

**SUBJECT: RANK IN CLASS/VALEDICTORIAN AND SALUTATORIAN****Rank In Class**

Rank in class during grades 9 through 12 is a guidance tool that is part of the annual review held by a counselor with each student. Rank in class shall also be used to determine the Top 20 students in each 12<sup>th</sup> grade class.

The overall average that shows on the high school transcript and is used to determine rank in class is based on:

- a) All required English and social studies courses;
- b) All full year courses in science, mathematics and foreign language; and
- c) All failures will be included.

Final grades will be weighted as follows:

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| Advanced Placement and/or college level Courses | = 1.1   |
| Honors or Accelerated Courses                   | = 1.05  |
| Regents Courses                                 | = 1.025 |
| General Courses                                 | = 1.00  |
| Special Education Courses                       | = 1.00  |

**Valedictorian and Salutatorian**

The selection of the Valedictorian and Salutatorian will be made at the end of the second quarter of the senior year.

Utilizing the rank-in-class computation, the student with the highest overall average shall be designated Valedictorian, and the second highest shall be designated the Salutatorian.

To qualify as the Valedictorian or Salutatorian, the student must have attended Carle Place High School for a full seven semesters.

Any significant violation of the Code of Conduct may jeopardize a student's designation as Valedictorian or Salutatorian, regardless of class rank.

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