

REGULATION

GLEN RIDGE BOARD OF EDUCATION

R 5440 HONORING PUPIL ACHIEVEMENT

A. Honor Rolls

1. Honor Roll

Students on the honor roll must have a 3.00 grade point average and no "C's" in any subject.

2. High Honor Roll

Students on the high honor roll must have a 3.75 grade point average and no "C's" in any subject.

3. Each Principal, if appropriate, will display in his/her school the honor rolls listing pupils enrolled in that school.

B. Academic Awards

1. The pupil who has achieved the highest scholastic rank in the graduating class will be recognized as class valedictorian and will be presented with a medal at graduation.

2. The pupil who has achieved the second highest scholastic rank in the graduating class will be recognized as class salutatorian and will be presented with a medal at graduation.

3. All academic and co-curricular achievement(s) will be recognized when appropriate and available to the building Principal.

4. The following academic achievements will be recognized by the inscription of the pupil's name on a plaque permanently maintained and displayed:

a. Valedictorian

b. National Merit Scholars

5. The selection of pupils for academic recognition on a basis other than numerical ranking will be made by an awards committee comprised of teachers and administrators.

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- a. The committee will annually review all academic awards for their continuing relevance to the educational goals and objectives established by the Board of Education and will recommend to the Principal the removal and/or addition of awards.
 - b. The committee will establish and publish specific criteria for each academic award.
 - c. The committee will rigorously ensure that no pupil is denied an award or the opportunity to compete for an award on the basis of his/her race, color, creed, religion, national origin, ancestry, age, marital status, affectational or sexual orientation or sex, social or economic status, or disability in accordance with law and Policy No. 5750.
6. Academic awards offered by individuals and special interest organizations will be permitted subject to Policy No. 9700.

C. National Honor Society

Pupils who meet the admission qualifications established by the National Honor Society and the Glen Ridge Chapter will be elected to membership in the Society.

D. Co-curricular Awards

1. Recognitions will be made of individual pupils who have achieved distinction in co-curricular activities other than athletics.
2. Pupils who have been participating members of co-curricular organizations at least one year will be able to list them on the "school transcript".
3. Individual pupils selected to participate on one of the all-state organizations will be recognized.
4. The selection of pupils for co-curricular recognition on a basis other than their membership in an organization will be made by the activity advisor.
 - a. The advisor will annually review all co-curricular awards for their continuing relevance to the educational goals and objectives established by the Board of Education and will

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recommend to the Principal the removal and/or addition of awards.

b. The advisor will establish and publish specific criteria for each co-curricular award.

c. The advisor will rigorously ensure that no pupil is denied an award or the opportunity to compete for a co-curricular award on the basis of his/her race, color, creed, religion, national origin, ancestry, age, marital status, affectational or sexual orientation or sex, social or economic status, or disability, in accordance with law and Policy No. 5750.

5. Co-curricular awards offered by individuals and special interest organizations will be permitted subject to Policy No. 9700.

E. Additional Recognitions

Because it is not possible to anticipate the achievements of pupils in all areas of school and community life, all teaching staff members are directed to be alert to the outstanding accomplishments of pupils other than those listed in this regulation. Any such accomplishment should be reported to the Principal with a recommendation that the Board consider appropriate recognition of the pupil.

F. Presentations

1. Valedictorian, Salutatorian, and the Citizens Cup will be announced and presented at the high school graduation ceremony.

2. Award(s) will be announced and presented at an awards ceremony preceding graduation.

3. Honor rolls and awards, academic and co-curricular, will be released for publication in accordance with Policy No. 8330.

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