



# Rolesville High School Graduation Guide 2019

## IMPORTANT DATES/ DEADLINES

**Senior Fee Deadline**  
March 15

**Cap & Gown Pickup**  
April 2

**Senior Parent Night**  
April 9 @ 6:00 PM

**Prom**  
May 3

**Senior Awards  
Rehearsal**  
May 22 @ 8:00AM

**Senior Awards/  
Senior Picnic**  
May 23 @ 8:00AM

**Baccalaureate**  
TBD

**Graduation Practice**  
June 5 @ 3:30PM

**Final Exams**  
June 5-11

**Graduation**  
June 14 @ 8:00AM

### \*Senior Class Remind\*

#### **To Join:**

Enter this Number: **81010**

Text this message: **@98d8e**

## Congratulations Class of 2019!!

Class of 2019 and parents, I know that you are filled with emotions as we near graduation. The weeks are few as we make final preparations for that long awaited walk across the stage. In an effort to make the event smooth and the experience enjoyable for all, we are providing you with a document to help you plan.

It is the expectation of the WCPSS administration that all graduation ceremonies be respectful and dignified. We ask that all students and guests conduct themselves in a manner that will honor not only their special Ram, but also all other RHS graduates. When the final graduate has walked and the recessional has ended, we want the dignitaries of our county and school system to know they have seen, heard and felt Ram Pride.

Best wishes,  
Mrs. Lassiter

### Senior Class Officers

Naomi Smith, President  
Hannah Stroot, Vice President  
Jennie Vo, Secretary  
Kayla Huynh, Treasurer  
Michaela Brown, Historian  
Camryn Butts, Public Relations

### Administration

Dhedra Lassiter, Principal  
Lisa Allred, Assistant Principal  
Obed Morales, Assistant Principal  
Kelly Nilles, Assistant Principal  
Tosha Pullen, Assistant Principal  
Nicholas Wheeler, Assistant Principal  
Jerome Drew, Assistant Principal Intern

### Senior Class Advisor

James Smetana

### Student Services

Tracy Miller, Dean of Students

### Counselors

Claudia Collins  
Jacquelyn Harris  
Paula Lucas  
Jessica McQuaig  
Alexis Stadler  
Dorothy Wood-Webb

# Transcripts

**\*ALL STUDENTS PLANNING TO ATTEND COLLEGE MUST SEND A FINAL TRANSCRIPT TO THE ADMISSIONS OFFICE OF THE COLLEGE THAT THEY WILL ATTEND IN THE FALL OF 2019.**

## **IN-STATE COLLEGES/UNIVERSITIES**

WCPSS high schools use the College Foundation of North Carolina (CFNC) Electronic Transcript as the primary method of sending senior transcripts to institutions of higher education in North Carolina. These transcripts are free to current seniors and are sent within 1-2 days of the request through the student's CFNC account. All North Carolina colleges, universities and community colleges accept the CFNC Electronic Transcript.

If you sent your initial transcript through CFNC, a final transcript will automatically be sent by CFNC approximately 10 days after graduation. Therefore, you do not need to make a request through Student Services. Students should log in to their CFNC account to check on the status.

## **OUT-OF-STATE COLLEGES & UNIVERSITIES/NCAA/SCHOLARSHIPS**

***\*WCPSS offers a secure site for current and former students to access transcripts, attendance, and employment verifications: <https://wcpss.scriborder.com/>***

Please allow 7-10 business days to process student record orders. Requests for information must be completed online and will be processed on normal business days during normal business hours (Monday-Friday 8:00am—4:00pm). You will receive emails from [scribonline@scribsoft.com](mailto:scribonline@scribsoft.com) to notify you of the status of your order. It is important you read those emails carefully as additional information may be required to process your request.

# Cap & Gown



Please contact Jostens® today if you have not ordered your cap and gown!

**Visit:** [www.jostens.com](http://www.jostens.com)

**Search:** Rolesville High School

**Order:** “Cap & Gown Unit” (\$46.00 plus s/h)

**Jostens Sales Office: (919) 789-8500**

# Fees & Fines

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All fines, debts, and other financial obligations must be cleared by **May 10, 2019**. Money will not be accepted at graduation practice. Graduation guest tickets and diplomas will not be issued to students who have outstanding balances. Please check with the media center and the bookkeeper today!!!

**SENIOR FEE = \$40.00 pay online: RHS website under "Parents" link (Due March 15, 2019)**

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## Class Rank

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There will be periodic compilations of class rankings in high school for the purpose of making an individual's class rank available to the student, his/her parents, and to other institutions such as colleges/universities, for the purpose of admission and/or scholarships. To determine class rank, each high school uses the student's cumulative GPA, which is calculated by dividing the total number of quality points by the total number of units of credit attempted. The results are rounded to the fourth decimal place. A **Senior Honors Rank** is calculated through the third nine weeks of the senior year for any senior honors or awards. This year, Senior Honors rank will be calculated on **April 12, 2019**.

## Latin Honors

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**ROLESVILLE HIGH SCHOOL WILL USE THE FOLLOWING LATIN HONORS TO RECOGNIZE SENIORS FOR THEIR HIGH ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENTS.**

**CUM LAUDE**

Means to graduate "With Honor": Students with weighted Grade Point Averages (GPA) ranging from **3.75—3.99**.

**MAGNA CUM LAUDE**

Means to graduate "With Great Honor": Students with weighted Grade Point Averages (GPA) ranging from **4.0—4.249**.

**SUMMA CUM LAUDE**

Means to graduate "With Highest Honor": Students with weighted Grade Point Averages (GPA) ranging from **4.25 and higher**.

# Exam Exemption

Seniors should prepare seriously for all exams. For some, it could make the difference between graduating and not graduating. Final exams count 20% of final grades. Seniors may not be exempt from **an EOC , NCFE, or CTE final exams**. If an exam qualifies for an exemption, a senior may be exempt if they meet the following criteria:

***A average with 3 or fewer excused absences per semester***

***B average with 2 or fewer excused absences per semester***

***C average with 1 or fewer excused absences per semester***

- The attendance count includes each instructional day (90 days per semester).
- Attendance will be calculated per class period. If a student has no tardies, one excused absence will be removed from the total applied to exemptions.
- A student must be present for at least ½ of the period (45 minutes) to be considered present.
- Absences due to school-related activities (school-sponsored trips, field trips, sports competitions) will not be considered absences.
- Board-approved religious holidays, and pre-scheduled guidance appointments will not be considered absences.
- Seniors are allowed 2 pre-approved college visits that do not count toward absences for exemption.
- A student with an unexcused absence will forfeit the privilege, regardless of grade average or total number of absences. This includes suspensions.
- Absences during Spring Break will not be considered absences. The grade average will be based on the student's average from the beginning of the semester. The average used to determine if a student is exempt will be the anticipated final average for the course.

## Reminders

**COLLEGE ACCEPTANCE LETTERS/SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS:** Please report all scholarship awards and college acceptance letters to Student Services ASAP for recognition at Senior Awards Day.

**AT-RISK SENIORS:** Only students who meet all graduation requirements will be allowed to participate in the graduation ceremony. Students who do not meet graduation requirements will be notified **before graduation.**

***Seniors who are in jeopardy of not meeting graduation requirements should contact their counselor today!!!***

# Seniors Awards Rehearsal\*      Wednesday, May 22, 2019

## RHS Gymnasium

Rehearsal for the Senior Awards program begins at **8:00am**. All Seniors should report by **7:30am**.

**\*All seniors are required to attend. Seniors who do not attend may not be allowed to attend Graduation.**

# Senior Awards\* and Picnic      Thursday, May 23, 2019

We will recognize the accomplishments of our seniors at **8:00 am** in the Rolesville High School Gymnasium. Seniors should report by **7:30 am** dressed in graduation attire. **Approved stoles, cords and pins can be worn by graduates with their regalia for the Senior Awards ceremony.** Following the required rehearsal, The RHS PTSA, senior class advisors and senior parents have planned a special afternoon for the Class of 2019. All seniors are invited to attend. Enjoy an afternoon filled with fun, food, and music with all of your friends from the Class of 2019. Please bring a change of comfortable clothes and shoes with you. Don't forget your year-books, cameras, and sunblock!

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# Baccalaureate Ceremony      TBD

The RHS PTSA, senior class advisors and senior parents are planning a special non-denominational baccalaureate service (a celebration that honors a graduating senior class from a college or high school) for the Class of 2019. Parents and family members are invited to attend the service with their graduating senior. **Approved stoles, cords and pins can be worn by graduates with their regalia for the Baccalaureate ceremony.**

**\*This is an optional graduation event.\***

# Graduation Etiquette and Attire

The faculty and staff of Rolesville High School want to make graduation a most memorable, dignified experience. We ask for your full cooperation with the dress code.

Caps and gowns are ceremonial attire and should be worn accordingly. (Any student, due to circumstances or extreme hardship, who cannot acquire the necessary items to meet the dress code requirements should contact Mrs. Lassiter as soon as possible.)

**\*Seniors are required to wear graduation attire at the following events:**

- Senior Awards Day:      May 23, 2019
- Baccalaureate:      **TBD**
- Graduation Ceremony:      June 14, 2019

**Cap and gowns** should be worn in a dignified way. Gowns should be neatly pressed and wrinkle-free. Caps are always worn straight on the head without a tilt. Tassels should be worn over the right temple. **Only Latin Honors stoles will be worn as part of the regalia at the graduation ceremony. No other stoles, cords, or pins will be permitted.**

**LADIES:** Wear black/dark colored dress, or black skirt/ black pants & solid white blouse and black closed-toe shoes. Dresses should not hang below the gown. Ladies should wear shoes with a low heel. Do not wear sandals or any open-toed shoe, flip-flops or colorful hosiery.

**GENTLEMEN:** Wear black dress slacks, solid white long-sleeved dress shirt, black dress tie, black dress socks and black dress shoes.

**THOSE WEARING INAPPROPRIATE ATTIRE WILL BE EXPECTED TO CHANGE OR  
THEY WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO PARTICIPATE.**

**NO EXCEPTIONS, NO EXCUSES!!**

# Graduation Practice

Wednesday, June 5, 2019

3:30PM—5:30PM

## RALEIGH CONVENTION CENTER

500 South Salisbury Street  
Raleigh, NC

- **ARRIVAL:** *Students should report no later than 3:00pm.* Students who are not present for rehearsal **will not** be allowed to participate in the graduation ceremony. This include mid-year graduates. **Be on time!!** All schools are required to stay within their allotted time.
- **PARKING:** please remember that parking is not free (\$7.00) in the downtown area. Wednesday is a regular workday for downtown employees and traffic may be heavy. Plan accordingly.
- **ATTIRE:** dress comfortably; **do not wear caps & gowns to practice.** Girls should bring the shoes they plan to wear on graduation day to practice walking across the stage.
- **BEHAVIOR:** Graduation practice and ceremony are both school-related activities and students are expected to adhere to the WCPSS Student Code of Conduct outlined in the WCPSS Student handbook. Students who do not behave appropriately will not be allowed to participate in the graduation ceremony.
- **TICKETS:** Graduation tickets will be distributed during practice. Each graduate will receive **8** guest admission tickets. Additional tickets can be earned by adults who assist with test proctoring each semester.

# Graduation

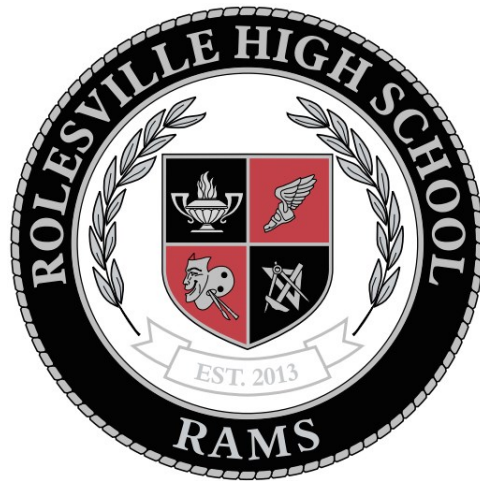
Friday, June 14, 2019

8:00 AM

## RALEIGH CONVENTION CENTER

500 South Salisbury Street  
Raleigh, NC

- ◇ **ARRIVAL:** *Student should report no later than 6:45 am.* Doors will open at 7:00 am for students to enter. All guests will be required to wait outside until the doors open 45 minutes prior to the start of the ceremony.
- ◇ **TIME:** The allotted time for the ceremony is approximately 1 hour 10 minutes.
- ◇ **ATTIRE:** Students should arrive dressed in the appropriate graduation attire (page 5).
- ◇ **EXTRA ITEMS:** Students should not bring extra items to the graduation ceremony. (No electronic devices, cell phones, purses, keys, cameras, etc). These items cannot be secured during the ceremony.
- ◇ **DIPLOMAS:** Students will receive diploma covers as they cross the stage. Diplomas will be issued immediately following the ceremony in the line-up area. Diplomas will not be issued to seniors who display inappropriate behavior at any time during the ceremony. Students who have their diplomas held due to inappropriate behavior will have to make an appointment to meet with Mrs. Lassiter to receive it.
- ◇ **GUESTS:** Each senior will receive **8** guest tickets for the graduation ceremony (including children). Only guests with tickets will be admitted. Guest need to be reminded that names will be called quickly. Out of respect for all graduates and their families, shouts and noises are not permitted while names are being called. Each family deserves to hear the name of their graduate called.
- ◇ **PHOTOGRAPHY:** A professional photographer is contracted with each school to photograph each senior as they walk across the stage to receive their diploma cover. Purchase of these photos is optional.
- ◇ **PROHIBITED ITEMS:** balloons, camera bags, tripods, book bags/backpacks, glass containers, food/drink, noise makers, wrapped packages of any kind, or any items similar to those listed above. Flowers wrapped in tissue paper are allowed inside the building. Intoxicated individuals will not be allowed to enter the exhibit floor area.



## *Class of 2019*

**“Set your goals high enough to inspire you  
and low enough to encourage you.”**

**- Author Unknown**

**On behalf of Rolesville High School , we want to congratulate parents and their graduating seniors. We share in your joy and excitement for each senior and his success now and in the future. As you move into the next phase of your lives, take with you the Character, Knowledge, and Achievement that you gained while at Rolesville High School**

**Farewell and Best Wishes!**