

DO NOT LOSE
SENIOR CALENDAR
2018

ATTENTION: *This calendar is made for your convenience to answer questions about senior activities.*

SENIOR ASSEMBLIES

May 15th – Orange County Top 10% luncheon (approx. 11-1)

May 17th – Subject Awards beginning approximately 10:15 am (3rd period)

May 18th – Scholarship Presentation/Awards @ 9:00 am at First Baptist Church. Students will load buses at 8:15.

CORDS

April 25 – May 4 If you wish to have recognition of your diploma status at graduation you may purchase a **gold** cord for the **Foundation with endorsement** diploma or a **red** cord for the **Foundation with endorsement and distinguished achievement** 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)*

SIGN UP FOR CAP AND GOWN PARADE

May 1-3 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 31). See that date for more information.

HONOR DRAPES

May 7-11 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 11th ***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.

GRADUATION PICTURES

May 16th and 17th 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 31st 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 17th 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 22nd (Tuesday) Baccalaureate Service will be held on Tuesday evening at 6:30 pm at First United Methodist 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 22nd – May 23rd Senior textbook return will be to Mr. Dart in the new storage room by the display case next to the library with the following schedule:

Tues., May 22nd: 2nd period: Last name starting A-F
3rd period- G-J
4th period- K-M

Weds., May 23rd: 2nd period: N-Q
3rd period- R-U
4th 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 same place. You will report to Security with your lock in hand. 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 25, 2018.

GRADUATION CONTRACT

May 23rd - 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 21st – Exemption forms will be distributed during 1st period

May 23rd – Exemption forms will be due 1st period on Wednesday

May 24th and 25th are senior exam days. We will be on block schedule on Thursday, May 24th (2,4,6,8) and Friday, May 25th (1,3,5,7). Seniors who are exempt will sign in with their 2nd period teacher at 9:45 both days. **Students must be in school dress code when they come to check in.**

MAKE-UP EXAMS

May 29th/30th - Any Senior who missed a final exam will finish Tuesday or Wednesday after graduation practice 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.

SENIOR FIELD TRIP

May 29th to Smith Lake. This will be at **no cost to you** (unless you buy from the concession stand). Mr. Frugia will provide links, drinks, and some crawfish. The concession stand will be open for you to purchase snacks or other food. You will have to turn in a permission slip and ride the bus to be able to go. We will be there from around 9 until approximately 2 pm.

GRADUATION REHEARSAL

May 30th will be GRADUATION REHEARSAL DAY! Be prepared for a long morning (about 2-3 hrs). **REPORT TO THE GYM 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.

CAP AND GOWN PARADE

May 31st- 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 gym 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

LAST WEEK OF SCHOOL CHECK-IN

May 29th and June 1st- Although exams will be over, you are still required to check in these days. If you do not go on the senior field trip, you will be required to check in at 9:45 with your 2nd period. You won't have to check in with a teacher on Wednesday or Thursday because attending graduation practice and the cap and gown parade counts for attendance. Friday, June 1st you will check in with your 2nd period teacher at 9:45 a.m. **Students must be in school dress code when they come to check in.**

GRADUATION

June 1st at 7 p.m. is Graduation! Report to the **MONTAGNE CENTER** NO EARLIER than 6 pm but no later than 6:30 pm. 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; **a tie**; dress shoes/very nice, new boots that are clean and polished.
DO NOT wear tennis shoes, sandals, deck shoes, flip flops, or work boots.

GIRLS: A nice dress/skirt (knee length) 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, sundresses, and halter type dresses are not allowed.

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 (Monday, June 4th).

*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.