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MEC O R D E R
No. 31, s. 1981

REVISIONS AND CLARIFICATIONS ON MEC ORDER
NO. 1, S. 1979 ENTITLED "SELECTION OF HONOR
STUDENTS IN THE SECONDARY SCHOOLS"

To: Bureau Directors
Regional Directors
Chiefs of Services and Heads of Units
Schools Superintendents
Presidents, State Colleges and Universities
Heads of Private Schools, Colleges and Universities
Vocational Schools Superintendents/Administrators

1. To improve and clarify some provisions of MEC Order No. 1, s. 1979 entitled "Selection of Honor Students in the Secondary Schools", the following revisions and clarifications are being issued:

- a. Guideline No. 2 is being revised to read "There shall be one valedictorian and one salutatorian for each graduating class. However, in case of a tie between two candidates, both may be declared valedictorians or salutatorians.
- b. Guideline No. 4-a means that the student has not received any grade lower than 80 as recorded in his Form 137 and 138-A for the four grading periods of his third and fourth years in the high school.

Teachers, students, and parents must be informed about this at the beginning of the school year to avoid having students disqualified from getting honors because of one grade below 80 at any grading period within the two years.

- c. Guideline No. 5-b should include literary-musical activities, hence the third and fourth lines of the paragraph shall read ". . . including active participation in student organizations or clubs, literary-musical activities, athletics . . ."

The teachers and school administrators should agree on a system of rating the different items mentioned in the paragraph and information on this system should be circulated to all the students and parents at the beginning of the school year.

2. The ranking of students for the selection of those who will be awarded honors should be based on weighted rank. The computation of General Weight Rank is given in the inclosure to this Order.

3. The above revisions shall be implemented in school year 1981-1982. Administrators, teachers, parents and students must be given orientation on the above revisions and clarifications at the beginning of the school year.

4. It is desired that this Order be immediately disseminated to all those concerned.

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Incl.: As stated

Reference: MEC Order: (No. 1, s. 1979)

Allotment: 1-2-3-4--(D.O. 1-76)

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(Inclosure to MEC Order No. 31, s. 1981)

Computation of General Weighted Rank

1. For Scholarship.

- a. Compute general average of combined third and fourth years' average of the candidates;
- b. Rank all the candidates according to this average; and
- c. Assign weight to the rank by multiplying it by 7.

2. For co-curricular activities

- a. Same as for 1-a; and
- b. Assign weight to the rank by multiplying it by 2.

3. For general weighted rank

Add weighted rank for 1 and 2 rank from lowest to highest scores to get the first and succeeding ranks.