

GRADUATION NEWSLETTER MAY 2019

FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS MUST BE PAID BY MAY 17. FAILURE TO PAY FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS WILL PROHIBIT YOU FROM PARTICIPATING IN THE GRADUATION PRACTICE. YOU WILL NOT BE ABLE TO PAY THEM AT PRACTICE.

YOU ARE RECEIVING REQUEST FORMS FOR EXTRA GRADUATION TICKETS TODAY. PLEASE READ AND FOLLOW THE INSTRUCTIONS TO REQUEST ADDITIONAL TICKETS. THESE FORMS MUST BE GIVEN TO MRS. CULVER IN ROOM 103 NO LATER THAN MAY 24.

Important dates and information

- **Mid-May:** potential honor graduates will receive individual instructions regarding honors regalia
- **May 29 and 30:** lunches – cap and gown delivery – bring any unpaid balance in cash

YOU MUST PRACTICE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE GRADUATION CEREMONY!!!!!!!

- **June 12: 10:30 am in the gym for individual pictures – OPTIONAL** - you will receive a flyer with pricing at a later date – honors/IB/AVID items will be provided for the picture
- **June 12: Graduation practice at 1:30 pm.** Be in the gymnasium at that time. Do not bring food, drinks, or guests. Dress within the school dress code. Do not wander the building. Cell phones must be OFF. Prepare to stay until you are released.
We will practice until it is RIGHT!

CELL PHONES MUST BE OFF AND NOT USED DURING GRADUATION PRACTICE. USING YOUR PHONE DURING PRACTICE MAY CAUSE YOU TO LOSE THE PRIVILEGE OF PARTICIPATING IN GRADUATION.

- **June 13: GRADUATION DAY!** Be in the gym **NO LATER THAN 4:15.** We will take the class picture at 4:30. If you wish to purchase a class picture, you must have your money with you at that time. When you arrive, be dressed in your cap and gown and ready for graduation. Do not bring guests, food, drinks, purses, cell phones, or ANYTHING ELSE. No smart watches. You will walk through a metal detector. Cell phones and other items will be confiscated, and you will have to make arrangements to retrieve those items the week after graduation.
We will depart for ODU at 6:00 pm.
Graduation begins at 7:30.

YOU MUST RIDE THE BUS TO THE CONSTANT CENTER FOR THE GRADUATION CEREMONY. TRANSPORTATION BACK TO OSCAR SMITH AFTER GRADUATION IS NOT PROVIDED.

Join the graduation REMIND account and get important text reminders about graduation information!

Text @smith-grad to 81010

ACCEPTABLE ATTIRE FOR GRADUATES

OPTION A:

Black dress pants, collared white dress shirt, necktie, black dress shoes, blue cap and gown

OPTION B:

Black dress pants, white blouse, black dress shoes, blue cap and gown

OPTION C:

Solid colored dress (must meet school dress code), black dress shoes, blue cap and gown

GRADUATES MAY CHOOSE OPTION A, OPTION B, OR OPTION C.

Special notes:

Dresses must be no more than 3 inches above the knee and must not hang below the bottom of the graduation gown. Dresses should have sleeves or straps that are at least 2 inches wide.

Shoes must be dress shoes – no canvas, etc. Shoes must be closed-toe and must have a back.

**JEWELRY SHOULD BE VERY SIMPLE – NOT DISTRACTING FROM YOUR APPEARANCE!!!
NO DENTAL JEWELRY!!!**

CAPS WILL BE WORN PARALLEL TO THE FLOOR. ANYONE NOT DRESSED PROPERLY WILL FORFEIT HIS/HER PRIVILEGE OF PARTICIPATING IN THE GRADUATION CEREMONY.

IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT THE DRESS CODE FOR GRADUATION, PLEASE SEE MRS. CULVER IN ROOM 103