

India

Educational Timeline

- School year: July-April; Graduation occurs in April
- Primary School is typically divided into five years of Primary School and three years of Upper Primary School. Secondary School is typically divided into two years of Secondary School and two years of Higher Secondary School, although these timelines vary from state to state.

Group A: Documents That Meet High School Graduation Requirement

Students presenting documents other than those listed below will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis

All India Senior School Certificate
Higher Secondary Certificate
Higher Secondary School Certificate
Indian School Certificate
Pre-University Certificate
Senior Secondary School Certificate

Group B: Documents That Do Not Meet High School Graduation Requirement

Comparable to less than completion of US high school

All India Secondary School Certificate
Indian Certificate of Secondary Education
Secondary School Certificate
Secondary School Leaving Certificate

GPA Calculation

Central Board of Secondary Education Exams (the All India Senior Secondary School Certificate):

Calculate the cumulative high school GPA using all subjects given a “positional grade” on the official exam certificate. Exam results listed on documents other than official exam certificates issued from the examination bodies (e.g. transcripts or letters from schools) cannot be used to calculate the GPA. Convert each exam grade to a US equivalent using the corresponding scale below and convert to quality points. Divide quality points by the total number of exams given a positional grade on the certificate. All exam grades are used and are weighted equally in the calculation.

All other “Group A” documents:

Calculate the cumulative high school GPA using all exam grades earned on official exam certificates listed in “Group A” above. Exam results listed on documents other than official exam certificates issued from the examination bodies (e.g. transcripts or letters from schools) cannot be used to calculate the GPA. Determine a percentage grade for each subject listed on the certificate by dividing “marks obtained” by “maximum marks.” Convert each percentage grade to a US equivalent using the corresponding scale(s) below and convert to quality points. Divide quality points by the total number of exam grades listed on the official certificate. All exam grades are used and are weighted equally in the calculation.

Grading Scale (May not be all inclusive):

Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE)- All India Senior School Certificate:

Grade	US Grade	Quality Points	
A1	A+	4	
A2	A	4	
B1	B+	3	
B2	B	3	
C1	B-	3	
C2	C	2	
D1	C-	1	
D2	D	1	lowest passing grade
E	F	0	

General Grading Scale:

Grade	US Grade	Quality Points	
60-100%	A	4	
50-59%	B	3	
35-49%	C	2	
0-34%	F	0	

Class Ranking

Class rank is evaluated based on a letter written and submitted by the headmaster or principal of the institution from which the student graduated. The letter must confirm both the student's final position in his/her secondary school class and the total number of students in the graduating class (e.g. the student is 41st in a total graduating class of 112 students). However, students completing tracked or separate examinations (e.g. All India Senior School Certificate) must be ranked against all other students in a given class who completed the same degree program.

Post-Secondary Education

Students will be charged terms of attendance and considered transfer students if they have enrolled as a regular student and attended one or more post-secondary courses at any of the types of institutions listed below (may not be all inclusive) or any other institution that requires proof of high school graduation as a pre-requisite for admission (subject to review on a case-by-case basis).

University (*Vishwavidyalaya/Vidyapith/Vidyapeeth*)

Institute of Technology

Institute of Medical Sciences

Institute of Social Sciences

Law Institute

Educational Institute

Research Institute

School/Institute of Management

Institute of Higher Learning

Academy of Higher Education

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