

# POLICY

## 5440 HONORING PUPIL ACHIEVEMENT

The Board of Education values excellence and wishes to inculcate in pupils the desire to do their best in all things.

The Board will recognize the outstanding achievements of pupils by means appropriate to the grade level of the pupil and to the nature of the accomplishment.

The Board will maintain membership in the National Honor Society.

In each high school graduating class, the pupil who has earned the highest rank shall be named valedictorian and the pupil who has earned the next highest rank shall be named salutatorian.

In the event the highest or next highest rank has been earned by two or more pupils, both or all the pupils who have tied for first or second place shall be named co-valedictorian or co-salutatorian, as the case may be.

The Superintendent shall develop regulations for the recognition of pupil achievement that establish fair standards for recognition, assure that all eligible pupils are offered an equal opportunity to meet those standards, and provide for appropriate recognition ceremonies and awards.

N.J.S.A. 18A:11-3

N.J.S.C. 6:39-1.6

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