
How is my Weyrling Character Doing in Training? (The Weyrling Rank Points System)

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At Kadanzer, we have a weyrling ranking system whereby your persona weyrling earns points which determine how well he or she is doing in weyrling training. The performance of weyrling personas in the Weyrling Wing will be determined by the amount of membership activity submitted for the club magazine in that character's name. Stories, poetry, artwork and other submissions will be counted on a point-per-page basis.

A weyrling persona can safely graduate without the accumulation of any points; a zero or low-point score simply means that the weyrling in question is an average student in the Wing. The students who accumulate a lot of points, however, will be recognized in Wing reports and elsewhere as being exemplary students and as being at the top of the class.

For example, bronzerider S'tel of Weyrling Class #5 graduated at the top of his class with 14 points, followed by greenriders Listelle & Mikyla (7 pts each), brownrider D'vin (3 pts), and bronzerider T'sem (3 pts).



Guidelines for the Weyrling Class Ranking System

1) Stories, poetry, art, or other submissions written about a character who is currently serving as a weyrling in the Weyrling Wing, or as a Candidate in the Lower Caverns, are counted toward class performance. This includes Search stories. (Materials submitted for a character previous to their being Searched/becoming a Candidate and/or printed previous to the persona becoming a Candidate will not be retroactively applied.)

2) To be counted, submissions must include the active participation of the weyrling persona. Materials concerning other personas will not be counted (although they are considered as applying toward earning a gold firelizard or gold dragon for you as a member). For example -- a story about a persona who is a combat rider will not apply toward your new weyrling; if the weyrling has a walk-on role and speaks a word or two or has a single action, that will not earn a point. However, if the weyrling has a more active role in a story centered around another persona, the weyrling may earn some points at the Weyrlingmaster's discretion.

a) The exception to this rule is for artists who draw artwork of other members' personas currently in the Weyrling Wings or who are currently Candidates or

Weyrling Wing staff. These individuals will earn additional points for their own persona.

3) Materials are counted on a point-per-page basis, except for colored artwork; artwork submitted with a detailed background will be worth two points per page.

4) Material posted to an RP does not count toward Weyrling Wing points. However, if RP material is turned into a story for the 'zine, points will be earned.

This grading system is a way to reward those members who actively use and support their weyrling personas. Any questions or concerns about this system can be directed the Weyrlingmaster. Some exceptions may be allowed -- for example, if a member earns points for a weyrling persona but wants to say that this persona performs lower than the rest of the class, this will be allowed, even if the point system contradicts it. However, the reverse -- claiming a weyrling persona is at the top of their class without the points to earn the rank -- will not be allowed.