

**Uniform Grading Policy 3.301**

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**The Background:**

Chapter 957 of the *Tennessee Public Acts of 2016* sets requirements for awarding quality points to locally adopted grading systems for honors, national industry certification (NIC), statewide dual credit, Advanced Placement (AP), Cambridge, International Baccalaureate (IB), and dual enrollment courses.

This proposed item updates the Uniform Grading Policy to reflect the following new requirements:

- One-half (1/2) quality point shall be added to the numerical quality point value corresponding to the letter grade received for the course in an honors or NIC course;
- Three-fourths (3/4) quality points shall be added to the numerical quality point value corresponding to the letter grade received for the course in a statewide dual credit course; and
- One (1) quality point shall be added to the numerical quality point value corresponding to the letter grade received in the course for an AP, Cambridge, IB, or dual enrollment course.

**The Fiscal Analysis Impact:**

Tenn. Code Ann. § 49-1-212 requires that the Department of Education prepare a fiscal analysis of any policy, rule or regulation proposed to the State Board of Education. This item has no financial impact on an LEA.

**The Recommendation:**

The Department of Education recommends acceptance of this item on first reading. The SBE staff concurs with this recommendation.