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**SENIOR CALENDAR
2019**

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 16th – Subject Awards beginning approximately 10:15 am (3rd period)

May 17th – Scholarship Presentation/Awards @ 9:00 am VHS auditorium

CORDS

April 29 – May 6 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 28-30. (they may be in earlier, listen for announcements)*

SIGN UP FOR CAP AND GOWN PARADE

May 6-8 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 29). See that date for more information.

HONOR DRAPES

May 7-14 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 10th *All fines and obligations to VHS must be cleared.* This includes Band, Choir, Athletics, textbooks, library, cafeteria, fundraiser monies, dual credit, etc. **AFTER THIS DATE**, once the fine is cleared you must bring your receipt to show Mrs. Courts so that she can clear you for Graduation.

SENIOR FIELD TRIP

May 13th to Smith Lake. This will be at **no cost to you**. Mr. Parsley will provide links, drinks, crawfish, and many other tasty treats. He has also worked really hard to get a lot of donations for drawings for prizes (must be present to win). 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.

CAP AND GOWN PICK-UP

May 14th 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.**

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 30th 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.

BACCALAUREATE SERVICE

May 21st (Tuesday) Baccalaureate Service will be held on Tuesday evening at 6:30 pm at First 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 21st – May 22nd 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 21st: 2nd period: Last name starting A-F
3rd period- G-J
4th period- K-M

Weds., May 22nd: 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. Ashworth in the same place. You will report 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 24, 2019.

GRADUATION CONTRACT

May 22nd - Graduation contracts must be returned to Mrs. Smith 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 20th – Exemption forms will be distributed during 1st period

May 22nd – Exemption forms will be due 1st period on Wednesday

May 23rd and 24th are senior exam days. We will be on block schedule on Thursday, May 23rd (2,4,6,8) and Friday, May 24th (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 28th/29th - Any Senior who missed a final exam will finish Tuesday or Wednesday after 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 29th- 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 **BE ON TIME!** 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

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. McDowell. 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 28th and 31st- Although exams will be over, you are still 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 the cap and gown parade and graduation practice counts for attendance. Friday, May 31st 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

May 31st 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 6 pm, 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, Crocs, 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, Crocs, 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 3rd).

*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.