WGHS CLASS OF 2019

GRADUATION INFORMATION

May 17 will be upon us before you know it. Below is everything you need to know prior to graduation.

The payment for cap and gown is $29.00 (non-refundable), and checks should be made to WGHS. Students have already been asked to verify how they wish their name to appear on their diploma. Since it is an official document, the student’s first, middle and last name should appear.

On September 20 and 21, 2018, a representative from Jostens will be in the cafeteria during both lunches for seniors to order class rings and graduation announcements. If you still need to order a class ring or graduation announcements, please visit www.jostens.com.

Please discuss these items with your senior since some things may be more important to you as a parent than they are to your student. Specifics on rings and announcements can be answered directly by our Jostens representative, Chris Cuquet at 961-8875.

PREPARATION FOR GRADUATION

Senior baby photos for the 2019 Echo Yearbook are due by September 28. Submit at https://goo.gl/EdpVh. If you submit a photo after September 28, a late fee of $10 will be added, and there is no guarantee that your photo will be used. Please contact Ms. Keane if you have any questions at 314.963.6400, ext. 11222. Your calls will be returned promptly.

Regular class work continues in all classes for the members of the Class of 2019 through 2:35 p.m. on Wednesday, May 8. The last weeks of the school term are crucial for seniors. Each senior must be certain that all required work such as class assignments, special reports, projects, and tests are turned in/completed by Friday, May 10. Senior exams will begin on May 8.

All financial obligations must be paid by May 10. This includes the return of all textbooks, library books, classroom fees, sports uniforms/activity fees, and equipment. A diploma will not be issued until all financial obligations are met.

MAY 17, 2019 6:30 P.M. MOSS FIELD
Senior activities are coordinated through the Activities Office. Please call Kim Edwards at 918-4176 if you have any questions or concerns.

**IMPORTANT SENIOR DATES**

- September 19, STLCC College Fair, 6:00 p.m., Meramec Community College
- October 6, SAT
- October 31, Senior Class Picture
- November 3, SAT
- December 1, SAT
- December 8, ACT
- February 9, ACT
- February 19, Distribute Senior Packets, 3rd hour
- April 9, Senior Day
- April 13, ACT
- April 19, Top Hat Awards, 7:15 a.m.
- April 27, Prom
- May 2, Senior Awards Night, 7:00 p.m.
- May 8, First Day of Senior Checkout
- May 10, Last Day for Seniors
- May 16, Graduation Rehearsal, Roberts Gym, 2:45 p.m.
- May 17, Graduation, Moss Field, 6:30 p.m.
- May 17, All-night Party

**COLLEGE AND CAREER PLANNING CHECKLIST**

- **September-December**
  - Begin completing applications for admission (most students apply to 3-7 schools).
  - Ask teachers and your counselor for a letter of recommendation, if applicable.
  - Request your transcripts through Naviance.
  - Don’t forget to request your official test scores from ACT or SAT.
  - Keep a spreadsheet or calendar to organize your applications and due dates.
  - Submit the FAFSA as quickly as possible (opens October 1) in order to be eligible for the most financial aid.
- **December—Apply for local scholarships (Mrs. Cashel will send more information).**
- **January**
  - Continue to work hard on your studies. Your high school courses continue to count throughout your senior year.
  - Give all Mid-Year report forms to your counselor, if applicable.
  - Submit the FAFSA online if you have not already done so.
- **February-March**
  - Continue to monitor your applications to be sure that all materials are sent and received on time.
  - Watch for financial aid awards from each college. Carefully assess each with regard to how much of your need the award will cover. Inquire about other financing plans if a college does not meet your total need.
- **May**
  - Decide where you want to go. May 1 is National College Decision Day.
  - Take Advanced Placement (AP) examinations if appropriate. Many colleges offer advanced standing based on AP exam results.