

KEYSTONE OAKS SCHOOL DISTRICT

# Policy Guide



Policy No. 214

Section PUPILS

Title CLASS RANK/  
GRADUATION HONORS

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<b>POLICY NO. 214 CLASS RANK/GRADUATION HONORS</b>	
<b>Section 1</b>	<p><b><u>Purpose</u></b></p> <p>The Board acknowledges the usefulness for a system of computing quality point averages for secondary school students to inform students, parents/guardians and others of their relative academic placement.</p>
<b>Section 2</b>	<p><b><u>Authority</u></b></p> <p><i>For the Senior Classes of 2020 and beyond:</i></p> <p>Class rank will be calculated for internal purposes only and will not be placed on student transcripts. Class rank will be made available only for scholarship applications or other entities/institutions that stipulate that class rank is required and will not be accepted without this information. Class rank will be determined using the weighted GPA and by limiting the calculations of grade point averages to two decimal places.</p>
<b>Section 3</b>	<p><b><u>Guidelines</u></b></p> <p>Quality points shall be awarded for each course according to Board Policy 127 – Assessment System based on the student’s final grade, the academic level, and the number of credits of the course.</p>

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*For the Senior Classes of 2020, 2021 and 2022:*

Students shall be ranked for Commencement proceedings in order from highest to lowest according to quality point averages.

Any two (2) or more students whose computed quality point averages are identical shall be given the same rank. The rank of a student who immediately follows a tied position will be determined by the number of students preceding him or her and not by the rank of the person preceding him or her. For instance, if three students are tied for number one, the next student is ranked number 4.

*For the Senior Class of 2023 and beyond:*

Students shall be categorized according to the following:

Honors           3.50-3.74  
High Honors   3.75+  
Distinguished Graduate 4.01+ other criteria

Distinguished Graduate

Additional criteria to be a Distinguished Graduate include: One-hundred (100) or more hours of community service, according to District guidelines; a leadership position within the school or community; and less than four unexcused tardies and three unexcused absences.

Distinguished graduate(s) will be selected through a Committee to speak at Commencement, along with the class president.

**Section 4**

**Delegation of Responsibility**

The Superintendent or designee shall develop procedures for the computation of quality point averages to implement this policy and procedures for selection of a Distinguished graduate(s) to speak at Commencement.

22 PA Code 4.24

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References:

State Board of Education Regulations – 22 PA Code Sec. 4.24

Board Policy – 127

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