

Senior Activities, Graduation 2012

1. **GRADUATION SUPPLIES:** (CAPS AND GOWNS, ANNOUNCEMENTS, ETC.) These have been issued at the school, but if there are concerns, contact Herff-Jones **immediately** at 244-0110.
2. **SENIOR AWARDS NIGHT: May 10th 7:00pm** TRHS Auditorium. All recipients will be notified in advance and should be dressed appropriately and lined up in the commons area at 6:50pm. We encourage guests and parents to attend as we recognize the accomplishments of our students.
3. **YEARBOOK DAY FOR SENIORS: May 15th** Seniors will participate in a special assembly
4. **SENIOR LAST DAY BEFORE FINAL EXAMS: May 16th** Last day of regular classes
5. **SENIORS' FINAL EXAMS: May 17th and May 18th**. Make up exams May 21
6. **APPROPRIATE DRESS:** (Commencement) Caps and gowns are to be worn (have pressed, if wrinkled) Caps are to be worn level on head with the tassel on the right side. **GIRLS-** dresses, low heeled, dark shoes, bring hairpins for cap. Please sew collar to gown before arriving. Dresses should be shorter than the gown. Do NOT bring your purse or valuables to graduation. Leave them with your parents or a friend. (NO SHORTS !!) **BOYS** – dark shoes, light shirt with tie, dark slacks, socks are required. (No jeans, shorts, tennis shoes, flip flops, etc.) **YOU MUST FOLLOW THE APPROPRIATE GUIDELINES FOR DRESS IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE !!!**
7. **GRADUATION PRACTICES:**
 - ***May 25th 8:45 a.m. at TRHS Auditorium** You will receive graduation tickets in the lobby before you are seated. You will be issued 12 tickets for family members and friends. Tickets are required to get into graduation, and to discourage disruptive persons in the audience. You will be given an assigned seat number. Arrive at school by 8:45 in order to get your tickets, find your seat, and be ready to begin practice at 9:00 am.
 - ***May 29th 9:00 am Timmons Arena**
Seniors should arrive and enter in the main lobby by 8:45 a.m. Come downstairs and find your seat. Caps and heels that will be worn during actual commencement should be brought to this practice. Extra tickets will be available for purchase after practice for \$5.00 each. **Cash only.** Please bring correct change.

 - *ALL SENIORS WHO PLAN TO PARTICIPATE IN THE COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY ARE REQUIRED TO ATTEND BOTH REHEARSALS. THERE WILL BE NO EXCEPTIONS!!!** Appropriate dress for practices is regular school attire. In order to have a ceremony we will be proud of, practices are required. Parking is free for rehearsal, as well as graduation. Seniors are responsible for their own transportation.
8. **COMMENCEMENT: June 1st 9:00a.m.– TIMMONS ARENA/FURMAN**
Seniors should arrive by 8:30. They are responsible for their own transportation and there is no charge for parking for anyone. Seniors who are late, dressed inappropriately, or are questionable in their behavior WILL NOT be able to participate. This also applies to parents and/or guests who do not act in an appropriate fashion during commencement. They will not be able to remain for the duration of the ceremony and will be escorted out. Parents will not be allowed to enter the downstairs area of the arena at any time. Seniors are to come upstairs and exit through the main lobby. Furman has requested that all traffic enter the campus through the Duncan Chapel Road entrance and exit through the main gate at Poinsett Hwy
9. **FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS: Due by 4:00 on May 29.** Diplomas and certificates will not be issued until all financial obligations have been cleared. These include textbooks, library book, fines, fundraiser monies, and senior class fees. You will be given a blank diploma cover if you owe money.
10. **FINAL TRANSCRIPTS:** If a transcript needs to be sent to a school or business, seniors **must sign a form** before a copy of their transcript can be sent. Seniors received forms in Connections on April 30. Forms are currently available online and in the guidance office. Completed forms must be turned in before graduation tickets are distributed on May 25.
11. **GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS:** Only students who have fulfilled all requirements to receive a state high school diploma or certificate will be allowed to participate in graduation activities.

GRADUATION PICTURES – Piedmont Portraits will make pictures at graduation. Viewing and purchasing will be done online at piedmontportraits.com