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In the interest of encouraging and recognizing outstanding academic achievement, a valedictorian and a salutatorian will be selected for each graduating class.

The district's valedictorian and salutatorian will be permitted to speak as part of the district's planned graduation program at the discretion of the building principal or designee. Titles and privileges granted to students designated as valedictorian or salutatorian may be denied and/or revoked for violation of Board policy, administration regulation or school rule.

The valedictorian and salutatorian will be selected according to the following procedure:

1. The valedictorian will be the student with the highest grade point average computed to the nearest thousandth, at the end of the seven semesters of high school work. Only classes taken in grades 9-12 will be used to calculate GPA;
2. The salutatorian will be the student with the second highest grade point average computed to the nearest thousandth, at the end of seven semesters of high school work. Only classes taken in grades 9-12 will be used to calculate GPA;
3. In case of a tie for valedictorian, co-valedictorians will be honored;
4. In case of a tie for salutatorian, co-salutatorians will be honored;
5. Foreign exchange students will not be considered in computing class rank and, therefore, will not be eligible for any academic honors;
6. To be eligible for valedictorian or salutatorian honors, a student must be enrolled at Imbler High School for three consecutive semesters. Starting with the second semester of their junior year and ending with the last semester of their senior year. Transcripts must be from an accredited high school to be considered for valedictorian or salutatorian awards;
7. A 4.0 will be considered as a perfect GPA, thus if more than one student achieves a 4.0 or higher, they will be recognized as co-valedictorians;
8. There could also be a tie for the second highest GPA. Therefore, if more than one student achieves a tie GPA, in this case, they would be recognized as co-salutatorians.

END OF POLICY

Legal Reference(s):

[ORS 332.107](#)

Shorb v. Grotting and Powers Sch. Dist., Case No. 00CV-0255 (Coos County Circuit Ct.) (2000).