

## HONORING PUPIL ACHIEVEMENT

The Board of Education values excellence and wishes to instill in pupils the desire to do their best in all things.

The Board will recognize the outstanding achievements of pupils by means appropriate to the grade level of the pupil and to the nature of the accomplishment.

The Board will maintain membership in the National Honor Society and will follow the guidelines of that organization in selecting members from the pupils in this district.

In each high school graduating class, the pupil who has earned the highest grade point average shall be named valedictorian and the pupil who has earned the next highest grade point average shall be named salutatorian.

Additionally, a pupil who enters Clearview High School during the year of his/her graduation (usually twelfth grade), or who is to graduate high school in less than four years (usually from an accelerated program ), shall be included in the overall ranking for that graduating class, but shall not displace or move any other pupil from his/her ranked position. In essence, this pupil shall be given the same rank place as the pupil who has been a member of the graduating class during previous years.

Grade point average shall be determined in accordance with Policy No. 5430 and shall, for the purpose of this recognition, be calculated at the end of the year.

In the event the highest or next highest grade point average has been earned by two or more pupils, both or all the pupils who have tied for first or second place shall be named co-valedictorian or co-salutatorian, as the case may be.

The Superintendent shall develop regulations for the recognition of pupil achievement that establish fair standards for recognition, assure that all eligible pupils are offered an equal opportunity to meet those standards, and provide for appropriate recognition ceremonies and awards.

N.J.S.A. 18A:11-3

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