

Student Recognition

Both the valedictorian(s) and the salutatorian(s) must be in the Pateros High School Honors Program.

Running Start participants are also Pateros High School students. The grades received from the participating college will be used to determine the student's GPA. The final grades from the winter quarter of the senior year will be used to determine the final Pateros High School grade point average.

There may be multiple valedictorians/salutatorians provided they have the same GPA.

Students transferring from another school must meet the Honors criteria from Pateros High School to be considered for valedictorian or salutatorian.

Students may not use high school level correspondence courses or independent courses that are not considered honors at Pateros as an Honors class unless approved by the counselor

Valedictorian: The valedictorian shall be the senior student having maintained the highest cumulative grade point average (3.5 minimum on a 4.0 scale) from the date of the student's entrance into the ninth grade through the completion of the second semester of the student's senior year in an accredited high school. The student must have been a resident student of Pateros High School during the student's entire senior year. Exchange students are not eligible to be the valedictorian.

Salutatorian: The salutatorian is selected on the same basis as the valedictorian, except the salutatorian shall be the senior student having maintained the second highest cumulative grade point average from the date of the student's entrance into the ninth grade through the completion of the second semester of the student's senior year in an accredited high school. The student must have been a resident student of Pateros High School during the student's entire senior year. Exchange students are not eligible to be the salutatorian.

NOTE: There may be multiple valedictorians/salutatorians provided they have the same GPA. In the event of a tie for the valedictorian honor, there will be co-valedictorians and the next highest senior will be the salutatorian. In the event of a tie in the salutatorian honor, there will be co-salutatorians. The GPA will be determined to the hundredth place: example – 3.99. The highest GPA will be the valedictorian. The second highest the salutatorian.

The senior class valedictorian and salutatorian shall be notified of their class standings upon completion of their seventh semester in high school. Valedictorians and salutatorians will be advised of their final status no later than five (5) days before graduation.

Honor Cords: Each graduating senior whose cumulative grade point average is 3.3 or higher will be allowed to wear an honor cord on their graduation gown. Seniors so honored will be recognized for their accomplishments in the commencement program.

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