## State Honors

Students who score at or above all the subject area readiness benchmarks on the ACT or equivalent score on the SAT will graduate with state honors. See benchmarks below:

ACT Subject Test	The ACT® Benchmark
English	18
Mathematics	22
Reading	22
Science	23

## State Distinction

- Students will be recognized as graduating with state distinction by attaining a B average and completing one of the following:
  - o Earn a nationally recognized industry certification.
  - o Participate in at least one of the Governor's Schools.
  - o Participate in one of the state's All State musical organizations.
  - o Be selected as a National Merit Finalist or Semi-Finalist.
  - o Attain a score of 31 or higher composite score on the ACT.
  - Attain a score of 3 or higher on at least two AP exams.
  - Successfully complete the International Baccalaureate Diploma Program.
  - Earn 12 or more semester hours of transcripted postsecondary credit.

## Grainger County Schools Valedictorian Policy

Any student who maintains a 4.0 GPA throughout their high school career (8<sup>th</sup> semester GPA), a minimum super score of 20 on the ACT, and earns the minimum course credits as required by the Tennessee Department of Education will be named a class valedictorian.