



Lake Country Classical Academy GPA, AP, and Dual Credit Statement

Lake Country Classical Academy does not inflate grades. To do so would be to do a disservice to our students. Nevertheless, not everyone in education approaches grading in the same way. To maintain the integrity of our students' education while recognizing the realities of the educational landscape, Lake Country Classical Academy has adopted the following grading policy: Student transcripts will reflect unweighted and weighted GPAs. For purposes of official high school transcripts only, certain courses in the subjects of Literature, History, Latin, Moral and Political Philosophy, Government, Economics, and Mathematics will be weighted by one point. For report cards, retention and promotion decisions, club and athletic eligibility, eligibility for in-school honors, and for all other purposes, the standard 4-point scale applies. While no classes are labeled Honors, certain classes in the aforementioned subjects are provided weight of one additional point due to the rigorous expectations.

We do not offer AP classes or dual credit classes in order to focus on our intentional classical curriculum which follows the courses recommended by Hillsdale College. This curriculum is used by over 50 affiliated classical schools across the country. Hillsdale College Member Schools are a select group of schools that serve as examples in providing an education that is both classical and American in its orientation; one that is rooted in the liberal arts and sciences, offers a firm grounding in civic virtue, and cultivates moral character.

Classical education is a growing movement, and the return to the study of primary texts and the use of Socratic discussion prepares our students well for college level courses. A strong emphasis on writing and the use of rhetoric also prepares our students to articulate and communicate their thoughts effectively. Indeed, many of our courses are taught similarly to those in private, liberal arts colleges across the nation. Upon graduation, LCCA students are prepared to succeed in demanding postsecondary courses of study.

While AP classes are not offered at LCCA, our students may elect to take AP exams. These exams will not be offered on the LCCA campus; however, LCCA has developed partnerships with local private schools that will accommodate our students. LCCA will provide guidance and support through the registration process. Students who choose to take an AP exam prepare for the test on their own, outside of class. We believe that many courses offered at LCCA will beneficially support students for the AP exam, but we also acknowledge that certain AP exams, such as history and literature, may not align with our curriculum. LCCA does not guarantee any specific score on AP exams or receipt of college credit for AP exam results.