

DEERFIELD COMMUNITY

CODE: 461

SCHOOL DISTRICT

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STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP
ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

The Academic Scholarship Program as established by the State of Wisconsin is designed to provide tuition and fee scholarships to Wisconsin's top high school scholars. The object of this program is to help insure that a great number of valedictorians of Wisconsin high schools continue their education in post-secondary institutions within the State of Wisconsin.

Annually by February 15, the school board of each school district operating one or more high schools and the governing body of each private high school shall name the 12th grade pupil in each high school who has the highest grade point average in all subjects as eligible to receive a higher education scholarship. If two or more pupils in the same high school have the same grade point average, the school board shall select the pupil eligible for the scholarship.

For the purpose of this scholarship, grade point averages (GPA) will determine student eligibility. The GPA shall include the same number of places past the decimal that the high school normally uses on the official high school transcript. Only grades from a public school or a private school approved by the State Superintendent pursuant to Sec. 118.165, Stats., will be considered in determining the GPA. Grades received from a school located out of state must either be from a public school or a private school approved by the state's Department of Public Instruction.

If a student has not attended Deerfield High School for a minimum of four (4) consecutive semesters, prior to the selection date, the student is not eligible for the scholarship.

In case there is a tie, the school board will use the following criteria to break said tie:

1. If one of the students is not attending a school within the State, the student who is attending a State institution is declared the winner.
2. The student having the highest composite score on the ACT test after seven semesters.
3. All other criteria being equal, a coin will be tossed to declare the scholarship winner.

The Deerfield School District does not discriminate against pupils on the basis of sex, race, religion, national origin, ancestry, creed, pregnancy, marital or parental status, sexual orientation, or physical, mental, emotional, or learning disability or handicap in its educational programs or activities.