

5.17—HONOR ROLL AND HONOR GRADUATES

HONOR ROLL

Students in grades kindergarten through grade six (K-6) who maintain a Level 3 or Level 4 for the grading period will be recognized as honor roll students for that grading period. Semester grades will determine the honor roll at the end of each semester.

Students in grades seven through twelve (7-12) who maintain a 3.0 GPA for the grading period will be recognized as honor roll students for that grading period. Semester grades will determine the honor roll at the end of each semester.

2027 HONOR GRADUATES- VALEDICTORIAN AND SALUTATORIAN

2027 Honor Graduates - Valedictorian and Salutatorian

An honor graduate may be designated as Valedictorian or Salutatorian if he/she meets the following additional requirements:

1. The Valedictorian will be a student with the highest honor designation who graduates with the highest cumulative GPA and the Salutatorian will be a student with the highest honor designation who graduates with the second highest GPA. In the event that there is not a student who received the designation of highest honors, a student with high honors with the highest adjusted cumulative GPA will be selected for Valedictorian and the second highest adjusted cumulative GPA for Salutatorian.
2. Grades in concurrent education courses which are taken to fulfill a student's graduation requirements will be included in the adjusted GPA.
3. The student has been enrolled in Cutter Morning Star in grades 9 through 12, and completed 8th grade Algebra 1, or Physical Science.

CMS will utilize the following method for calculating GPA:

Class Rank is based on the calculation of the GPA mandated by the Arkansas Department of Education and college reporting. This method uses a 4.0 credit for all courses except for Advanced Placement courses and other state designated courses that are weighted on a 5.0 scale.

Courses not counting for credit will not be counted in the GPA.

Class of 2027 Honor Graduation Requirements

Students who have completed the minimum core of courses recommended for preparation for college as defined by the State Board of Higher Education and the State Board of Education and have a cumulative GPA of 3.0 will be designated as honor students. The GPA shall be derived from courses taken in public schools in grades nine (9) through twelve (12).

Highest Honors – Students who complete 3 Advanced Placement Courses/Concurrent College Credit Courses and have a cumulative 4.0 GPA

High Honors – Students who complete 2 Advanced Placement Courses/Concurrent College Credit Courses and have a cumulative 3.5 GPA

Honors – Students who complete 1 Advanced Placement Course/Concurrent College Credit Course and have a cumulative 3.0 GPA

Parents or guardians of a student, or a student eighteen (18) years of age or older, who choose to not have the student publicly identified as an honor roll or honor graduate student must submit a written request that the student not be so identified.

Legal References: A.C.A. § 6-18-101 (a) (1)
 A.C.A. § 6-18-101 (a) (2)
 A.C.A. § 6-18-101 (b)
 A.C.A. § 6-18-101(e)
 A.C.A. § 6-61-217(a)

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