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SUBJECT: Hathaway Scholarship Program Grade-Weighting Policy
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2018-19 HATHAWAY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM GRADE-WEIGHTING POLICY

Changes have been made to the way high school GPAs are calculated for the Hathaway Scholarship. In accordance with 2017 [Senate Enrolled Act 0056](#), the Wyoming Department of Education (WDE) established a [grade-weighting policy](#) that accounts for the increased academic rigor of certain high school courses.

Beginning with the 2018-19 school year, **all districts are required** to calculate a weighted Hathaway GPA and to display the weighted Hathaway GPA on all student transcripts for Hathaway Scholarship awarding purposes. The five-point (5.0) scale is used only to determine the level of the Hathaway Scholarship awarded. Districts may continue to use their existing grade-weighting policies for other purposes.

The weighted Hathaway GPA affects all Advanced Placement (AP), International Baccalaureate (IB), and +1000 level and above dual/concurrent courses for all students. Every school district will implement the following five-point (5.0) scale during the 2018-19 school year and beyond:

Grade	Point Value for 4.0 Scale	Point Value for 5.0 Scale
A	4	5
B	3	4
C	2	3
D	1	2
F	0	0

More information can be found at www.hathawayscholarship.org.

For questions about the Hathaway grade-weighting policy, contact Jennifer LaHiff or Bradley Barker at hathawayscholarship@wyo.gov.