

**Academic Honors, Class Ranking, Valedictorian and Salutatorian**

**Academic Honors**

Honor Graduates will have completed the prescribed course of study in accordance with NH code and regulations issued by the School Board and the New Hampshire State Board of Education.

Grade Point Average (GPA) to determine valedictorian, salutatorian, and other honor graduates will be computed at the conclusion of the final semester.

A student must achieve a 3.75 G.P.A. to be designated an Honor Graduate.

A Graduate who has completed 23.25 or more credits, including 1 Dual Enrollment Course and/or AP/College credit, shall be designated as an Honor Graduate.

An Honor Graduate who has completed 25.25 or more credits, including 2 Dual Enrollment Course and/or AP/College credits, shall be designated as a High Honors Graduate.

**District Requirements for Designation as Valedictorian**

1. The Valedictorian must be a High Honors Graduate.
2. The Valedictorian must have been a student at the High School for his or her entire Junior and Senior years (four semesters).
3. The student with the highest GPA, computed on the 4-point scale, shall be named Valedictorian.

In the event of a tie the numerical grade average, of the 2 or more Running Start of College/AP classes in which the student received the highest grades, will be determined for each student whose GPA is tied. If all averages are not equal, the student with the highest numerical average shall be named Valedictorian.

If a tie still exists, all those who are tied shall be designated Co-Valedictorians

**School District Requirements For Designation As Salutatorian**

1. The Salutatorian must be a High Honor Graduate.
2. The Salutatorian must have been a student at the High School for his or her entire Junior and Senior years (four semesters).
3. The student with the highest GPA after the Valedictorian shall be named Salutatorian.

In the event of a tie the numerical grade average, of the two or more Running Start or College/AP classes in which the student received the highest grades, will be determined for each student whose GPA is tied. If all averages are not equal, the student with the highest numerical average shall be named Salutatorian.

If a tie still exists, all those who are tied shall be designated Co-Salutatorians

**Class Rank For Official High School Transcripts**

A graduate's class rank shall be determined by their final grade point average with the ranks being assigned as follow:

Class rank shall be composite of grades earned in high school, grades 9-12. Grades transferred from schools where class rank is determined by a different system shall be converted to the School System ranking system. Grades earned in system-sponsored summer school, other principal approved courses offered outside of the School, and principal-approved dual enrollment in programs offered at institutions of higher education (IHEs), shall be included in the calculation of class rank.

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