Identifying and honoring the graduates with the highest grade point averages (GPA) at the conclusion of each year is an important public school tradition and is so recognized by the Wheatland Union High School District.

The graduating senior with the highest GPA, as determined by the criteria set forth below, will be the Class Valedictorian. The graduating senior with the second-highest GPA will be the Class Salutatorian.

The procedure for identifying these graduates is described in this policy and is intended to provide the structure for the selection process.

The following requirements are the criteria to be observed in determining these graduates:

1. The GPA will be computed at the end of the 1st semester of the senior year;

2. The GPA computed for this purpose will include all subjects.

3. To be considered for these honors, a graduate must have enrolled in Wheatland Union High School by the end of the first quarter of the senior year;

4. In order to ensure a fair determination of the valedictorian/salutatorian selection, only Honors English classes and Advanced Placement classes will be weighted as follows: A = 5 grade points, B = 4 grade points, etc. This process will be utilized for all students including transfers;

5. In case of a tie, the position will be shared.