

HHS Class of 2020

Commencement Ceremony Guidelines

Friday, July 31st at 7:30PM at the HHS Stadium

- Rain Date is August 1st at 8:30 a.m. at the HHS Stadium -

Actions and Items that ARE ALLOWED

- ✓ Tastefully decorated caps
- ✓ Sealed water/Gatorade bottles
- ✓ Vehicle decorations
- ✓ Window paint on private vehicles
- ✓ Happy faces
- ✓ Cheering
- ✓ Waving

Actions and Items that are NOT ALLOWED

- X No alcohol, tobacco, vaping, drugs, pets, fireworks, or weapons
- X Streamers, silly string, smoke, inflatable objects, or water toys
- X Approaching other graduates and families during the ceremony
- X Congregating or group gatherings before or after the ceremony
- X Leaving prior to conclusion of the ceremony.

Dress Code for the Ceremony

- Graduates can walk in carrying their gown as we know it will be hotter than normal outside.
- Graduates should wear school appropriate clothing underneath their gowns. Typically, we would ask young men to wear a shirt and tie but it will be hot. In this case, we suggest a t-shirt with sleeves (no tank tops) or polo shirt with a collar. We also ask that young men wear pants because it looks better with a gown on, but pants, jeans, shorts are all acceptable. We would also encourage comfortable shoes. Typically, we would ask young ladies to wear a dress, skirt, or pants. In this case, you are welcome to wear shorts or jeans. We would also encourage comfortable shoes (you will be walking in grass and that is difficult in heels).
- Caps can be decorated, however, if the message is offensive in any way, it will be taken prior to the ceremony.

Pre-Ceremony Preparation, Parking, & Arrival

- Please arrive at the HHS Stadium beginning at 7:00PM.
- Please go to the restroom prior to coming to the ceremony.
- Please bring your cell phone and cameras to take pictures.
- Please bring sealed bottled water, juice, Gatorade/Powerade, soda. Reusable containers will not be permitted.
- Please leave bags in cars. No bags or backpacks of any kind will be permitted.
- Please park DO NOT park in circle in front of school, as those spots will be reserved for staff.
- Upon arrival, you will enter through the ticket booth gates according to your last name.
- Your entire party (graduate and two guests) MUST be present in order to be seated. You will be asked to go to the end of the line if your entire party is not present.

- Students and their two guests must have masks on when entering.
- You will be given an index card and pencil upon entering. Please write your name as clearly and neatly as possible so our staff is able to read your name correctly as you walk across the stage.
- Please practice Social Distancing as you enter the HHS Stadium and wait to be escorted to your seats

Commencement Ceremony Expectations

- The Commencement Ceremony will start at 7:30PM and end at approximately 8:30PM.
- The ceremony will consist of speeches, awards, reading of names, and the turning of tassels.
- Please remain in your seat until you are directed to and then return to your seat afterward, maintaining social distancing expectations.
- Graduates and their guests will not be allowed to congregate following the ceremony.
- Graduates and their guests will exit campus at the conclusion of ceremony via the gates that they entered to maintain CDC guidelines.
- The ceremony will be live streamed on the HHS Facebook Page however, we encourage families to do their own livestream in the event our connection is not working properly.

Protocols for Walking Across the Stage

- Graduates should wear their masks as they approach the stage.
- Bring your Walk Card with your name on it so that the readers can pronounce it correctly.
- Please hand the reader the card.
- If necessary, please say your name to the reader so that it is pronounced correctly.
- As you walk across the stage, you may remove your mask for pictures.
- Do not approach any administration, faculty, and staff members who are on the stage. Please maintain social distancing.
- Please take the diploma cover from the table.
- Hold it in front of you so that you can have your picture taken. During the ceremony, Leonards will be on-site to take pictures (candid and diploma cover). Their website and link will be posted on our website and social media for families who would like to purchase photos. Parents will have opportunities during the ceremony to take pictures as well (with respect to the ceremony).
- Return to your seat following pictures and remain there for the remainder of the ceremony.

Congratulations, HHS Class of 2020!

Share your pictures and videos on Twitter and Instagram! #CobraGrad2020