

## **Understanding the Detailed Student Calculations Report**

### **HOPE GPA Vocabulary:**

Credit Qualifier- this is a symbol that a school uses to show a course that should not be counted toward the HOPE GPA. The most common credit qualifiers that schools use are a credit qualifier to show a middle school course and a credit qualifier to show transfer courses.

Weighting Indicator- this is a symbol that a school uses to show that a course grade has been weighted by the school. If a course has a weighting indicator, the school has identified a standard weight that the school added to the course. This weight provided by the school is subtracted from the grade sent to GSFC.

Grade Qualifier- this is a grade that a school uses in its transcripts that should not be counted toward the HOPE GPA. Common examples of Grade Qualifiers are S for Satisfactory, P for Pass, and U for Unsatisfactory.

Core Courses- The core courses are the courses that are used in the HOPE GPA Calculation. Core Courses are those courses in the subject areas of Math, Science, Social Studies, and English for all students. If the student has a College Preparatory Program of Study, Foreign Language courses are also Core Courses.

### **Walking through the Columns and the Calculation:**

Courses Excluded from GPA Calc.- This column tells you which courses were not counted in the HOPE GPA Calculation. If the course has \*, then the course is a not a core course and has been excluded from the HOPE GPA Calculation. If the course has \*\*, then the course has been excluded from the calculation because the school has provided us with a credit qualifier for the course. If the course has \*\*\*, then the course has been excluded from the calculation because the school has provided us with a grade qualifier for the course. If the course has X, then the course was rejected from the calculation because there was an error in the student information or in the course information. Please check the Error Report to identify and correct the error.

Year- This is the year that the course was taken that your school has provided in the transcript.

Term- This is the term that the course was taken that your school has provided in the transcript.

Course Number- This is the course number of the course that your school has provided in the transcript.

Course Description- This is the name of the course that your school has provided in the transcript.

Credits Attempted- This is the number of credits that the student attempted to earn by taking the course that has been provided by the school in the transcript.

Credit Qualifier- This is the symbol of the credit qualifier that your school has provided for a course in the transcript. If the column is blank for a particular course, your school has not provided a credit qualifier for this course.

Grade Awarded- This is the grade that your school has provided for a course in the transcript.

Weighting Indicator- This is the weighting indicator that your school has provided for a course in the transcript. If the column is blank for a particular course, your school has not provided a weighting indicator for this course.

Points Subtracted Due to Weighting Indicator- This is the number of points that are subtracted from the grade due to the weighting indicator that your school has provided for a course.

Unweighted Grade- This is the grade after the points from the weighting indicator are subtracted.

Convert to a 4.0 Scale- This is the unweighted grade converted to a 4.0 scale. If you have numeric grades, your school's grading scale is used to convert to a letter grade. Then the letter grade is converted to a standard 4.0 scale (A=4.0, B=3.0, C=2.0, D=1.0, F=0.0). If you have letter grades, then the letter grade is directly converted to a standard 4.0 scale.

Re-weight AP/IB- This is the weight added back to the converted 4.0 grade if the course is an AP/IB course. If the AP or IB course ended before June 15, 2006, 1.0 is added to the converted 4.0 grade, not to exceed 4.0. If the AP or IB course ended on or after June 15, 2006, 0.5 is added to the converted 4.0 grade.

4.0 Scale Weighted Grade- This is the sum of the grade found in the "Convert to 4.0 Scale" column and anything that is found in the "Re-weight AP/IB" column.

Grade Multiplied by Credits Attempted- This is the grade found in the "4.0 Scale Weighted Grade" column multiplied by the credits found in the "Credits Attempted" column.

### **Calculating the HOPE GPA:**

Divide the Total found at the bottom of the "Grade Multiplied by Credits Attempted" column by the Total found at the bottom of the "Credits Attempted" column. This number is your HOPE GPA.