

345.52 - VALEDICTORIAN AND SALUTATORIAN AWARDS

Each year, a member of the senior class shall be determined to be the valedictorian and salutatorian of that senior class. The valedictorian shall be the student who has obtained the highest weighted grade point average according to the following guidelines. The salutatorian shall be the student who has obtained the second highest weighted grade point average as determined under the following guidelines.

1. The students must have attended Auburndale Senior High School for a minimum of three complete consecutive semesters prior to his/her senior year, which must be completed as a full-time student enrolled at Auburndale Senior High School.
2. Home schooled students that enroll at Auburndale Senior High School must have completed a program accredited by the State of Wisconsin DPI. The student must still meet the three consecutive semester guidelines as described above. Students will be enrolled in the appropriate courses/grade after completion of the Woodcock-Johnson test of achievement, third edition.
3. The highest weighted grade point average shall be determined by calculating semester grades in each course taken from first semester grade 9 through first semester grade 12. Transfer grades not accepted for credit will be omitted from the computation. All grades will be calculated using the Auburndale Senior High School grade point system.
4. If two or more students have the same weighted grade point average, calculated to the fourth decimal place, the following criteria shall be used to determine the valedictorian and/or salutatorian in this order.
 - a) The student with the higher (highest score on the American College Test (ACT) by the end of the seventh semester, shall be selected. If any of the students involved have taken the exam more than once, the highest composite score received, prior to the end of the seventh semester, will be used.
 - b) If a tie still exists, the student with the higher (highest) score on the Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT), by the end of the seventh semester, shall be selected. If any of the students involved have taken the exam more than once, the highest composite score received, prior to the end of the seventh semester, will be used.
 - c) If a tie still exists, the student who has earned the greater (greatest) number of credits shall be selected. A student's total credits shall be based on all approved courses taken for high school credit. For students transferring to the district, the credit total shall be determined by the guidance counselor's review of their transcript from the previous school or educational program at the time of the transfer.

- d) If a tie continues to exist, it shall be broken by a chance drawing of names. The first name drawn shall be the Valedictorian and the second name drawn shall be the Salutatorian.

Cross References: 345.11 - Student Evaluation, Grading, Class Rank, and Honor Roll

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