

# Dear Waynedale Seniors and Parents :

# 2024

Congratulations! Graduation is fast approaching.  
We have details to clarify before the big day.

**All fees/fines must be paid by May 1 to ensure participation in graduation.**

**Please take time to review the GRADUATION INSTRUCTIONS:**

- Failure to comply with the formal dress requirements or violation of any school rule may result in denial of participation in the commencement ceremony.
- Seniors will be given 6 tickets if graduation is held indoors.
- **ALL SENIORS ARE REQUIRED TO BE AT THE PRACTICE ON MAY 23 AND AWARDS ASSEMBLY ON MAY 24 TO PARTICIPATE IN COMMENCEMENT.**



**TUESDAY, MAY 21 AND WEDNESDAY, MAY 22 - SENIOR EXAMS**

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**THURSDAY, MAY 23**

- Required last day of school (return books, clean out lockers, fill out your checklist sheet, etc.)
- **Bushwacker Day** (meet at Fairlawn at 7:10 am) - will do several laps around the parking lot, take a group picture, and then park by the entrance
- **Senior letterwinner pictures and future plan pictures** will be taken during 3rd period. Please bring your letterman jacket and wear a t-shirt of the college you will be attending in the fall, or military, missions, or work.
- **REQUIRED PRACTICE STARTS AT 11:42 IN THE GYM**



**FRIDAY, MAY 24**

**8:30AM** Waynedale gym

All Seniors need to be formally dressed with their wrinkle free gown and cap.

**Boys:** dress shirt, tie, pants, shoes (NO athletic shoes), socks

**Girls:** dress, appropriate dress shoes (NO flip flops)

**8:40AM SENIOR CLASS PICTURE, COMMENCEMENT PRACTICE, INDIVIDUAL PICTURE**

A formal class picture with the seniors in caps and gowns will be taken, we will practice commencement, and then individual pictures will be taken before the assembly. Graduates will have the opportunity to purchase a formal class picture and/or an individual photo receiving their diploma at commencement exercises. Purchasing information will follow. The pictures will be taken by Liberty Studios, and all money will be collected at this time (checks payable to Liberty Studios).

**10:00AM SENIOR AWARDS ASSEMBLY** – Waynedale gym, will conclude around 11:30

**Mr. Roth will provide lunch for seniors immediately following the assembly in the library**

**ALL SENIORS ARE REQUIRED TO BE AT THE PRACTICE AND AWARDS ASSEMBLY IN THEIR CAP AND GOWN TO PARTICIPATE IN COMMENCEMENT**



Seniors will receive their tickets for graduation after the awards assembly.

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## **SATURDAY, MAY 25**

### **7:00PM COMMENCEMENT**

Graduation will be held on the football field, weather permitting. In the case of inclement weather, graduation ceremonies will be held in the Waynedale High School gymnasium.

If graduation is held indoors, each senior will receive 6 tickets.

### **GRADUATION INSTRUCTIONS:**

- **MEET AT 6:00PM** in the high school cafeteria

- Formal dress

BOYS: dress pants (dark colors look best), dress shirt and tie, dress shoes, dark socks

GIRLS: dresses should not be longer than gown (light colors preferred)

**NO SHORTS, JEANS, TENNIS SHOES, FLIP-FLOPS, SUNGLASSES, CELL PHONES, GUM**

### **WEARING THE CAP AND GOWN**

**GOWN** should be as wrinkle free as possible (**DO NOT IRON**)

**CAP** should be worn straight on the head, never tipped in any direction

**Please write your name in pen on the inside of your cap**

**CAP SHALL NOT BE ALTERED OR DECORATED**

*Girls* never remove their caps

*Boys* remove their caps on the following occasions:

- National Anthem
- Invocation
- Alma Mater
- Benediction

**TASSEL** should be worn on the **right** until announced to change and securely attached to cap

Traditional throwing of your cap...

**OUTSIDE:** After exiting your chairs during recessional, gather together on the visitor's side of the football field. Someone will lead you with a count of 1, 2, 3...then throw your caps.

**INSIDE:** Stay in your seats and you will be led with a count of 1, 2, 3...then throw your caps.

You will pick up your cap and get back to your seat. Then there is the recessional.

### **Everyone Stands for:**

- National Anthem
- Invocation

- Alma Mater
- Tassel Change

- Benediction
- Cap Toss

**Diplomas** are received with the left hand. Shake hands with the right hand over left.

You will pick up your actual diploma in the concession stand of the stadium immediately following commencement exercises ASAP. You must pick up your diploma yourself.

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If you have any questions, feel free to contact Mrs. Walton at [soea\\_walton@tccsa.net](mailto:soea_walton@tccsa.net)

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All seniors must complete the **Class of 2024 Graduate Info Form** by Friday, May 10.   
This information is important for our senior awards ceremony and for final transcript delivery.

You can access the form in Google Classroom or at this link:

<https://forms.gle/xRiGh58fDhVmS5uEA>