

## RECOGNITION OF GRADUATING SENIORS

1.
  - A. Ranking shall be completed at the end of the third marking period of the senior year.
  - B. All computations for class rank shall be made by the Guidance Department, under the supervision of the High School Principal.
  - C. Advanced Placement Courses represent a significant academic challenge. Grades for Advanced Placement Courses, therefore, shall be weighted by adding ten (10) points to the final grade for the purpose of calculating grade point average (G.P.A.).
2.
  - A. Any student achieving a 90-93 weighted, cumulative Grade Point Average at the end of the third marking period of the Senior year will be awarded his/her diploma "With Honors" as a separate and distinct designation.
  - B. Any student achieving a 94-95 weighted, cumulative Grade Point Average at the end of the third marking period of the Senior Year will be awarded his/her diploma "With High Honors" as a separate and distinct designation.
  - C. Any student achieving a 96+ weighted cumulative Grade Point Average at the end of the third marking period of the Senior Year will be awarded his/her diploma "With Highest Honors" as a separate and distinct designation.

3.
  - A. Students graduating with Honors, High Honors or Highest Honors will be recognized at Graduation.
  - B. The student who achieves Rank One shall be named Valedictorian.

The student who achieves Rank Two shall be named Salutatorian.

- C. The Top 10% of the Class will be designated. In order to qualify for the Top 10%, Valedictorian or Salutatorian, students must have earned an Advanced Regents Diploma. In addition, students must have successfully completed Pre-Calculus or Calculus and Chemistry or Physics.

4. SUMMARY

- A. The District will recognize the Valedictorian, Salutatorian and Top 10% at graduation.
  - B. To Qualify for Valedictorian, Salutatorian, or Top 10%, a student must have earned an Advanced Regents Diploma, and completed Pre-Calculus or Calculus AND Chemistry or Physics.
  - C. Advanced Placement Courses shall have a grade weighting of ten (10) points, for the sole purpose of determining Grade Point Average.
  - D. The final Grade Point Average shall be determined at the end of the third marking period of the Senior Year.
  - E. This policy shall be in effect with the Class of 2016.