

# Millbrook High School – Class of 2020

## Graduation Bulletin

Seniors, this bulletin is designed to be a quick reference and resource guide for you and your parents. More comprehensive bulletins will be distributed at your first and second Senior Meeting in the spring, as well as posted on our school's website.

### Senior Fines

SENIORS WHO FAIL TO CLEAR THEIR FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY TO MILLBROOK HIGH SCHOOL WILL NOT PARTICIPATE IN PROM OR THE GRADUATION CEREMONY. (This includes, but is not limited to, the Senior Class fee, textbooks, parking fines, AND library fines.) TAKE CARE OF FINES AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. (Make sure you keep all documentation that you've paid a fine.)

**All fines should be paid using the OSP.**

Library Fines MUST be paid before Spring Break.

(This includes ANY library fines you may have for another school.)

You will be receiving Library Fine notices through your Senior English class, or you can see a media specialist to see what you owe.

### Josten's Order Dates – Fall 2019

Cap and Gowns can also be ordered through the Josten's website ([www.jostens.com](http://www.jostens.com)).

September 24, 2019	Senior Portrait Make-Ups at School
September 26, 2019	Class Ring Orders AND Parent Order Night (all lunches) (5:30pm-7:00pm)
September 27, 2019	Graduation Product/Cap & Gown Orders (all lunches)

### Important Events – Spring 2020

Senior Meeting #1	April 29, 9:00am in Main Gym
Senior Speaker Auditions	April 29, 2:45pm in Main Gym (You MUST sign up to audition, see Pg. 4.)
Service Club Assembly	April 30, 8:00am in Main Gym
Senior Meeting #2	May 21, 1:00pm in Main Gym
Senior Assembly	May 22, 8:00am in Main Gym
Yearbook Distribution	May 22, 10:30am in Small Gym
Senior Picnic	May 22, 10:30am in Football Stadium

## **Graduation Rehearsal**

Graduation Rehearsal: June 3, 2020 (12:45pm-3:00pm)  
Raleigh Convention Center

You should be seated in your assigned seat no later than 12:45pm dressed in regular school clothes. Attendance at our Graduation Rehearsal is **MANDATORY to participate** in the final commencement ceremony on June 10. Tardiness will not be tolerated; therefore, plan to be at the Raleigh Convention Center early. It is recommended that you carpool because the City of Raleigh charges for parking in the adjacent parking decks, and you should plan to pay when you exit the garage.

Students will receive 7 tickets for the graduation ceremony when they walk across the stage at graduation rehearsal. Extra tickets will be distributed through a lottery system; information about the lottery system will be discussed at the first Senior Meeting on April 29. Students needing extra tickets can also make arrangements with classmates who are not planning to use all of their tickets. Tickets are free; make sure you do not pay for extra tickets.

## **Commencement**

Commencement: June 10, 2020 (8:00am – 10:00am)  
Raleigh Convention Center

Report to the Convention Center at 6:45am. BE PROMPT! Tardiness will not be accepted.

Only guests who are in wheelchairs will be escorted to the handicapped seating area. Arrangements for wheel-chair bound guests need to be made ahead of time by contacting Jill Drabot in Student Services at [jdrabot@wcpss.net](mailto:jdrabot@wcpss.net), 919-850-8787, ext. 21473. All guests are welcome to use the elevator to access the seating level at the Convention Center.

## **CHANGES TO SENIOR HONOR DESIGNATIONS**

The way Wake County Public Schools recognize top high school seniors changed. Starting last year, seniors were recognized under the new Latin honors system, which is modeled on how college and universities recognize top-achieving graduates. Under the new system, seniors were recognized with the following honors based on their GPA:

- Summa Cum Laude – weighted GPA of 4.25 or higher
- Magna Cum Laude – weighted GPA of 4.0 to 4.249
- Cum Laude – weighted GPA of 3.75 to 3.99

With this update in effect, Millbrook High School made changes to the Graduation Attire and selection process for Graduation speakers. Below will outline the information for both changes.

## **Appropriate Dress:**

Changes to Official Dress for Senior Assembly and Graduation:

- Senior cap and gown attire now has FOUR parts:
  1. Gown
  2. Cap
  3. Tassel
  4. (NEW) Stole – Every stole will have the Millbrook Crest printed on the right hand side. Earned Latin honors will be printed on the left hand side.

The Official Dress should ONLY be worn for the Senior Assembly and Graduation. If you lose your cap or stole or tassel see Mrs. Davis. There will be a fee to replace these items.



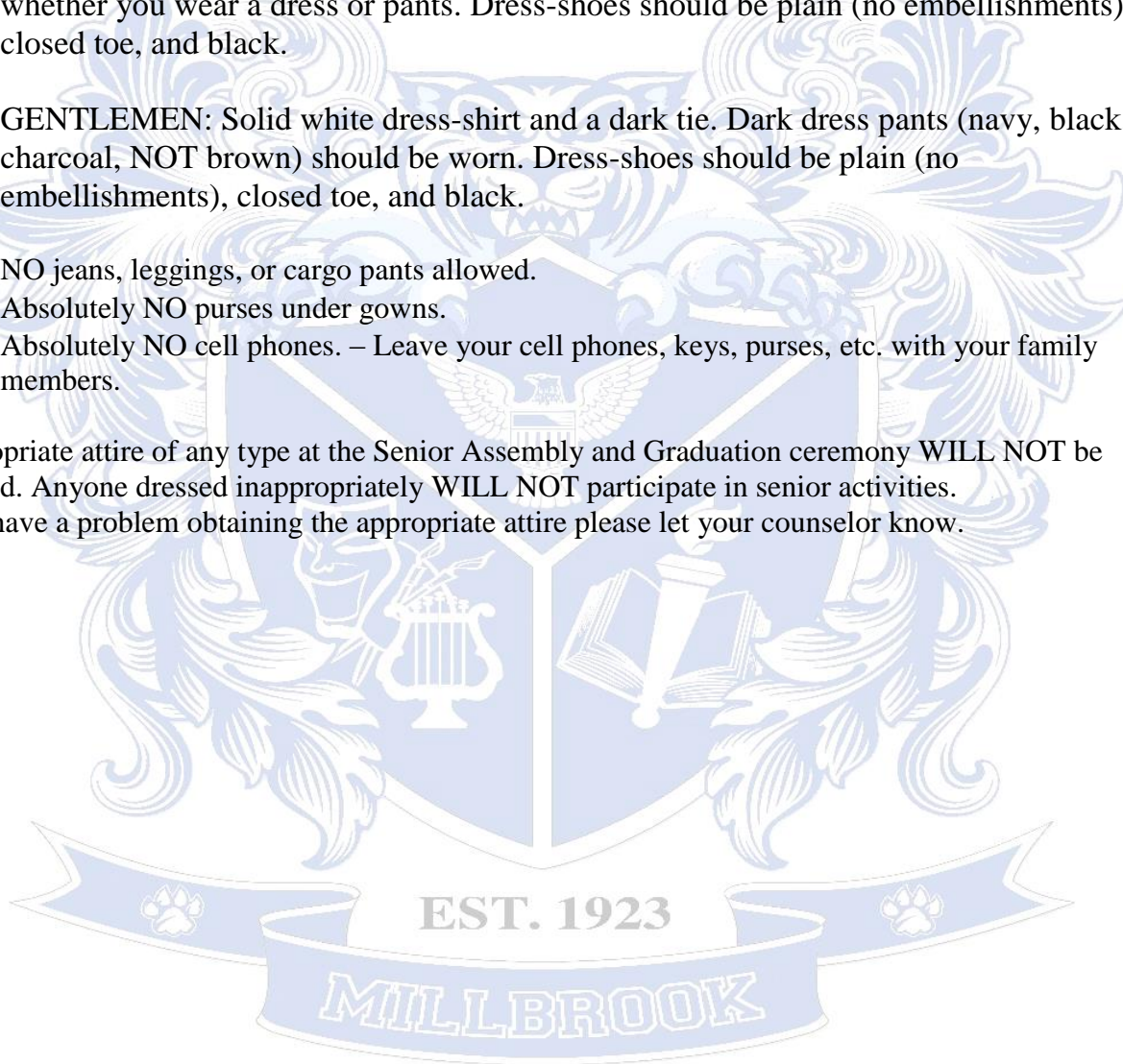
Senior Assembly & Graduation Honors Attire:

- Senior Assembly – Wear any cords or pins from Millbrook sponsored clubs and organizations.
- \*NEW Updates\* Graduation Ceremony (at Convention Center) – ONLY allowed to wear NHS pin, IB Diploma Programme pin, and/or DMCA pin. Pins should be placed on the left-hand side of the stole, in the area opposite from the Millbrook Crest, or pinned directly above recognized Latin honors.

Additionally, under the cap and gown, students have two options for dress:

1. **LADIES:** Simple dress or skirt/top (No maxi-dresses/maxi-skirts. It should not be seen hanging below the graduation gown.) OR Dark dress pants (navy/black/charcoal, NOT brown) and a dress top/blouse. Either way – nothing should show in the open neck area whether you wear a dress or pants. Dress-shoes should be plain (no embellishments), closed toe, and black.
  2. **GENTLEMEN:** Solid white dress-shirt and a dark tie. Dark dress pants (navy, black, charcoal, NOT brown) should be worn. Dress-shoes should be plain (no embellishments), closed toe, and black.
- NO jeans, leggings, or cargo pants allowed.
  - Absolutely NO purses under gowns.
  - Absolutely NO cell phones. – Leave your cell phones, keys, purses, etc. with your family members.

Inappropriate attire of any type at the Senior Assembly and Graduation ceremony WILL NOT be tolerated. Anyone dressed inappropriately WILL NOT participate in senior activities. If you have a problem obtaining the appropriate attire please let your counselor know.



## **Senior Speaker Auditions (2019-2020)**

We need 5 seniors for various speaking roles for our Senior Assembly and our Graduation Ceremony. (Speaking roles and descriptions listed below.) We are holding auditions for these speaking roles after school in the Main Gym on Wednesday, April 29 from 2:45 – 4:00pm. Auditions are first come, first served (first to show up, first to audition, etc.). Once you have auditioned, you are free to leave.

IF INTERESTED, please sign up to audition at this link: <http://bit.ly/SeniorSpeakers20>

### **Senior Assembly Speaking Roles:**

1. Introduction of Principal – Reads a prepared introduction about Mrs. King.
2. Introduction of Speaker – Reads a prepared introduction about the Senior Speaker.
3. \*\*Senior Speaker – WRITES and reads an original 1-1.5 minute speech for the senior class.

### **Graduation Speaking Roles:**

1. Opening of Graduation Ceremony – Opens our Graduation Ceremony by reading Pledge of Allegiance and introducing our Special Guests and introducing our Senior Class President.
2. \*\*The Millbrook Charge Speech AND Introduction of Principal – WRITES and reads an original 1-1.5 minute speech at graduation that is a charge (go out and conquer the world) to the Senior Class. Also, reads a prepared introduction about Mrs. King.

\*\*If you are auditioning for "Senior Assembly: Senior Speaker" OR "Graduation: The Millbrook Charge Speech" please prepare/write a 30 second sample of the speech you would like to give as that speaker. You may bring a written copy; there is no need to memorize your speech.

If you are auditioning for any other speaking role, please print and practice and bring a copy of the Sample Reading to your audition. WE WILL NOT provide copies at the audition. Access the Sample Readings here: <http://bit.ly/AuditionSamples19>

