



South Hunterdon Regional School District

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

As we continue to reflect on current educational practices, we strive to align ourselves with similar districts as well as higher education systems beyond South Hunterdon Regional School District. As a result, beginning in the 2018-2019 school year, we will no longer be posting or publicly sharing a student's individual class rank. This former practice has been eliminated in our neighboring districts and in most cases is not required by colleges or universities. In fact, below are a couple testimonials from a few institutions that we had reached out to regarding this change in practice:

"Drawing applicants from high schools throughout the entire United States, Loyola University Maryland deals with a complete variety of different grading and course weighting scales. To make sure all of our applicants are fairly reviewed we use an unweighted GPA for admission review. As a result we have put essentially no stock if any in class rank for a number of years now." – Brian Klein

"I have been at Rider for 14 years and we have never used rank in the admission process. It is not a factor that we consider when reviewing a student for admission." – Susan Makowski

Please know that students will continue to be provided a Grade Point Average (GPA) and this will be accessible on each student's transcript as well as through the Parent Portal. In June 2019, the GPA will be utilized to determine which students are offered the possible opportunity to speak at our commencement ceremony at the end of each school year. Should you have any questions regarding this change in procedure/practice, please feel free to reach out to your child's school counselor or me.

Sincerely,

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