

# MORGAN COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL

## POLICY FOR DETERMINING CLASS RANK AND HONOR STUDENT (Valedictorian and Salutatorian)

This policy will take effect beginning with the 2015 graduating class.

1. Class rank and selection of honor students will be determined through a class rank index using a calculation consisting of two components: Weighted GPA and ACT Composite Score.
2. GPA
  - In determining the points for a grade received, the following scales will apply:
    - i. Weighted Classes—A=5, B=4, C=3, D=2, F=0
    - ii. Regular Classes—A=4, B=3, C=2, D=1, F=0
  - The number of credits used in calculating a student's GPA will be based on the maximum number of credits each student will have been able to take after four complete years of high school during the regular school schedule.
3. ACT Composite Score
  - The ACT Composite Score will be the highest overall composite from a single testing session. (Subscores from different testing sessions will not be calculated.)
  - ACT scores on file as of May 1<sup>st</sup> of the year of graduation will be used in the class rank index calculation.
4. Class Rank Index Calculation
  - GPA with weighted credit for approved classes multiplied by 100.
  - ACT Composite Score multiplied by 10.
  - The sum of (GPA with weighted credit for approved classes multiplied by 100) and (ACT Composite Score multiplied by 10) will be the class rank index calculation.
  - The highest index calculation will be the valedictorian.
  - The second highest index calculation will be the salutatorian.

Example: Student GPA =  $3.9 \times 100 = 390$   
Student ACT =  $28 \times 10 = 280$   
Class Rank Index Score is  $390 + 280 = 670$