Shealyn Doody has been named the Valedictorian of the Class of 2015. Shealyn had a 99.679 GPA through seven semesters at Red Jacket. She is currently in the BOCES New Visions Medical program and hopes to one day be a doctor. While in High School, Shealyn has taken eight AP classes and two Gemini classes. Shealyn applied to the University of Vermont, University of Rochester, SUNY Binghamton, and Boston University, but has not yet made an official decision. Shealyn has made it to the State Championships in both Track and Cross Country and has also received the Jazz Award for her saxophone playing. Shealyn attributes her success to hard work and taking advantage of all the resources teachers give students. She also says that having outlets in sports and music have helped her to prioritize her time. Shealyn would like to thank Mrs. May for encouraging her to take AP Calculus and for following up on her progress since that class. She would also like to thank Mr. Schaertl for testing her limits in both AP Physics and track. She also thanks Mr. Ott for his insight on her future goals. Shealyn would like to thank her parents who let her do her own thing and be independent. Shealyn challenges incoming students to set goals upon entry to high school, as she did when she challenged herself to become the Valedictorian as an incoming freshman.
Colin Clark is the Salutatorian of the Red Jacket Class of 2015. Colin had a GPA of 95.414 through seven semesters. Colin has taken six AP classes, three Gemini classes, and is currently enrolled in the Early Scholars program at FLCC. Colin has been involved in Boy Scouts since first grade and has recently attained the rank of Eagle Scout. Last summer, Colin was also a representative at Boys’ State. He has also volunteered at DEC Camp Colby at Saranac Lake. On his academic success, Colin says that scouting really taught him to be responsible for his actions. He also says that his parents really helped him by setting up a routine for his homework. He learned that his work gets done first; he even finishes his homework for the weekend on Friday night instead of putting it off. He would also like to thank Mr. Smith, who helped him with his Service Learning Project. “He kept on me and made sure that I was following through with it.” He would also like to thank his 6th grade teacher, Mrs. Benjamin, for “making learning fun.” Colin advises incoming students to, “stay organized and make sure you do all your work. You might not want to do it, but it will help you in the long run. Strive to do the best you can in school. It will pay off later.” Colin plans to attend either FLCC or Paul Smith and pursue a degree in Fisheries and Wild Life Science, with the goal of being an environmental conservation officer, a fisheries technician, or a biologist.

Both students will present addresses at graduation on June 27, 2015, at 7:00 PM in the Red Jacket auditorium.