

GRADUATION CEREMONIES AND ACTIVITIES

Recognition of Valedictorian(s) and Salutatorian(s)

To honor superior academic achievement, graduation ceremonies may include recognition of Valedictorian(s) and Salutatorian(s). Valedictorian and Salutatorian candidacy is based on the following criteria:

1. Attendance at a Vacaville Unified School District high school for a minimum of two years (11th through 12th grade)
2. Attendance in the six-period, on-campus school day each semester, or a combination of on campus and dual enrollment courses for high school graduation and/or a-g requirements.
3. The weighted GPA:
 - a. The GPA will not include courses outside periods 1 through 6 or college courses not required for high school graduation and/or a-g requirements.
 - b. The GPA will contain a maximum of sixteen Advanced Placement (AP) semester courses. Should a student complete more than Advanced Placement (AP) semester courses, the most recent sixteen will be included as weighted for GPA purposes
4. (For Classes 2023 & 2024) The student with the highest overall GPA will automatically qualify as a Valedictorian.
5. For Classes 2025 and beyond) Students with a weighted GPA of 4.33 or higher will automatically qualify as a Valedictorian.

Buckingham Collegiate Charter Academy (BCCA) does not recognize Valedictorian status as part of graduation ceremonies, but following the submission of final grades the senior with the top total GPA has to claim the number one ranking in their senior class.

All high school courses, regardless of the institution, will be used to calculate the student's total GPA. College classes taken that are not used to meet high school graduation requirements may not be included on the high school transcript nor included in the calculation of GPA.

Students

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(cf. 5126 – Awards for Achievement)

(cf. 5121 – Grades/Evaluation of Student Achievement)

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