West Haven High School

Levels and Grade Weighting
Current Levels

- Advanced Placement/Honors
- Academic
- Developmental (English only)
New Levels

- Competitive College Preparatory Courses (Advanced Placement, Honors)
- Accelerated College Preparatory Courses (Level 1)
- College Preparatory Courses (Level 2)
- College Readiness Courses (Level 3)
Students who enroll in these courses exceed standards in the content area and are offered the opportunity to engage in college level study in several disciplines as part of the College Board’s Advanced Placement Program. Students must demonstrate superior aptitude and achievement and a willingness to commit to considerable independent study. The pace of instruction is rapid and topics are explored in greater depth. Students are expected to complete independent research, group work, and long term assignments.
Accelerated College Preparatory Courses (Level 1)

Students who enroll in these courses are meeting standards in the content area and have demonstrated a high level of academic aptitude and achievement. Emphasis is placed on guiding students in the development of critical thinking skills and the capacity for independent work. Students are expected to do both independent and group projects along with long term assignments.
College Preparatory Courses (Level 2)

Students who enroll in these courses are approaching the standards in the content area. Instructional practices are varied to engage students with different learning styles. Emphasis is placed on developing a strong understanding of fundamentals, capacity for independent and critical thinking, and learning skills necessary for more advanced study. Assignments provide students with practice in working with new concepts, reviews of previously learned material and structure in their learning process. Long-term assignments are frequently broken down into several components.
College Readiness Courses (Level 3)

Students who enroll in these courses are approaching the standards in the content area, with an additional emphasis on skill development. Instructional practices are varied to engage students with different learning styles and abilities. Assignments provide students with practice in working with new concepts, previously learned material and skill development. Long-term assignments are broken down into several components.
Levels, Not Tracking

- Students may be in varied levels based on subject.
- Students always have opportunity for movement.
# Grade Scale

Class of 2019 and Beyond

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Weighted vs. Un-weighted GPA

- Beginning with Class of 2015 both weighted and un-weighted GPA is printed on report cards and transcripts.

- Weighted GPA - only used for class rank, honor roll, and NHS eligibility.
GPA Comparison Area Schools
The following schools were surveyed:

- Amity
- North Branford
- North Haven
- Hamden
- East Haven
- Cheshire
- Shelton
- Law
- Foran
- Ansonia
- Derby
- Naugatuck
Schools over a 4.0

- Amity
- North Branford
- North Haven
- Hamden
- East Haven
- Cheshire
- Shelton
- Law
- Foran
Schools With Numeric

- Ansonia
- Derby
- Naugatuck