

WHAT'S NEW AT HAMILTON HIGH SCHOOL

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CLASS OF 2029

ACT 95

Personal Finance Required

New Grading Scale

The following courses will be graded on a 5.0 scale:

Transcripted Credit
Start College Now
Advanced Placement
Dual Enrollment

See Course Catalog for specific course names

In lieu of class rank, the Laude System will be implemented

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CLASS OF 2028

ACT 95

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Transcripted Credit
Start College Now
Advanced Placement
Dual Enrollment

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CLASS OF 2027

ACT 95

Personal Finance Optional

New Grading Scale

The following courses will be graded on a 5.0 scale:

Advanced Placement
See Course Catalog for specific course names

Class Rank will be calculated based on GPA

Class rank will be reported on **official** transcripts only.

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CLASS OF 2026

ACT 95

Personal Finance Optional

New Grading Scale

The following courses will be graded on a 5.0 scale:

Advanced Placement
See Course Catalog for specific course names

Class Rank will be calculated based on GPA

Class rank will be reported on **official** transcripts only.

GRADING SCALE

All HHS Students (beginning with the 2024-2025 school year)

GRADE	PERCENTAGE	GPA	WEIGHTED GPA	GRADE	PERCENTAGE	GPA	WEIGHTED GPA
A	93-100	4.00	5.0	C	73-77	2.00	3.00
A/B	88-92	3.50	4.50	C/D	68-72	1.50	2.50
B	83-87	3.00	4.00	D	60-67	1.00	2.00
B/C	78-82	2.50	3.50	F	0-59	0.0	0.0

LAUDE SYSTEM INFORMATION

Beginning with the Class of 2028

The Laude System acknowledges student achievement through a combination of cumulative GPA and number of advanced courses completed (with a minimum grade of 'C') in their high school career as calculated at the end of the 7th semester.

- Cum Laude** (with distinction) 3.0 or higher cumulative GPA with at least 4 advanced courses
- Magna Cum Laude** (with great distinction) 3.5 or higher cumulative GPA with at least 6 advanced courses
- Summa Cum Laude** (with highest distinction) 3.75 - 4.00+ cumulative GPA with at least 8 advanced course credits

ACT 95 INFORMATION

All HHS Students

This new law requires every Wisconsin public high school to rank the GPA of students at the end of their junior year. Students ranking in the top 5% of each WI high school will receive guaranteed admission to the University of Wisconsin - Madison. Students in the top 10% of each WI high school will receive direct admission into all other schools in the University of Wisconsin System. The Guaranteed Admissions program took effect for first-year college applicants for the fall of the 2025-2026 academic year. (HHS graduating class of 2025) [Click here to learn more.](#)

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