

Dear Seniors and Parents/Guardians of Mid-Year Graduates:

Congratulations on the achievements that have prepared you for graduation from Green Hope High School. In preparation for this special evening, there are a number of important matters for you to consider and share with your invited guests.

The Commencement Program will be held at the Green Hope High School auditorium on **Wednesday, February 1st at 5:00 p.m.** Seniors should arrive at the school no later than 4:15 p.m. for a brief walkthrough of the program. Family members and special guests are encouraged to attend. No tickets are needed for admission.

GRADUATION ETIQUETTE

- Caps and gowns should always be worn in a dignified way. Be sure the gowns are neatly pressed. Please remember to use a cool iron as the gowns will melt easily if the iron is too hot. **DO NOT WASH OR DRY CLEAN THE GOWNS.** Females will not wear the white collars.
- Both males and females always wear caps **STRAIGHT** on the head, parallel to the floor. A teacher supervisor will adjust the cap for you if you are not wearing the cap correctly. No cap decorations or alterations will be permitted. Tassels are to be worn on the right side of the cap until the changing of the tassel near the conclusion of the graduation ceremony. You will then be instructed as a group to move the tassels to the left side to signify your graduation. Graduates are expected to hold their caps at the end of the ceremony.
- A stole will be given to you the night of graduation to wear.
- Seniors will graduate in alphabetical order. Upon hearing his/her name called, each senior will walk across the stage and receive his/her diploma from the school's principal.

CEREMONY CONDUCT

- We want graduation to be a happy time for you and want to honor your years of hard work with a dignified ceremony.
- Cat-calling, yelling, and pranks during graduation will distract from the ceremony.
- Seniors should not have electronic devices in their possession during the ceremony. Staff members and administrators may confiscate electronic devices and may return them at a time convenient for administration. The school is not

responsible for lost or damaged personal items. Students who violate this expectation may have their diplomas held until the administration chooses to issue them at a date after the graduation ceremony. It is requested that audience members place electronic devices in a silent mode during the entire ceremony.

ATTIRE FOR COMMENCEMENT

No one is allowed to alter attire or add decorations to their cap or gown. Graduates who do not wear appropriate attire or who violate any WCPSS or GHHS standards of conduct, including guidelines in this bulletin, may be removed from the line and may not be allowed to participate in commencement activities. Honor cords will be worn only by members of the National Honor Society.

ACTION NEEDED

Graduates, complete [THIS FORM](#) and [THIS SLIDE](#) by January 20, 2023.