

Instructions: Using the GPA calculation Excel Spreadsheet found on our School Counseling blog/GPA Calculation Help page:

Go through your transcript course by course: Count the number of A's B's C's etc. based on credit earned. Put the total in the appropriate cell based on the letter grade and credit earned for each course.

If you are trying to calculate a Core/Academic GPA:

- Do not include elective courses in your tallying; include only coursework in English, Math, Science, Social Studies and Foreign Language.

If you want to calculate a weighted GPA:

- For **AP** courses: go back through and add up how many **1 BQP** earned and, depending on credit earned for that course and enter that number in the appropriate cell.
- NOTE: The following courses that are not AP are given an additional 1.0 bonus quality point in a weighted GPA calculation:
 - Any Level IV or higher Foreign Language course
- For **Honors** courses: go back through count up the appropriate # credit/.5 **BQP** depending on the credit earned and enter that number in the appropriate cell
 - honors courses get a .5 bonus quality point added to the GPA calculation

NOTE: The following Honors courses ARE NOT weighted per Cobb County policy:

- Accelerated Math I, Accel. GPS Alg
- Honors Ninth Lit
- Honors World Geography
- Gifted or ALP courses

If you want to calculate a HOPE GPA:

- Calculate ONLY courses taken in English, Math, Science, Social Studies, and For. Lang. No elective coursework considered in the HOPE GPA calculation. Middle school grades are not included in the HOPE GPA Calculation
- Honors coursework does NOT earn any additional quality points in the HOPE GPA calculation
- AP coursework is only given an additional .5 quality points in the HOPE GPA calculation – not to exceed a 4.0 (i.e. A in an AP course = 4.0, B = 3.5, C = 2.5, D= 1.5, F=0)