

HawkBlast for Seniors, 5/20/2018

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HOLLY SPRINGS HIGH SCHOOL | *Home of the Golden Hawks* **HawkBlast for Seniors | May 20, 2018**

Below are updates for seniors and their family leading up to our senior events. This week is the last full week of high school for your seniors. If there is anything we can do to help make the end great, please let us know.

Senior Breakfast – Monday, 5/21

We invite seniors to sleep in a bit on Monday and arrive at school at 8am. We will begin the senior breakfast at 8am. Through great partnership with IHOP of Holly Springs and generosity of parents, we will serve pancakes, eggs, bacon/sausage, hashbrowns, fruit, donuts & other yummy delights, etc. Seniors will not be marked absent from 1st period.

Interim Progress Reports

Interim progress reports came home last Tuesday. Please be sure you are reviewing current grades. With 9 days left before exams, we want to be sure that every senior goes into exams knowing that they will pass the course regardless of their exam grade.

Caps & Gowns

Ms. Young will be in her office (3602) during lunch on Monday & Tuesday (5/21 & 5/22) for anyone who needs to purchase a cap, gown, or tassel. Please bring cash or money order made out to Jostens (no personal checks). Prices are: Cap, Gown, & Tassel = \$75; Cap & Tassel = \$20; Tassel only - \$12. Remember that you CANNOT decorate your cap or gown.

Senior T-Shirts

Seniors can pick up their FREE (if you paid your senior dues) senior t-shirt in room 3626 on Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday this week during A Lunch. It's OK to have a friend pick up their t-shirt if they cannot get to the room.

Holly Grove ES Celebration – Wednesday, 5/23

Attention Seniors who signed up to participate in the Holly Grove ES celebration. This event will be on Wednesday, 5/23 in the afternoon. Key details can be found at [this link](#) and a hard copy will be given to seniors who are participating at the beginning of the week.

Scholarships

Students are reminded to turn in scholarships to Students Services for inclusion in our school total and so that we can include them as a part of our celebration on Friday at Senior Awards Day. Remember that you do not have to accept the scholarship for it to count – it just has to be offered.

Senior Awards Day – Friday, 5/25

Senior Awards Day is on Friday, May 25. Here are some key details for families and students:

- Seniors are asked to arrive at 7am and report to the auxiliary gym. We will need time to get them lined up and in their correct seats.
- Guests are invited to start arriving starting at 7:20am and they can report to the main gym. You will not need to sign in at the front office as long as you're going only to and from the main gym.
- Seniors should dress for senior awards day according to the same dress code that they will follow for graduation. Seniors DO wear their caps and gowns for this event. Students who have decorated caps & gowns will not be permitted to participate.
- The event will last about 2 hours and will conclude no later than 10am.
- We will call the names of each senior. We will present some scholarships but will not present every scholarship due to limitations on time. Parents will receive a specific invitation from the school if their student is receiving a departmental award in the second half of the program.
- Seniors are permitted to wear honor society cords that are distributed by and approved by the school. They are not permitted to wear non-school related cords.
- Seniors who are honor graduates will receive their honors stole during the awards day ceremony.
- Parking for senior awards day will be tight. Please look for direction from staff members in guiding you to a parking space. We will run out of parking at some point.

If you have other specific questions about senior awards day, please email Mr. Pittman (bpittman@wcpss.net).

Senior Picnic – Friday, 5/25

Senior picnic will happen after the awards day program. Here are key details:

- Seniors will be given time to change clothes and report to the stadium. Most seniors tend to wear their senior t-shirt to this event but that is not required.
- They will start with a senior class photo and then will enjoy food, fun, games, etc. with each other.
- Yearbooks will be distributed to seniors who purchased them prior to the senior picnic.
- There will be a form in the front office and in English IV & Civics classes starting on Monday that seniors can turn in at the front office to allow them to leave following the senior picnic. Students who have early release for 3rd and 4th period do not need to turn this in.
- Seniors who are not currently in academic standing to graduate based on their current grades will not be permitted to attend the picnic. They will instead attend a study hall to work on bringing their grades up.
- If you are still able to donate

Fines & Fees

Seniors must clear fines and fees prior to graduation. Seniors who owe fines or fees should receive a notice early this week to remind them of that. If you have questions about fines and fees, please see our bookkeeper Ms. Robertson (krobertson1@wcpss.net, 919.577.1444 ext. 23454).

Graduation Rehearsal – Thursday, 5/31

Graduation rehearsal is a required event for anyone who plans to participate in graduation. Please note the details below:

- Rehearsal is at the Raleigh Convention Center downtown on Thursday, May 31.
- Rehearsal starts at 3:30pm. Seniors are encouraged to arrive between 3:00 – 3:15pm so that we can start on time. Rehearsal will conclude by no later than 5:30pm.
- Dress for graduation rehearsal is casual (shorts & t-shirt are fine). Caps and gowns are not needed for graduation rehearsal.
- Seniors will be dismissed from school at the end of 3rd period to move toward RCC and arrive on time. Students will not be counted as absent from 4th period.
- Students are encouraged to carpool where possible as they will likely need to pay a fee for parking.
- Students will receive their 11 tickets for graduation at rehearsal. Students will not receive their tickets if fines & fees have not been paid.
- **Students must participate in graduation rehearsal in order to participate in graduation. If you know you have a conflict that you cannot resolve, the senior needs to speak with Mr. Pittman PRIOR to rehearsal.**

If you have other specific questions about graduation rehearsal, please email Mr. Pittman (bpittman@wcpss.net).

Exam Schedule & Exam Exemptions

The exam schedule can be found at [this link](#). Also, information on exam exemptions can be found at [this link](#). See Mr. Pittman with any questions.

Senior Signs

Senior Signs are still available. Check out [this link](#) for more information.

Graduation Details

Graduation is quickly moving towards us. Key details for graduation can be found at [this link](#). Please take a few moments to read over this if you have not yet.

HAVE A GREAT WEEK, SENIOR HAWKS!



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