



### **Class Rank for J.D. Students**

- A. Overview:** A student's individual numerical rank is based on his or her expected graduation date. It is generally presumed that full-time entrants will graduate in three years, while part-time entrants will graduate in four years. Students may modify their expected graduation date in accordance with procedures developed by the Registrar.
- B. Ranking System and Procedure:**
1. Full-time first-year students are ranked with their full-time entering class after their first fall semester. After their first spring semester, the full-time students will be ranked with second-year part-time students, based on expected graduation date. Ranking information will be provided for this combined cohort every semester thereafter (excluding summers).
  2. Part-time first-year students are ranked with their part-time entering class after their first spring semester and their second fall semester. After their second spring semester, the part-time students will be ranked with full-time first-year students, based on expected graduation date. Ranking information will be provided for this combined cohort every semester thereafter (excluding summers).
  3. Ranking data for July graduates will be based on where they would have ranked had they graduated in the preceding May graduation class.
  4. This policy does not affect the *Scholastic Honors* policy or the *Further Required Curriculum* policy.

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