

It is the policy of this district to have two (2) or more graduating seniors address the other participants and audience at the commencement ceremony. The student speakers will be selected as follows:

1. *The class valedictorian(s), determined at the end of the first semester of the senior year, will speak. If there are more than two (2) valedictorians, the senior class will vote to select two (2) of the valedictorians as speakers.*
2. *If there is only one (1) class valedictorian, the valedictorian and the salutatorian, determined at the end of the first semester of the senior year, will speak. If there is more than one (1) salutatorian, the senior class will vote to select one (1) of the salutatorians to speak.*

The student speakers may deliver a personal address of any nature so long as it is appropriate for the circumstances and is not disruptive to the ceremony. The school principal and senior class advisor may establish time periods to limit the length of the student's presentation. .



LEGAL REFERENCE:

Doe v. Madison School Dist. No. 321, 177 F.3d 789 (9th Cir. 1999)
Santa Fe Independent School Dist. v. Doe, 530 U.S. 290, 120 S. Ct. 2266 (2000)
Alder v. Duval County School Bd., 250 F.3d 1330 (11th Cir. 2001)

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