Richfield High School will select Valedictorian and Salutatorian based on the following criteria: Academic achievement focusing on GPA, and rigor of courses taken, and national performance based on ACT exam.

- 1. All candidates must be:
 - a. Ranked in the top 5% of graduating class, 2nd Friday of May of 12th grade year.
 - b. A Full time student at RHS both 11th and 12th grades. (No more than one pass/fail class per semester)
- 2. Class rank will be determined using the following formula:
 - a. GPA x 846
 - b. Highest composite ACT x 4
 - c. 12 points for each college level course completed during the 10 period day. This includes concurrent enrollment/AP courses as well as any college course included on High School transcript.
 - i. A minimum of 4 courses are required
 - ii. A maximum of 6 courses will be calculated.
 - iii. 4 of the 6 calculated classes must be RHS courses listed below
 - 1. CE Human Biology
 - 2. CE PreCalc/Trig
 - 3. CE English
 - 4. CE Calculus
 - 5. CE Spanish 1020
 - 6. CE Government
 - 7. CE Accounting
 - 8. CE Chemistry
 - 9. CE Medical Terminology
 - 10. CE EMT

Baseline:

GPA 4.0 x 846 = 3384 - 95% ACT 36 x 4 = 144 - 4% CE 6 x 12 = 72 - 1% 3600

3600/5 = 720

- d. Divide the sum of a-c by 720 (creates a 5.0 GPA)
- 3. The student with highest total Academic points rounded to the nearest 100th will be named the valedictorian. The student with the second highest Academic points rounded to the nearest 100th will be named the salutatorian. If two or more competing students have equal and highest scores following the tallying of points to the nearest 100th, each will be honored as co-valedictorians. If two or more competing students have equal and the second highest scores following the tallying of points to the nearest 100th each will be honored as co-salutatorians.
- 4. *Students must be in good standing in academics, as well as citizenship. The Administration reserves the right to eliminate candidates based on poor attendance and/or violations of school or district policies.
- 5. All 4.0 GPA students will sit on the stand throughout commencement and be recognized for their academic achievements regardless of their point standings.
- 6. A maximum of 2 valedictorians and 2 salutatorians will speak at commencement. If more than 2 qualify, then lots will be drawn to determine the speakers.