# Austintown Fitch Valedictorian Policy

To be considered for Valedictorian of the class, the following criteria must be met. The entire senior year must be spent at Fitch High School or approved courses on an approved college campus. All coursework must be taught by Fitch faculty or approved college faculty. The student must have the highest-grade point average available (4.0 GPA based on a 4.0 scale). The final grades of the senior year will be included in the GPA. The student must have taken "Honors"* level courses (or higher--AP or CCP) for subjects in which they are offered. Course retakes are not permitted for valedictorian candidates. The student must notify the guidance counselor in writing at the conclusion of the junior year that he/she intends to be a candidate. Students hoping to achieve valedictorian status may not utilize the credit/no record option with one exception--students wanting to be Valedictorian and are enrolled in AP classes (not required for graduation) and/or CCP Courses (not required for graduation requirements) may take ONE course CR/NR, as long as they remain enrolled in the College Credit Plus program and/or take the AP exams. All candidates must complete a minimum of 4 years in science. All candidates need to complete 3 years of a foreign language or 2 years of 2 different languages (total of 4 courses).

**VALEDICTORIAN COURSE OUTLINE:**

| Course | Credits | Level |
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| English | 4 | Honors/AP/CCP |
| Math | 4 | Honors/AP/CCP |
| Science | 4 | Honors/AP/CCP |
| Social Studies | 3 | Honors/AP/CCP |
| Global Languages | 3<br>-or-<br>4 | 3 Years of Same<br><br>2/2 Years of Same |