Carlisle High School
540 W. North Street
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Grade Interpretation:

CHS - Grading Scale utilized through the 2023-2024 school year

PERCENTAGE	GRADE	QUALITY POINTS
95-100	A	4.000
92-94	A-	3.667
89-91	B+	3.333
86-88	B+	3.000
83-85	B-	2.667
80-82	C+	2.333
77-79	C+	2.000
74-76	C-	1.667
71-73	D+	1.333
65-70	D	1.000
0-64	F	0.667

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73-76	C+	2.000
70-72	C-	1.667
67-69	D+	1.333
63-66	D	1.000
60-62	D-	0.667
0-59	F	0.000

Course Criteria: (through the 2023-2024 school year)

- In order to pass a course, a "D" (1.0 quality point) average is required.
- In order to graduate from Carlisle High School a student must meet the requirements published in the Carlisle High School "*Educational Planning Guide"*.
- In general, students must earn a minimum of 22 credits in major subjects, and two additional credits in Health I and II, Safety Education, and Physical Education.

Course Criteria: (starting with the 2024-2025 school year)

- In order to pass a course, a "D-" (60%) average is required across four marking periods.
- In order to graduate from Carlisle High School a student must meet the requirements published in the Carlisle High School "*Educational Planning Guide"*.
- In general, students must earn a minimum of 22 credits in major subjects, and two additional credits in Health I and II, Safety Education, and Physical Education, along with the requirement of taking and passing a financial literacy course.

Course Notation:

- **Advanced Placement (AP):**
  - Courses approved by College Board and offered at CHS.
- **Honors Level (H):**
  - Courses are college level courses, which are extremely rigorous and open only to students who meet specific department prerequisites and requirements.

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Course Notation Continued:

- **Option II:**
  - Courses designed to offer standards-aligned content with emphasis on theoretical understanding, critical analysis, and independent work, while cultivating academic independence.
- **Option I:**
  - Courses designed to offer standards-aligned content with emphasis on explicit instruction, guided practice, and structured support to promote mastery and application of skills.

Grade Point Average (GPA) / Class Rank Specifics:

- A cumulative grade point average is calculated and class ranking is determined at the end of a student's freshman, sophomore, junior and senior years, using 4.0 scale.
  - Non-Credit Courses are excluded from grade point average calculations
  - An un-weighted grade point average is calculated and a ranking is completed for each student
- A weighted grade point average, gives a .5 additional point value to each Honors and Advanced Placement course when calculated
  - Weighted rankings are determined based on these grade point averages
- There may be some special education students not included in the ranking system
- Students who attend CHS for only one school year, may not receive an official class rank
- Financial Literacy course credit
  - Class of 2027 have taken the course when it was only 0.25 credit value.
  - Class of 2028 and beyond will be taking the course with a value of 0.5 credit.

Course Name Change:

- Prior to the start of the 2026–2027 school year, the Science Department implemented several course title revisions to better reflect course content and ensure consistency within the program of studies. The following course name changes have been made:

Name of course	**Changed to**
Geo-Environmental Science I-I	Earth & Space I-I
Geo-Environmental Science I-II	Earth & Space I-II
Honors Geo-Environmental Science	Honors Earth & Space
Applied Chemistry	Chemistry I-I
Chemistry I	Chemistry I-II

Advanced Placement / Honors Courses: (Currently Offered)

Honors Geo-Environment Science	AP Statistics	Honors French III
Honors Biology	AP Computer Science A	Honors French IV
Honors Chemistry	AP Computer Science Principles	AP French
Honors Anatomy & Physiology	Honors Geometry	Honors German III
AP Environmental Science	Honors Algebra II	Honors German IV
AP Biology	AP Research (Capstone Program)	AP German
AP Chemistry	AP Seminar (Capstone Program)	Honors US History
AP Physics	Honors Spanish III	Honors World History
AP Physics 1	Honors Spanish IV	AP US History
AP Physics C	AP Spanish	AP European History
Honors English I	AP 3D Studio Art	AP US Government & Politics
Honors English II	AP Drawing and 2D Studio Art	AP Psychology
AP Language & Composition	AP Art History	AP African American Studies
AP Literature & Composition	AP Music Theory	Honors Engineering I
Honors Pre-Calculus	Honors Drawing & Painting III	Honors Engineering II
AP Calculus AB	Honors Sculpture & Ceramics III	Honors Engineering III
AP Calculus BC	Honors Digital Art III	Honors Engineering IV