

88-29a-10. Methods for state educational institutions to use when evaluating qualifications for admission. This regulation shall be applicable to each state educational institution's review of applicants beginning with the 2015 summer session and through the end of the 2021 spring session.

(a) Each admission officer at a state educational institution shall consider an applicant's ACT or SAT scores as follows:

(1) A documented score of 1060 on the SAT, excluding the writing portion of the SAT, shall be deemed the equivalent of a composite score of 21 or superscore of 21 on the ACT for purposes of this article of the board of regents' regulations.

(2) A documented composite score or a documented superscore of 21 or above on the ACT may be used to admit an applicant in the temporary admission category after the applicant's completion of the sixth high school semester, without further review of the applicant's materials.

(3) The admission officer shall consider the applicant's best ACT-issued composite score or superscore for admission decisions.

(4) If an applicant has taken both the ACT and the SAT, the admission officer shall consider the applicant's better score on the two tests for admission decisions.

(b) Each admission officer at a state educational institution shall consider class rank as follows:

(1) If class rank cannot be determined, the admission officer shall not admit an applicant under this criterion.

(2) If an applicant's documented class rank is in the top third of the applicant's class after the applicant's seventh semester of high school, the class rank may be used to admit an applicant into the temporary admission category without further review of the applicant's materials.

(3) If an applicant's documented class rank is in the top third of the applicant's class after the applicant's sixth semester of high school, the class rank may be used to admit an applicant into the temporary admission category without further review of the applicant's materials.

(c) If the high school has not already calculated the grade point average in the qualified admission precollege curriculum and provided that information on the official high school transcript, each admission officer at a state educational institution shall calculate the grade point average in the qualified admission precollege curriculum for any applicant seeking admission pursuant to K.A.R. 88-29a-11, as follows:

(1) The admission officer shall ensure that the requirements of K.A.R. 88-29a-11 are met before calculating the grade point average.

(2) The admission officer shall calculate a grade point average only for approved qualified admission precollege curriculum courses appearing on the official high school transcript.

(3) The admission officer shall consider a course to be part of the approved qualified admission precollege curriculum only if the course was approved in accordance with K.A.R. 88-29a-11 for the semester and year in which the applicant completed the course and if the applicant earned a grade of D or better.

(4) The admission officer shall consider a course to be part of the approved qualified admission precollege curriculum only if the course code that appears on the official high school transcript is the same as the course code of the approved course.

(5)(A) If the high school transcript reports grades on a four-point scale, the admission officer shall calculate grade point averages in the approved qualified admission precollege curriculum by assigning four points to a grade of A, three points to a grade of B, two points to a grade of C, and one point to a grade of D. Pluses and minuses shall not be considered in the calculation.

(B) If the high school transcript reports grades on a scale other than a four-point scale, the admission officer shall mathematically convert the grades to a four-point scale and assign points as described in paragraph (c)(5)(A).

(6) The admission officer shall consider grades of P or pass as follows:

(A) If the high school transcript indicates that a P is equivalent to a grade of D or higher, the admission officer shall assign one grade point to each grade of P.

(B) If the high school transcript indicates that a P is equivalent to a grade of C or higher, the admission officer shall assign two grade points to each grade of P.

(C) If the high school transcript does not indicate the minimum letter grade corresponding to a P, the admission officer shall assign one grade point to each grade of P.

(7) If an applicant has retaken an approved qualified admission precollege course, the admission officer shall use the highest grade when calculating the grade point average for the approved qualified admission precollege curriculum.

(8) If an applicant has taken a college course to meet the requirements for the approved qualified admission precollege curriculum and if this college course appears on the applicant's official high school transcript, the admission officer shall calculate the grade for the college course, for purposes of determining the precollege curriculum grade point average as follows:

(A) Each college course with three or more credit hours, but no more than five credit hours, shall be treated as a one-unit high school course.

(B) Each college course with more than five credit hours shall be treated as a two-unit high school course.

(d) If the high school has not already calculated the grade point average in the Kansas scholars curriculum and provided that information on the official high school transcript, each admission officer at a state educational institution shall calculate the grade point average in the Kansas scholars curriculum for any applicant seeking admission pursuant to K.A.R. 88-13-3, as follows:

(1) The admission officer shall ensure that the requirements established pursuant to K.A.R. 88-13-3 are met before calculating the grade point average.

(2) The admission officer shall calculate a grade point average only for approved Kansas scholars curriculum courses appearing on the official high school transcript.

(3) The admission officer shall consider a course to be part of the approved Kansas scholars curriculum only if the course was approved in accordance with guidelines established pursuant to K.A.R. 88-13-3 and if the applicant earned a grade of D or better.

(4)(A) If the high school transcript reports grades on a four-point scale, the admission officer shall calculate grade point averages in the approved Kansas scholars curriculum by assigning four points to a grade of A, three points to a grade of B, two points to a grade of C, and one point to a grade of D. Pluses and minuses shall not be considered in the calculation.

(B) If the high school transcript reports grades on a scale other than a four-point scale, the admission officer shall mathematically convert the grades to a four-point scale and assign points as described in paragraph (c)(5)(A).

(5) The admission officer shall consider grades of P or pass as follows:

(A) If the high school transcript indicates that a P is equivalent to a grade of D or higher, the admission officer shall assign one grade point to each grade of P.

(B) If the high school transcript indicates that a P is equivalent to a grade of C or higher, the admission officer shall assign two grade points to each grade of P.

(C) If the high school transcript does not indicate the minimum letter grade corresponding to a P, the admission officer shall assign one grade point to each grade of P.

(6) If an applicant has retaken an approved Kansas scholars course, the admission officer shall use the highest grade when calculating the grade point average for the approved Kansas scholars curriculum.

(7) If an applicant has taken a college course to meet the requirements for the approved Kansas scholars curriculum and this college course appears on the applicant's official high school transcript, the admission officer shall calculate the grade in the college course, for purposes of determining the Kansas scholars curriculum grade point average, as follows:

(A) Each college course with at least three but no more than five credit hours shall be treated as a one-unit high school course.

(B) Each college course with more than five credit hours shall be treated as a two-unit high school course.

(e) If the high school has not already calculated the grade point average in the qualified admission precollege curriculum and provided that information on the official high school transcript, each admission officer at a state educational institution shall calculate the grade point average in the qualified admission precollege curriculum for any resident applicant seeking admission pursuant to K.A.R. 88-29a-18(a) through (e), as follows:

(1) The admission officer shall ensure that the requirements of K.A.R. 88-29a-18(a) through (e) are met before calculating the grade point average.

(2) The admission officer shall calculate the grade point average of approved qualified admission precollege curriculum courses taken from an accredited Kansas high school as described in paragraphs (c)(2) through (c)(8)(B).

(3) The admission officer shall calculate the grade point average of college preparatory courses taken from a high school located outside the state of Kansas as follows:

(A) The applicant shall have earned a grade of D or better.

(B)(i) If the high school transcript reports grades on a four-point scale, the admission officer shall calculate grade point averages in the qualified admission precollege curriculum by assigning four points to a grade of A, three points to a grade of B, two points to a grade of C, and one point to a grade of D. Pluses and minuses shall not be considered in the calculation.

(ii) If the high school transcript reports grades on a scale other than a four-point scale, the admission officer shall mathematically convert the grades to a four-point scale and assign points as described in paragraph (c)(5)(A).

(4) The admission officer shall consider grades of P or pass as follows:

(A) If the high school transcript indicates that a P is equivalent to a grade of D or higher, the admission officer shall assign one grade point to each grade of P.

(B) If the high school transcript indicates that a P is equivalent to a grade of C or higher, the admission officer shall assign two grade points to each grade of P.

(C) If the high school transcript does not indicate the minimum letter grade corresponding to a P, the admission officer shall assign one grade point to each grade of P.

(5) If an applicant has retaken a qualified admission precollege course, the admission officer shall use the highest grade when calculating the grade point average for the qualified admission precollege curriculum.

(6) If an applicant has taken a college course to meet the requirements for the qualified admission precollege curriculum and this college course appears on the applicant's official high school transcript, the admission officer shall calculate the grade in the college course, for purposes of determining the precollege curriculum grade point average, as follows:

(A) Each college course with at least three but no more than five credit hours shall be treated as a one-unit high school course.

(B) Each college course with more than five credit hours shall be treated as a two-unit high school course.

(f) For any resident applicant seeking admission pursuant to K.A.R. 88-29a-18(f), the admission officer shall calculate the grade point average in the qualified admission precollege curriculum as follows:

(1) The admission officer shall ensure that the requirements of K.A.R. 88-29a-18(f) are met before calculating the grade point average.

(2) The admission officer shall calculate the grade point average of qualified admission precollege curriculum courses taken from an accredited Kansas high school as described in paragraphs (c)(2) through (c)(8)(B).

(3) The admission officer shall calculate the grade point average of college preparatory courses taken from high schools located outside the state of Kansas as described in paragraphs (e)(3) through (e)(6)(B).

(4) The admission officer shall calculate the grade point average of qualified admission precollege curriculum courses taken after high school graduation as described in paragraphs (e)(6)(A) and (e)(6)(B).

(g) If the high school has not already calculated the grade point average in the college preparatory curriculum established by the state in which the applicant is a resident and provided that information on the official high school transcript, each admission officer at a state educational institution shall calculate the grade point average for that state's college preparatory curriculum for any nonresident applicant seeking admission pursuant to K.A.R. 88-29a-19(a) as follows:

(1) The admission officer shall ensure that the requirements of K.A.R. 88-29a-19(a) are met before calculating the grade point average.

(2) The admission officer shall calculate a grade point average only for college preparatory courses appearing on the official high school transcript.

(3) The admission officer shall consider a course to be part of the approved college preparatory curriculum only if the applicant earned a grade of D or better.

(4)(A) If the high school transcript reports grades on a four-point scale, the admission officer shall calculate grade point averages in the approved college preparatory curriculum by assigning four points to a grade of A, three points to a grade of B, two points to a grade of C, and one point to a grade of D. Pluses and minuses shall not be considered in the calculation.

(B) If the high school transcript reports grades on a scale other than a four-point scale, the admission officer shall mathematically convert the grades to a four-point scale and assign points as described in paragraph (c)(5)(A).

(5) The admission officer shall consider grades of P or pass as follows:

(A) If the high school transcript indicates that a P is equivalent to a grade of D or higher, the admission officer shall assign one grade point to each grade of P.

(B) If the high school transcript indicates that a P is equivalent to a grade of C or higher, the admission officer shall assign two grade points to each grade of P.

(C) If the high school transcript does not indicate the minimum letter grade corresponding to a P, the admission officer shall assign one grade point to each grade of P.

(6) If an applicant has retaken a college preparatory course, the admission officer shall use the highest grade when calculating the grade point average for the college preparatory curriculum.

(7) If an applicant has taken a college course to meet the requirements for the college preparatory curriculum and this college course appears on the applicant's official high school transcript, the admission officer shall calculate the grade in the college course, for purposes of determining the college preparatory curriculum grade point average, as follows:

(A) Each college course with at least three but no more than five credit hours shall be treated as a one-unit high school course.

(B) Each college course with more than five credit hours shall be treated as a two-unit high school course.

(h) At the time of admission of an applicant, the state educational institution shall notify the applicant of the following:

(1) The category or categories in which the applicant is admitted;

(2) any enrollment restrictions associated with the applicant's category or categories of admission; and

(3) the requirements for removing any enrollment restrictions associated with the applicant's category or categories of admission.

This regulation shall have no force and effect on and after June 1, 2021. (Authorized by and implementing K.S.A. 76-717; effective July 22, 2011; amended April 13, 2012; amended Oct. 16, 2020.)