

1. Introduction and Purpose:

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Our purpose tonight is to give you information that will, hopefully, ease the stress associated with being a ‘senior parent’; give you as much information as possible about the senior year; and allow you to ask anything you need to that is not on the agenda.

2. Senior Picture information for the yearbook

For the past 14 years, Dunlap Photography has donated their services to CHS by taking all of our activity photos; helping our yearbook staff layout pages; taking the senior group photograph; and providing every senior the opportunity to have a professional senior portrait taken at no cost to the parent. We need you to know these dates so that your child will be included in the senior section:

Sept. 23rd at 5:00pm: Backstage in the PAC
Sept. 30th at 7:00am: Backstage in the PAC – bus to BCC will be held

Students must wear a long-sleeved, solid-color shirt for their picture. No logos...no prints...a plain shirt.

Also, we will take the Senior Class picture on Tuesday, October 26 at 7:00am in the CHS gym. We will hold the BCC bus so that all seniors may be in the picture. Guys should wear a black t-shirt and girls should wear a white t-shirt.

Also on that day, we will take all CHS activity group photos for the yearbook and photograph all ‘Senior Personalities’.

Finally, all Family and Friends pages are due on December 15th.

3. Discipline/Attendance Rules for Seniors

The rules are really no different from past years; however, for seniors, there are some different consequences. These consequences stem from the fact that we expect our seniors to behave better and to set a positive example for the rest of our student body.

- a. Any senior who is suspended two (2) times during the year will not be permitted to attend Commencement, Prom, Homecomings, or Senior Bash. This includes In-School Suspensions...
- b. Any senior who has twelve (12) unexcused absences will not be permitted to attend Prom, Homecoming, or Senior Bash. Seniors with fifteen (15) or more unexcused absences may lose credit for courses and not be able to graduate.
- c. Any senior who fails a required course will not be permitted to participate in Commencement Exercises. If a senior uses 'Credit Recovery' to pass a required class, they will get a diploma, but not participate in Commencement exercises.

4. Graduation Requirements

In order to earn a diploma, students must meet both local and state criteria.

- a. At CHS, students must earn a total of 21 credits including 4 ELA; 4 Math; 3 Science; 3 Social Studies; 1 Fine Art (waived if at BCC) (can be done all or part at BHMS); ½ Health; ½ Phys Ed (may be waived); plus 5 more electives
- b. The state gives End of Course tests in 7 courses: ELA 9; ELA 10; Algebra; Geometry; Biology; American History; and Government. Students must earn a total of 18 points on these tests in order to meet the state graduation requirement; OR
- c. Students must earn these scores on the ACT:
 - i. English – 18
 - ii. Reading – 22
 - iii. Math – 22; OR
- d. At BCC, earn an industry certification and a work-readiness score on the WorkKeys

The Class of 2023 and beyond has a different set of graduation requirements than the Class of 2022. For seniors in this year's class, they may choose to use the new requirements or the ones listed above. We will work with individual seniors who have not met the requirements to determine which path will be the best for them to pursue and communicate this to the parents on a case-by-case basis.

5. Senior Trip – none this year

Due to the uncertain circumstances that still exist with COVID, we are not going to plan a trip to NYC for this spring. It is entirely possible that everything may end up perfectly fine...but it is equally possible that we would not be able to go and students and parents will lose deposit money.

Instead, if possible, we planned a Senior Bash to Cedar Point and possibly a second trip to an Indians game and/or a visit to the Rock-n-Roll Hall of Fame on May 16 and 18 of 2022. We will give you more information later in the year after we determine what we are able to do.

6. Prom – April 30, 2022

The junior/senior prom is one of the highlights of the year. We want all students to be able to attend and make that wonderful memory. In order to raise money for the class to put on a nice prom, juniors and seniors are asked to participate in a Strawberry Sale in the spring. The more flats they sell, the less their ticket to the prom will cost. We have many students each year go to the prom for free because they work hard on the sales project. A few notes about prom:

- a. It will be held in the CHS Commons and Gymnasium
- b. We will provide a plated-dinner and dance
- c. Must have paid senior class dues to buy tickets
- d. Promenade begins at 5:30pm and the prom ends at 11:00pm
- e. Students must be in school the ENTIRE day on Friday, April 29th. Do not schedule hair/nail/tuxedo appointments on Friday.
- f. The only acceptable excuse is for a doctor visit which needs to be submitted prior to April 29th.

7. Commencement Procedures

Commencement will be on May 27, 2022, at 7:00pm in the CHS gymnasium. Each senior will receive at least six (6) tickets for their family and friends to attend. If students need more than six tickets, they may ask for them at Graduation Practice. NO tickets will be given before practice. If all of the extra-ticket requests can be granted, then all will get the extra tickets at Graduation Practice. If more requests are made than there are available tickets, NO requests will be granted. In any case, there will be seating available for any person that does not have a ticket in the CHS auditorium, CMS gymnasium and/or the commons. They will view and hear the commencement exercises live via a direct link from the gym.

Other Commencement notes:

- a. Boys need to wear dark pants (not jeans), a white shirt and tie and dress shoes
- b. Girls need to wear a white or light-colored dress and white shoes
- c. Dunlap's will take a picture as your child receives their diploma
- d. Caps and gowns are required...may be borrowed
- e. If you buy from Josten's, order day is August 27 @ CHS and September 30 @ BCC
- f. Make sure you order early or the price doubles after December 15th...
- g. Must have paid all fines/fees in order to receive diploma...this includes fees from BCC, CHS, and class dues (\$5/year; \$20 total)

8. College-Bound Information

Obviously, lots of information will be coming to you this year if you are planning to attend college next fall. It is imperative that students check their CHS email often (daily) as all of the information related to college representative visits, financial aid meetings, scholarship opportunities, deadlines, and much more is sent to your email address. Also, we will notify you on morning announcements, all-calls, and newspaper articles to try to keep you informed...but YOU must be responsible to ask questions and to be sure you meet deadlines!

- a. The Unified Scholarship Application will be due on Monday, March 7, 2022. MANY local scholarships use this form to make their awards...do not be late!
- b. Many other scholarships are available that are not on the Unified Form. You need to check in the Counseling Office to get information about these opportunities.
- c. We will schedule two college financial aid meetings to help you understand the FAFSA and to get it filed on time. The first one is on October 28 during Parent/Teacher conferences...look for more information from the Counseling Office.
- d. All seniors will apply to college on October 19 on our College Application Day. We get fees waived for many local colleges on that day and you do the application here at school.

DATES TO REMEMBER**August:**

- 23 Josten's at CHS – gives info for senior materials
- 27 Josten's Order day at CHS

September:

- 6 No School
- 8 Academic Hall of Fame – 8:00am (for 2020-21)
- 10 Cross Country and Golf Senior night – 6:00pm
- 17 October ACT registration deadline
- 22 Homecoming Parade and Bonfire – 6:00pm
- 23 Senior pictures – PAC backstage – 5:00pm
- 24 Josten's at BCC – gives info for senior materials
- 25 Fall Homecoming Dance – 8:00pm
- 30 Senior pictures – PAC backstage – 7:00am (bus to BCC after)
- 30 Josten's Order day at BCC

October:

- 2 Band Extravaganza
- 5 Senior Night – Boys Soccer
- 8 Waiver Day – No School for students
- 11 National Honor Society Induction – 7:00pm
- 13 Senior Night – Girls Soccer
- 14 Senior Night – Volleyball
- 15 Senior Night – FB and Band
- 19 College Application Day
- 20 CHS Choir Concert – 7:00pm
- 21 Report cards released
- 22 Teacher Inservice – No School for students
- 23 ACT Test – at CHS
- 26 Senior Class Picture – activity pictures
- 27-30 National FFA convention
- 28 Parent-teacher conferences: 3:30 – 6:30pm

November:

- 3 Marching Band Concert – 7:00pm
- 11-13 Fall Musical
- 18 EBC Honors Choir @ Alliance – 7:00m
- 24-29 No School – Thanksgiving Break

December:

- 6 Family and Friends page deadline
- 9 ASVAB test @ CHS
- 14 CHS Band and Choir Concert – 7:00pm
- 15 Family & Friends pages due
- 13-16 Semester Exams
- 16 Jazz Band and Steel Drum Concert – 7:00pm
- 17 Last day of 1st semester

January:

- 4 Classes resume after break
- 7 Report cards released
- 7 Registration Deadline for February ACT
- 13 Parent Teacher Conferences: 3:30-6:30pm
- 17 No School – MLK Day
- 22 Winter Homecoming Dance – 8:00pm

February:

- 5 Speech @ Littles
- 12 ACT test @ CHS
- 18-19 Speech @ Bigs
- 21 No School – President's Day

March:

- 3-5 Speech @ State
- 7 Unified Scholarship Application Due!!
- 6-7 Speech @ State
- 14 Waiver Day – No School for students
- 18 Report cards released
- 24 Parent Teacher Conferences: 3:30 – 6:30pm
- 25-26 Spring Play

April:

- 13-18 No School – Spring Break
- 21 CHS & 8th grade Band concert – 7:00pm
- 27 CHS Choir concert – 7:00pm
- 28-29 FFA State Convention
- 29 Mock Crash
- 30 Promenade/Prom: 5:30 – 7:00pm and 7:00 – 11:00pm

May:

- 4 Bell-Herron Awards night – 7:30pm
- 5 Yearbook Distribution Party – 8th and 9th periods
- 9-12 Senior Exams
- 11 Jazz Band and Steel Drum Concert – 7:00pm
- 16 Senior Bash – Cedar Point
- 18 Seniors to Indians Game/Rock & Roll HOF
- 20 Senior Awards Assembly – 8:00am
- 20 Seniors Last Day – Check-out
- 21 Senior Parade – 11:00am
- 25 Graduation Practice (all seniors) – 8:00am
- 26 Baccalaureate – 7:00pm
- 27 Commencement – 7:00pm

**BCC Awards Assembly practice and ceremony dates are TBA

June:

- 3 Report Cards and transcripts mailed – at the earliest