

Eastern Regional High School

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GRADUATION PROCEDURES

May 9, 2019

Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s):

In a short while, your son or daughter will pass an important milestone in life; graduation marks the end of high school and the commencement of a hopeful future. More importantly, graduation marks achievement. It is a ceremony of honor and recognition that links your child to the past and to the future. It is also a proud public announcement that those who are receiving diplomas have earned the rights and privileges due a high school graduate. We are extremely proud of our graduating seniors, and will do everything possible to make the ceremony a dignified and honorable event, filled with memories you and they will treasure.

The following guidelines will provide you with information relevant to the ceremony:

Commencement: 3:00 p.m., Tuesday, June 18, 2019 in the stadium; student arrival 2:00 p.m.; admission by ticket only for all guests. Performing Arts Center seating will be available for those experiencing difficulty with extremely hot weather.

Please be advised that in the event of inclement weather the graduation ceremony will be held in Gymnasium #4 with additional seating for guests in the Performing Arts Center, on a first come, first served basis.

Tickets: Each graduate will receive seven (7) tickets, two (2) grey and five (5) vanilla for use in the stadium. If the ceremony is held indoors, then the grey tickets will allow admission into the gymnasium, and the vanilla tickets will allow admission into the auditorium.

All requests for additional stadium tickets must be made by visiting the Eastern Regional High School website. ***Click on Parents & Students tab, Graduation, Ticket Request Form, fill out form and hit the SUBMIT button.*** A request will be sent to my office. All requests must be received by the close of school on **Friday, June 7, 2019.**

It is our intention to use stands on both sides of the field for seating. Please be sure to check with your child, prior to arriving at the graduation ceremony, to determine on which side of the field he/she will be sitting.

NO TICKETS WILL BE ISSUED UNLESS ALL FINES, ATTENDANCE AND ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS HAVE BEEN CLEARED. PAYMENT MUST BE MADE BY CASH, MONEY ORDER OR BANK CHECK. PERSONAL CHECKS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.

All tickets will be distributed immediately following graduation practice.

Cap & Gown Distribution: Distribution of caps and gowns will take place immediately following graduation practice. Students must have fulfilled all academic and attendance requirements, as well as fines, to receive a cap and gown and tickets.

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Practice: Tuesday, June 18, 2019, from 7:55 a.m. until 12:30 p.m., in the stadium. Students who do not participate in this practice, **will not** be permitted to participate in the graduation ceremony.

Expected Dress: Students are required to wear semi-formal attire for the graduation ceremony. Examples of such attire include dresses, slacks, collared shirts and a tie.

Jeans, sandals, sneakers, sweat attire, flip flops, corsages, and flowers are **not permitted**.

Please Note: The Administration will have the final decision regarding attire, and has the authority to deny participation due to inappropriate attire.

Handicapped Seating: All requests for the Handicapped Seating Section Passes must be made by visiting the Eastern Regional High School website. **Click on Parents & Students tab, Graduation, Handicapped Seating Section, fill out form and hit the SUBMIT button.** All requests must be received by the close of school on **Friday, June 7, 2019.** Handicapped passes are extremely limited. We encourage only requesting the number of passes needed for those who are handicapped, with one additional seat for their caregiver/family member. **These passes are considered part of your allotted ticket amount. Only those with state-issued handicapped placards will be allowed to park in the rear parking lot, which will be open at 1:00 pm for graduation arrivals.**

Non-Participation: Notification, in writing, must be provided to me, should a student choose not to participate in the ceremony.

Senior Obligations: Seniors with outstanding financial obligations **must reconcile these obligations before tickets, diplomas and cap and gowns are issued.** Encourage your child to check on his/her obligations with the secretaries in the 600 office.

Project Graduation: We are celebrating our annual Project Graduation event, an all night post-graduation drug and alcohol free party. Please encourage your graduate to participate. We would also ask that at parties held before or after graduation, you refrain from serving alcohol to minors. Let us not mar this joyous occasion with a tragic accident.

Also, be reminded that information regarding scholarship/awards will be included with the Commencement Program.

Finally, we ask all guests to arrive prior to the start of the processional (2:45 p.m.), and to remain in their seats for the conclusion of the program. We also ask that respect be shown for all graduates from the stands.

As your principal, it has been a great pleasure for me to work with the Class of 2019. Thank you for your support. I look forward to sharing graduation with you.

Sincerely,



Dr. Robert M. Tull, Jr., Principal
c: Dr. H. Melleby, Superintendent

Enclosures