

Class of 2019 Final Days

To: The Class of 2019
From: Mr. Fries and Senior Class Officers
Re: Class Night, Class Photo, Baccalaureate, Graduation Walk, Graduation Practice & Commencement
Date: May, 2019

****Your final days at Boyertown are at hand. During these remaining days there are a number of events of which you should be aware in order to mark your calendar. Remember, school is not over yet, and in order to participate in Commencement Ceremony 2019, you must meet ALL graduation requirements, fulfill ALL obligations, including any financial and disciplinary consequences.**

Wednesday, May 22, 2019 -Class Night, 7:00 P.M. / Main Auditorium

1. The Class Night program is a ceremony to bestow students in the senior class with awards and scholarships. Class night will be held on Wednesday, May 22nd at 7:00 p.m. in the senior high auditorium. Enter the building at the Auditorium entrance. Award recipients will be receiving a special invitation in the mail. Directions for how to RSVP to this event are listed on the invitation.
2. Appropriate dress for Class Night:
Students should dress appropriately. Dresses or skirts and tops, or dress pants, button-down dress shirt and tie (with jackets optional). No sneakers or jeans!

Thursday, May 23 Cap and Gown Photo (operating on an AM Assembly Schedule)

BASH Bear Gym (**a BCTC bus will be held**). All seniors will report to their Homerooms at 7:40 A.M. to receive their caps and gowns and then will report to the Main Auditorium at 7:47 A.M. with their belongings. At that time, seniors will quickly dress in caps and gowns for the senior class group photo. From the Auditorium, you will be directed to the BEAR GYM for your photo. If you wish to order the senior class cap and gown photo, order forms and online ordering instructions were distributed in Homeroom the week of May 13th; order forms may be returned to Mr. Fries in room 302 by Wednesday, May 22nd. Extra picture forms will be available in the auditorium if you wish to purchase the photo before leaving the picture.

Monday May 20 - Day 6 Through Friday May 31 – Day 2:

1:1 Laptop Computer – SENIORS ONLY The purpose of this email is inform you of upcoming important dates for returning your district 1-to-1 computer. Due to board policy and decisions by senior leadership, there will not be an option to purchase your student HP Laptops, so all HP 1-to-1 laptops will need to returned and checked for damage and functionality prior to graduation. In order to make this more seamless and easier for the students, we will open laptop returns beginning on May 20, 2019 for any students that will not need their laptops for finals or projects and want to get this process completed ahead of time. For those students who still require use of their laptops after May 20th, you will be able to turn in their devices any time up to May 31st. We are staggering the return process in an effort to spread out the mass of students returning laptops, thereby allowing the IT Department to physically check and verify that the devices are in working order with no damage in a controlled manner. For those devices that have damage, the IT Department will need to evaluate and receive either full payment or the deductible payment (Cash or Money order) prior to graduation. IF your laptops currently have any damage or issues that would need to be repaired, please bring those devices down to the IT

Support Center to get the process of repair reported and documented as soon as you can, this will help move the return process along. Note: Please have your laptops fully charged prior to bringing it to the IT Support Center for evaluation. If your laptop is not charged enough to power on, students will need to wait while they are charged before we can check them. We appreciate everyone's patience and support. Also, if you have any information stored on your school account cloud that you want for future use, please move it to your private account. **If you do not return or pay for computer, power cord, and charger and/or damages (obligations) by Thursday, June 6, 2019 (3:00 p.m.), you WILL NOT PARTICIPATE IN COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY 2019.**

Sunday, June 2. Baccalaureate 2019 at 7:00 P.M. / Main Auditorium

1. Baccalaureate is a tradition associated with graduation dating back to the Middle Ages. Baccalaureate is a spiritual program, organized by members of the Class of 2019 and B.A.M.A., designed to inspire you as graduates. All students and their families are invited to attend this program.
2. The Baccalaureate program will be held on Sunday, June 2nd, at 7:00 p.m. in the Main Auditorium. Relatives and friends are invited to attend.
3. Appropriate dress for Baccalaureate: Sunday dress! No sneakers or jeans!

Thursday, June 6- "Graduation Walk"- Time TBD (approximately 10:20AM-11:00AM)

Seniors are not required to attend school this day. Instead, they are encouraged to participate in the first annual "Graduation Walk" at the elementary school of their choice. Seniors will parade through the halls of their former elementary schools, serving as a role model to future graduates while receiving accolades and well-wishes from their former teachers. Seniors are responsible for the own transportation to and from the elementary schools on this day. Seniors will commit to attending this function through Google forms in school during the Month of May where exact details will be provided. We hope that all seniors will take part on this heartwarming and special moment! Check student emails and Dr. Foley's weekly bulletin for further details.

Graduation Rehearsal / Picnic sponsored by Class of 2019

****SENIORS MUST HAVE THEIR SCHOOL I.D. FOR ATTENDANCE PURPOSES****

Friday, June 7th 2019 at 7:40 A.M. Commencement Ceremony Practice 2019

(Check Class of 2019 webpage for information updates)

Mandatory Class of 2019 commencement ceremony practice is scheduled for Friday, June 7, 2019. Eligible graduating seniors wanting to participate in Commencement Ceremony 2019 MUST arrive at the BASH auditorium by 7:40AM for an 8:00AM departure to the Santander Arena via. Students must provide their own transportation to the school. District transportation will be provided to and from practice at Santander Arena (**NO ONE MAY DRIVE ON HIS/HER OWN TO REHEARSAL**). The Class of 2019 will be providing a picnic/cookout in the Bear Stadium for our seniors upon return from Commencement Ceremony Practice 2019. It is anticipated we will be returning to BASH from Commencement Ceremony Practice by 11:30AM. You must provide your own transportation home from BASH. Please plan your day accordingly.

***All seniors must attend the entire Commencement Ceremony 2019 practice in order to participate in the commencement ceremonies. NO EXCEPTIONS...YOU MAY NOT LEAVE EARLY!**

Graduation Rehearsal

1. Seating will be in alternating rows of males/females, starting with females.
2. Any student with severe discipline issues will be given a seat by Mr. Maoury.
3. Instructions will be given on how to process into and recess out of the arena on graduation night. A practice session will follow the instructions. This takes time. STAY ALERT! (Remember your place in line.)
4. Instructions will be given on the procedures for receiving your diploma (from Dr. Bedden or Dr. Foley), and getting your picture taken as you cross the stage during the graduation ceremony.
5. When arriving at your seat in the arena on Friday evening, June 7th, you are to remain standing until all graduating seniors have arrived and you are given the signal to be seated by your Class President.
6. Seniors will be dismissed for the day (June 7th) only after the commencement ceremony practice 2019 has been completed and we have returned to BASH, probably by 11:30 a.m. Your full cooperation is required in order to ensure an early dismissal. You may not leave to go to any appointment, work, or any other reason prior to that time. Again, students must arrange for transportation on their own to and from BASH this day.

Commencement – Friday, June 7th, 2019 at Santander Arena at 7:00 P.M **(Doors open to the public at 6:00 P.M.)**

Each graduating senior will receive eight (8) tickets for the Commencement Ceremony 2019. Tickets will be handed out in Homeroom on the morning of Thursday, May 23 along with their caps and gowns.

****Commencement ceremonies are traditionally solemn and dignified.**
Please refrain from behavior of any type which will detract from that tone. **

1. Graduating seniors are to report to the Santander Arena on Friday, June 7th, at 5:30 PM. Students are to park in the available parking garages (\$5.00) adjacent to the arena and enter the arena through the 8th Street & Penn Avenue entrance. ALL students are subject to be searched and they may only have their cap, gown, school ID, and car key with them for the ceremony. Seniors are not permitted to bring anything else to graduation with them and this includes cell phones, electronic devices, make-up, etc. Once students have been searched, they must report to their assigned area (behind stage) under the arena seating to put their cap and gown on for the ceremony. All seniors should start lining up for the Commencement Ceremony 2019 at 6:30 PM under the arena seating
2. Appropriate Dress for Commencement:
Students must wear appropriate clothes under their gowns. Dresses, or skirts with a top, or dress pants, shirts, and ties are the only acceptable clothes. Seniors may keep both tassels.
No sneakers, shorts, jeans, T-shirts, or open-toe shoes/ flip-flops!

3. If a senior purchased the senior class cap & gown photo, it will be shipped to your home address.
4. Each graduating senior will receive **eight (8) tickets** for the Commencement Ceremony. Admission into the arena will be by ticket only. Distribution of the tickets will be through homeroom prior to graduation. Handicapped seating is available and appropriately marked in the Santander arena.
5. Due to security reasons, no parents, siblings, friends, etc. are allowed below arena seating the night of Commencement. Please plan to meet your family members outside of the arena after you have finished collecting your packet behind the stage post commencement ceremony.
6. **To receive your diploma on June 7th**, seniors must have satisfied all academic credits and all fines, lost book money, detentions, and any other obligations must be cleared. All obligations must be cleared by **Thursday, June 6th 3 P.M.** in order to participate in the graduation ceremony and receive your diploma on June 7th.

Graduation-Diploma pictures

At this year's graduation ceremony, pictures will be taken of all graduating seniors receiving their diploma from either Dr. Bedden or Dr. Foley as they cross in front of the diploma table. If you wish to purchase this memory, you may do so by visiting events.lifetouch.com. Visit events.lifetouch.com to sign up and receive notification when your proofs are online and ready to order. The preview of the pictures will be available 5 to 7 days after graduation on the BASD website so families and students may preview the photos. Registered members will be sent notification when the photos will be ready for order. Follow the instructions to order and receive your Graduation/Diploma picture.

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