

South Wasco County School District 1

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Class Rankings

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 may be permitted to speak as part of the district's planned graduation program at the discretion of the principal or designee. All speeches must be reviewed and approved in advance by the principal or designee. Titles and Privileges granted to students designated as valedictorian or salutatorian may be revoked for violation of Board policy, administrative 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 (3.5 or higher) as computed at the end of seven trimesters of high school work on an eight semester system. If no student meets the grade point criteria (3.5 or higher), there will be no Valedictorian.
2. The salutatorian will be the student with the second highest grade point average (3.5 or higher) as computed at the end of seven trimesters of high school work on an eight semester system. If no student meets the grade point criteria (3.5 or higher), there will be no Salutatorian.
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 will not be eligible for valedictorian or salutatorian honors;
6. To be eligible for valedictorian or salutatorian honors, a student must be enrolled at South Wasco County High School prior to and continuously following the 10th school day of the student's senior year.
7. For the purpose of valedictorian and salutatorian selection: any class taken for dual credit (high school and college) that is transferable to a four-year college or university and is available at South Wasco County High School will be "weighted."

Weighting will be A= 5 pts, B= 4 pts, C= 3 pts, D= 2 pts. A student may receive weighted credit for a class taken off campus as long as the class is available on campus in some format.

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).