

GPA Calculations

Students and parents often have questions about GPA (Grade Point Average). There are many ways to calculate a GPA so here is some information on what BA students need.

Briarwood Academy GPA

- Students receive either 1 credit or .5 credits for each class at the end of the year. We are not on the block system and don't award semester credits except for the .5 unit classes.
- SAT Verbal and SAT Math are the only elective classes calculated in BA GPA.
- Your BA GPA is the average of all your final grades. (1 unit classes are put in twice and .5 classes are put in once.)
- We do not rank.

GPA and College Admissions

- Your BA GPA does appear on your transcript. Many colleges will set aside the BA GPA and recalculate according to the classes the college wishes to consider. Do not be alarmed if your BA GPA is not the same as your college calculated GPA.

HOPE Scholarship GPA

- This is done by the state and BA does not calculate the HOPE GPA.
- Official HOPE information and assistance are available at www.gafutures.org
- Only courses taken in academic subject areas are included in the HOPE GPA.
- Courses taken in middle school for high school credit are not calculated in HOPE GPA.
- GSFC converts each numeric grade to its equivalent on a 4.0 scale. Any numeric grades which, when rounded up, will move student to a high equivalent will be rounded on the transcript. (BA considers an 89.5 and an A and worth 4 points. The 89.5 will be rounded to a 90 so HOPE will award a 4.0.)
- GSFC does not round. A 79.9 does not round up to an 80.
- Any bonus points awarded by BA are taken off.

