

COLLEGE & CAREER READINESS

Kuna High School Bi-Monthly Newsletter



People Are Looking at Your GPA

From Idaho Next Steps Website

The GPA is the standard metric of gauging academic performance and progress in the United States.

The grade point average (GPA) scale sets “4.0” as the 100% baseline. The assignments or exams that students turn in over the course of a semester, year, and (cumulatively) across their academic career will either maintain that baseline or detract from it (cause it to decrease).

The term “cumulative GPA” most often refers to a student’s average GPA from grades 9 through 12. And it is this cumulative GPA that colleges, employers, and high schools will examine when considering admittance, offering positions, and assigning honors. On the flip-side, a too-low GPA may be a barrier to high school graduation, scholarship eligibility, and/or securing certain types of work.

Your GPA is a key indicator of effort, not intelligence.

If you know your GPA is not an accurate representation of your academic potential, make friends with a trusted teacher or college and career advisor. Regular conversations with informed school staff can help you articulate your future goals, and any challenges you may be dealing with in addition to course work.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

See college and Career Calendar for most up to date events.

10/7 VIRUTAL VISIT: MARINES

**10/8 VIRUTAL VISIT:
UNIVERSITY OF IDAHO**

**10/14 FUTURE READY
SOLUTIONS VIRTUAL CCR
CONFERENCE**

**10/19-11/6 APPLICATION WEEK
FOR SENIORS**

**10/21 VIRTUAL VISIT:
MARINES**

**10/23 LAST DAY TO DROP CWI
DUAL ENROLL COURSE**

**10/26 VIRTUAL VISIT: IDAHO
STATE**



Idaho Youth for Change Virtual Summit

OCTOBER 23rd, 24th

Idaho Youth for Change Virtual Summit!
This student-led event's purpose is to give youth the tools they need to be a catalyst for change in their community. The summit will create conditions for self-empowerment, strengthen skills, build relationships, and spark action for more equitable, healthy, and thriving communities across Idaho.

We are dedicated to advancing the goals:

"Strengthening Skills"
"Creating Community"
"Sparking Strategy"

Students will hear from experienced community organizers to provide them with the tools necessary to be empowered, strong individuals that can create thriving, inclusive communities across our state. Youth will connect and share ideas with other youth from across the state, leading to future opportunities for action.

Register [here!](#)

Follow us on Instagram!
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OCTOBER 23rd, 24th via
WHOVA

info@idahoyouthforchange.org

How is my GPA calculated?

The GPA generally operates on a scale of 0 to 4, with four being the highest. A 4 value is given for an "A" grade, a 3 is given for a "B" grade, a 2 is given for a "C" grade, etc. Sometimes students have a GPA that ranks higher than 4, as their grades are weighted more heavily for AP and other advanced classes.

When do my grades start to count toward GPA?

Your high school GPA is calculated starting in 9th grade, although occasionally students take high-school level classes prior to entering 9th grade, which will likely count toward your GPA.

How can I improve my GPA?

The best way to boost your GPA is to work as hard as you can, put in a bit more study time, and stay on top of your grades throughout the semester so that you always know where you stand and what you need to do to get your desired grades. You may want to check in with your teachers periodically to see if there's anything you can do to pull up your grades.

If you do poorly in a class, there may be opportunities to retake the class in order to repair your GPA. Talk with your counselor about opportunities for summer school or retaking a class the following year.

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Technical
Schools

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