.3000
84	3.0500	45	0.2500
83	2.9750	44	0.2000
82	2.9000	43	0.1500
81	2.8250	42	0.1000
80	2.7500	41	0.0500
79	2.6850	40	0.0000

The 4.0 grading scale above is for weighted courses only. To calculate weighted GPA, you must divide GPA credits by GPA points. Thus, the scale above may not be an equivalent for overall GPA due to the various weighting assigned to Honors & AP courses.