

**DO NOT LOSE**

**SENIOR CALENDAR  
2017**

**ATTENTION:** *This calendar is made for your convenience to answer questions about senior activities. DO NOT call or have mothers call asking questions which are answered on this calendar. DO NOT expect to have answered any information that is on this sheet (either by phone or in person).*

**SENIOR ASSEMBLIES**

**May 12<sup>th</sup>** – Scholarship Presentation/Awards @ 9:00 am

**May 16<sup>th</sup>** – Subject Awards beginning approximately 10:15 am (3rd period)

**May 18<sup>th</sup>** – Orange County Top 10% luncheon (approx. 11-1)

**CORDS**

**April 26 – May 5** If you wish to have recognition of your diploma status at graduation you may purchase a **gold** cord for the **Recommended** diploma or a **red** cord for the **Distinguished** diploma. You will wear this cord at graduation. However, you must purchase the cord now so that it can be ordered and be here in time for graduation. You can pay \$10.00 to Mrs. Courts in Room 101. We do not loan any out, so if you want one you will need to purchase it or borrow from someone you know. *Cords may be picked up the week of May 22-25. (they may be in earlier. listen for announcements)*

**HONOR DRAPES**

**May 8-12** HONOR DRAPES FOR CUM LAUDE AND MAGNA CUM LAUDE GRADUATES are issued by Mrs. Courts in Room 101. **These must be returned to K. Courts or C. VanDevender** after graduation if you do not purchase one.

If you wish to keep your honor drape, the cost will be \$20.00 to be paid to VHS in room 101 (Mrs. Courts) **during this time period**. I will not be taking money for Honor Drapes at any other time!

**FINES AND OBLIGATIONS**

**May 8<sup>th</sup>** ***All fines and obligations to VHS must be cleared.*** This includes Band, Choir, Athletics, textbooks, library, cafeteria, fund-raiser monies, dual credit, etc. **AFTER THIS**

**DATE, once the fine is cleared you must bring your clearance slip to show Mrs. Courts so that she can clear you for Graduation.**

#### **SIGN UP FOR CAP AND GOWN PARADE**

**May 8-10** Sign up sheets will be available during lunches for seniors to sign up for which elementary campus they will visit during the cap and gown parade. They are encouraged to visit the campus they attended. You will pick up a permission slip when you sign up and will bring it with you on the day of the parade (May 23). See that date for more information.

#### **GRADUATION PICTURES**

**May 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>** Purchase graduation pictures during lunch, outside the cafeteria. You may buy a package containing *two color 5x7's and 8 wallets* for a total cost of \$20.00 CASH OR CHECK.

If you want the pictures mailed to you, you will need to pay an extra \$5 mailing fee or you may pick them up at the Anderson Studio about 2 weeks after graduation. NO OTHER PHOTOGRAPHER WILL BE ALLOWED TO TAKE PICTURES FOR RESALE PURPOSES.

**Only those pictures paid for in advance will be printed** even though everyone will be photographed. You may go by Anderson's studio on your own time until Thursday, May 25th to order/pay for a picture if you miss your chance to do so at school. Add-ons are available. You may also order online, see flyer for details

#### **CAP AND GOWN PICK-UP**

**May 11<sup>th</sup>** Caps and gowns may be picked up in the new gym concession area during your lunch period. **All fines and obligations must be cleared before your cap and gown will be issued to you.**

#### **BACCALAUREATE SERVICE**

**May 16th (Tuesday)** Baccalaureate Service will be held on Tuesday evening at 6:30 pm at Pine Forest Baptist Church. Baccalaureate service is to honor our seniors, their achievements in life thus far, and to provide encouragement to seek a higher way. Seniors need to be at the church no later than 6 pm. Allow extra time for driving and parking due to traffic. **Seniors are requested to wear their cap and gown.** A special section will be reserved for graduates.

#### **TEXTBOOKS AND LOCKS**

**May 16<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup>** Senior textbook return will be to Mr. Frugia in the new storage room by the display case next to the library with the following schedule:

Tues., May 16<sup>th</sup>: 2<sup>nd</sup> period: Last name starting A-F  
3<sup>rd</sup> period- G-J  
4<sup>th</sup> period- K-M

Weds., May 17<sup>th</sup>: 2<sup>nd</sup> period: N-Q  
3<sup>rd</sup> period- R-U  
4<sup>th</sup> period- V-Z (and any others who haven't yet)

If you need some of your books for exams, turn in the ones you don't need and then turn in the others as soon as you're finished with them. Seniors need to make sure the book you possess is actually your book. Remember, your books have been checked out to YOU. If a book has been checked out to you, you are responsible for this book. You will need to stay while your books are being checked in and then return to class.

**Senior lock return will be by the same schedule. Locks will be returned to Mrs. Smith in the front office.** You will report to Security with your lock in hand. Your lock needs to have ½ of an index card attached with your locker combination on it. It does not matter how many times you have switched lockers, you are responsible for the lock issued to you. Any student who does not turn in the appropriate lock will be charged \$6.50. All fines must be eliminated prior to May 24, 2015.

## **GRADUATION CONTRACT**

**May 17<sup>th</sup>** - Graduation contracts must be returned to Mrs. Kincheloe in the main office. You CANNOT participate in graduation ceremonies without getting this signed and turned in. You will receive this in your English class in early May.

## **SENIOR EXAMS**

**May 16<sup>th</sup>** – Exemption forms will be distributed during 1st period

**May 18<sup>th</sup>** – Exemption forms will be due 1st period on exam day– if you will be exempt 1st period, turn in to your 1st period teacher before you leave school, Wednesday May 17<sup>th</sup>.

**May 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>** are Senior Exam days. We will be on block schedule on Thursday, May 18<sup>th</sup> (1,3,5,7) and Friday, May 19<sup>th</sup> (2,4,6,8). Seniors who are exempt will sign in with their 3rd period teacher at 10 a.m. on Thursday and with their 4th period teacher at 10 a.m. on Friday. **Students must be in school dress code when they come to check in.**

## **MAKE-UP EXAMS**

**May 22nd/23rd** - Any Senior who missed a final exam will finish Monday or Tuesday after the cap and gown parade and **MUST have a doctor's note in order to make up any missed exams. You will also be able to turn in books from 8-9 a.m., if you haven't yet.**

### **CAP AND GOWN PARADE**

**May 23rd- This will count as your check in attendance for this day.** Seniors will visit 1 of the 3 VISD elementary campuses and walk the halls in their caps and gowns as a way to encourage younger students to continue their education. Seniors are encouraged to visit the campus they attended.

8:30 meet in the auditorium in dress code with your cap and gown

8:45-9 load bus to go to elementary

10:30 return to high school and you are dismissed

### **GRADUATION REHEARSAL**

**May 24<sup>th</sup>** will be GRADUATION REHEARSAL DAY! Be prepared for a long morning (about 2-3 hrs). **REPORT TO THE AUDITORIUM FOR REHEARSAL at 9 am in dress code, unless otherwise specified by Mr. Maines. ATTENDANCE AT REHEARSAL IS COMPULSORY! NO ONE will be excused EXCEPT WITH A DOCTOR'S VERIFICATION OF ILLNESS.**

### **LAST WEEK OF SCHOOL CHECK-IN**

**May 22nd and 25<sup>th</sup>** Although exams will be over, you are still required to check in these days. You won't have to check in with a teacher on Tuesday or Wednesday because attending the cap and gown parade and graduation practice counts for attendance. Monday (22) you will check in with your 2nd period teacher at 10 a.m. and Thursday (25) you will check in with your 1<sup>st</sup> period teacher between 9:30 and 10 a.m. **Students must be in school dress code when they come to check in.**

### **GRADUATION**

**May 27th at 10 a.m.** is Graduation! Report to the **MONTAGNE CENTER NO EARLIER than 9 am** but no later than 9:30 am. No one will be allowed inside the Montagne Center until this time, including parents and guests. Check to see that you have a cap, gown, tassel, and the appropriate color cord (if purchased). **I do not bring extras** to the ceremony, so be sure that you have yours.

### **Dress Code**

**BOYS:** Dark slacks/new black jeans/dress khaki slacks; a light-colored dress shirt (white,

light blue); **a tie**; dress shoes/very nice, new boots that are clean and polished. DO NOT wear tennis shoes, sandals, deck shoes, flip flops, or nasty work boots.

GIRLS: A nice dress/skirt and blouse appropriate for church/dress slacks/new black jeans;  
dress shoes. DO NOT wear a high-necked garment such as a turtleneck, tennis shoes, sandals, deck shoes, flip flops, etc. Strapless and halter type dresses are inappropriate. Dark shoes are the most appropriate and look the best but are not required.

**IF YOU HAVE NOT CLEARED ALL FINES AND OBLIGATIONS TO V.H.S. YOU WILL NOT RECEIVE YOUR DIPLOMA AFTER GRADUATION.**

*After graduation exercises, you will report back to your assigned room to pick up a diploma packet from your row sponsor.* Your diploma packet will include: your diploma, miniature diploma (if ordered), a copy of the program, etc. Please remember to come back to your assigned room to get your diploma. If you neglect to get your diploma after the ceremony, you may pick it up at school the next working day (Tuesday, May 30th).

*By the way, the diploma that you receive after the ceremony is the real one. It is not a copy. So if you lose it, you will have to **pay** for another one. And, it will take some time to get it (about 6-8 weeks).*

**Row numbers will be given to you at rehearsal.**

**The Montagne Center does NOT allow balloons at all. Please ask family and friends not to bring any because they will be confiscated. Anyone using an air horn will be escorted out.**