

North Bend School District 13

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Class Rankings

In the interest of encouraging and recognizing outstanding academic achievement, a valedictorian and a salutatorian will be selected for each graduating class.

The district's valedictorian and salutatorian may be permitted to speak as part of the district's planned graduation program at the discretion of the principal or designee. All speeches must be reviewed and approved in advance by the principal or designee. Titles and privileges granted to students designated as valedictorian or salutatorian may be denied and/or revoked for violations of Board policy, administrative regulations or school rule.

The valedictorian and salutatorian will be selected according to the following procedure:

1. The valedictorian will be the student with the ~~highest grade~~highest-grade point average as computed at the end of seven semesters or eleven trimesters of high school work or credit.
2. In case of a tie for valedictorian, co-valedictorians will be honored. Beginning with the class of 2026, if there is more than one valedictorian, no salutatorian will be selected.
3. In the event of one valedictorian, the salutatorian will be the student with the second highest grade point average as computed at the end of seven semesters or eleven trimesters of high school work or credit.
4. In case of a tie for salutatorian, co-salutatorians will be honored.
5. Foreign exchange students will not be considered in computing class rank; and, therefore, will not be eligible for any academic honors.
6. To be eligible for valedictorian or salutatorian honors, a student must be enrolled at North Bend High School prior to, and continuously following, the 10th school day of the student's senior year.

The selection criteria for valedictorian and salutatorian will include the following minimum standards:

1. Students must be on track to fulfill all "regular NBHS diploma" requirements by the end of ~~spring term~~ the second semester of their senior year.
2. Students must be on track to earn a minimum of ~~26 80~~ credits by the end of ~~spring term~~ the second semester of their senior year.
3. Students must have successfully completed a minimum of three years (~~9 3~~ credits) of mathematics curriculum.

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5. Students must have successfully completed a minimum of two years (6.2 credits) of a second language curriculum.
6. Students must successfully complete the Oregon State Assessment test with a score of 3 or above. The student must take all three exams in their junior year. If they do not pass any or all portions of the test in their junior year, they will be afforded the opportunity to take and pass any remaining portions of the test in their senior year. This will be required beginning with the graduating class of 2026.
7. Any student who enrolls into North Bend High School during their senior year and who qualifies as a valedictorian candidate must verify that they passed the state test in their previous school. If they have not, they will be required to pass all three portions of the Oregon State Assessment test during their senior year.
8. If a student enrolls who previously lived in another state, they must verify that they passed all portions of the state assessment given in their previous school to be eligible for consideration as a valedictorian. If they did not pass any or all Oregon equivalent portions of their state's assessment, they must take and pass the Oregon State Assessment in any or all portions of the examination they did not pass in their previous state.

END OF POLICY

Legal Reference(s):

[ORS 332.107](#)

[ORS 336.179](#)

Shorb v. Grotting and Powers Sch. Dist., Case No. 00 CV-0255 (Coos County Circuit Ct.) (2000).

Cross Reference(s):

IKFB - Graduation Exercises

