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[See **POLICY ALERT No. 232**]

## R 5440 HONORING STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

### A. Honor Rolls

1. Students in grades 6-12 who distinguish themselves by high academic achievement will be listed on an honor roll at the end of each marking period. Two rolls will be published: honors and high honors.
  - a. The high honor roll will include all students who have achieved a grade of not less than B in all subjects in that marking period.
  - b. The honor roll will include all students who have a grade of B or better in all subjects, excluding those students named to the high honor roll in that marking period.
  - c. A student who has been given a grade of incomplete in any subject will be ineligible for an honor roll in that marking period.
  - d. A student who has dropped a course after the mid-point of the marking period will be ineligible for an honor roll in that marking period.
2. Students in grades 6-12 who have achieved academic distinction for the school year will be listed on an honor roll at the end of the school year. Two year-end rolls will be published: honors and high honors.
  - a. The high honor roll will include all students who have achieved a final grade of at least A in all subjects.
  - b. The honor roll will include all students who have a final grade of B or better in all subjects, excluding those students named to the high honor roll.



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- c. A student who has been given a final grade of incomplete in any subject will be ineligible for a year-end honor roll.
- d. A student who has dropped a course after the mid-point of the last marking period will be ineligible for a year-end honor roll.
3. The honor rolls will be prepared by the principal, who will review all report cards to ensure that all eligible students are listed.
4. Each Principal will display in **their** ~~his/her~~ school the honor rolls listing students enrolled in that school.

## B. Academic Awards

1. The student who has achieved the highest scholastic rank in the graduating class will be recognized as class valedictorian and will be presented with Certificate.
2. The student who has achieved the second highest scholastic rank in the graduating class will be recognized as class salutatorian and will be presented with Certificate.
3. ~~The following academic achievement(s) \_\_\_\_\_ will be recognized by the presentation of \_\_\_\_\_ (trophy, plaque, certificate, or other award).~~
4. The following academic achievements will be recognized by the inscription of the student's name on a plaque permanently maintained and displayed in the GHS Faculty Bowl.
5. The selection of students for academic recognition on a basis other than numerical ranking will be made by an awards committee comprised of administrators, counselors, and teachers ~~and~~ representatives \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_.



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- a. The committee will annually review all academic awards for their continuing relevance to the educational goals and objectives established by the Board of Education and will recommend to the **administrative** the removal and/or addition of awards.
  - b. The committee will establish and publish specific criteria for each academic award.
  - c. The committee will rigorously ensure that no student is denied an award or the opportunity to compete for an award on the basis of **the protected categories listed at N.J.A.C. 6A:7-1.1(a)** ~~his/her race, color, creed, religion, national origin, ancestry, age, marital status, affectational or sexual orientation or sex, social or economic status, or disability in accordance with law and Policy No. 5750.~~
6. Academic awards offered by individuals and special interest organizations will be permitted subject to Policy No. 9700.

## C. National Honor Societies

Students who meet the admission qualifications established by the National Honor Society and **the NHS, NAHS, Tri-M, ITS, theater and drama** Chapter will be elected to membership in the Society.

## D. Co-curricular Awards

1. ~~The following recognitions will be made of individual students who have achieved distinction in co-curricular activities other than athletics.~~

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2. ~~Students who have been participating members of the following organizations at least \_\_\_\_\_ (one semester,~~



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~~one half the school year, other) will be recognized by the presentation of the award designated:~~

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~~Organization Award (list specific plaque, certificate, etc.)~~

~~Band \_\_\_\_\_  
Orchestra \_\_\_\_\_  
Chorus \_\_\_\_\_  
School newspaper \_\_\_\_\_  
Chemistry team \_\_\_\_\_  
(other) \_\_\_\_\_~~

~~3. Individual students selected to participate on one of the following all-state organizations will be recognized by the presentation of~~

~~\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_.~~

~~4. The selection of students for co-curricular recognition on a basis other than their membership in an organization will be made by an awards committee comprised of \_\_\_\_\_ and representatives of \_\_\_\_\_.~~

~~a. The committee will annually review all co-curricular awards for their continuing relevance to the educational goals and objectives established by the Board of Education and will recommend to the \_\_\_\_\_ the removal and/or addition of awards.~~

~~b. The committee will establish and publish specific criteria for each co-curricular award.~~

~~c. The committee will rigorously ensure that no student is denied an award or the opportunity to compete for a co-curricular award on the basis of **any of the protected categories listed at N.J.A.C. 6A:7-1.1(a)** his/her race, color, creed, religion, national origin, ancestry, age, marital status, affectational or sexual orientation or sex, social or economic status, or disability, in accordance with law and Policy No. 5750.~~



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~~5. Co-curricular awards offered by individuals and special interest organizations will be permitted subject to Policy No. 9700.~~

## E. Additional Recognitions

Because it is not possible to anticipate the achievements of students in all areas of school and community life, all teaching staff members are directed to be alert to the outstanding accomplishments of students other than those listed in this regulation. Any such accomplishment should be reported to the **building administration** with a recommendation that the Board consider appropriate recognition of the student.

## F. Presentations

1. The following award(s) **Faculty Bowl** will be announced and presented at the high school graduation ceremony.

~~2. The following award(s) \_\_\_\_\_ will be announced and presented at an awards ceremony preceding graduation.~~

~~3. The following award(s) \_\_\_\_\_ will be announced and presented at the annual \_\_\_\_\_ dinner.~~

~~4. Honor rolls and awards, academic and co-curricular, will be released for publication in accordance with Policy No. 8330.~~

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