

## **Honors and Distinction/Rank Fact Sheet**

On May 12, 2009, the SCCSSD Board of Education approved the following guidelines and procedures for recognizing seniors and calculating rank in alignment with the Tennessee Diploma Project.

### **Honors**

Students who score at or above all of the subject area readiness benchmarks on the ACT will graduate with honors. Benchmark scores: English 18, Social Studies/Reading 21, Math 22, and Science 24.

### **Distinction**

Students will be recognized as graduating with “distinction” by attaining a B average and completing at least one of the following:

- Earn a nationally recognized industry certification
- Participate in at least one of the Governor’s Schools
- Participate in one of the state’s All State musical organization
- Be selected as a National Merit Finalist or Semi-Finalist
- Attain a score of 31 or higher composite score on the ACT
- Earn 12 or more semester hours of transcribed post secondary credit

Classes 2011 and 2012 will earn local status only; state status begins with the class of 2013.

### **Rank**

Students graduating with distinction will be given priority when senior class rank is calculated.