

April (just about) in the rearview mirror...

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Please see the Class of 2023 <u>FAQ</u> for everything related to the end of the year (prom, graduation, and more). If there are additional questions, you can submit them using the Google Form <u>HERE</u>.

Good afternoon Class of 2023,

As we turn the calendar to May on Monday, things are really heating up in the senior center. So many opportunities to celebrate with one another are finally upon us with the commencement ceremony just 45 days away! Be sure to check Schoology every day for important updates/reminders from the senior team!

For my remaining emails to the Class of 2023, I am going to change the format leading up to graduation. I have added a section for new announcements/information and a section with old announcements/information...hope it helps!

That said, please read on...

New Information

- 1. <u>College Decision Day:</u> Reminder that May 1st is National College Decision Day. If you have not done so already, make your deposit for the college you will be attending in the fall. If you are unsure of what to do, check out the following:
 - I've accepted & made a deposit
 - I've accepted but have not made a deposit
- 2. <u>PHEAA Webinars:</u> If you have finalized your college choice (or will do so this weekend!) PHEAA is offering some free webinars on managing the financial aspects of college. Check out the flier HERE for more information on these webinars.
- Pop-up Prom Boutique: Need a dress for senior prom? Come to Room 151 after school
 the next two weeks to see the selection of dresses available at UDHS. Check out the flier
 HERE for additional information.

- 4. <u>After Prom:</u> Seniors that attend after prom at UDHS will be able to leave at 3 AM. We are working with UD Police Department to make sure that there is a window of time for which they are able to get home without penalty. More information will be shared with students/families once we solidify plans.
- 5. <u>Graduation Announcements:</u> If you are interested, Balfour has graduation announcements that you can purchase from their site <u>HERE</u>. The turnaround time is about three (3) weeks, so if interested, order now! Unlike the caps and gowns, orders will be shipped directly to your home address.

Old Information

- Prom tickets: Tickets for prom will be sold before and after school starting on Monday, May 8th. Hard copies of the permission slip and guest forms are available OUTSIDE the senior center. In order to purchase a ticket, seniors will need the following:
 - Completed and uploaded their work based learning certificates
 - Have 85 or more Royal Points
 - Completed <u>permission form</u> (available at the senior center)
 - Valid UDHS 22-23 student ID
 - \$70/ticket (Price increases to \$75 starting on May 22nd)
 - *Each table seats ten (10) guests, and if you want to be able to sit with your friends, then you should all plan to purchase tickets at the same time. We will NOT reserve seats.
 - **Bringing a non-UDHS senior (this includes underclassmen from UDHS)? Then your guest will need to complete the <u>guest permission form</u> (available at the senior center).
 - ***Interested in pictures at prom? Check out more information from Barksdale HERE.
- 2. <u>Cap & Gowns:</u> Did you miss out on the window to order your cap & gown? No worries, you can still reserve one using the Google form <u>HERE</u>. Please note the following about these reservations:
 - Must complete and submit this form by May 31, 2023
 - Payment will be cash **ONLY**
 - Ordered items will be available on June 9, 2023 (after rehearsal)
- 3. Name Pronunciation: If you have not done so yet, please use the Google form HERE to upload your name spelled out phonetically. You can also upload a recording of yourself saying your name. This will enable your counselor to start practicing for June 12th!

4. <u>Senior Acceptances:</u> We are asking seniors that have received their acceptance letters to update Naviance with that information AND complete the Google Form <u>HERE</u>. This will be extremely helpful information for our counselors to be able to access.

As a reminder, be sure to check your email regularly for updates from the school(s) that you have applied to. Some of the schools have time sensitive information regarding financial aid and when/how to communicate your acceptance. Please reach out to your counselor with any questions.

*If Ms. Guidone is your counselor, please email me with your questions. I will either answer them or direct you to another of the counselors who can assist you.

5. <u>Work Based Learning:</u> The number of submissions is ticking upwards, but still far too many seniors have not completed this requirement. Prom tickets go on sale in about three (3) weeks and seniors <u>will not be able to purchase a ticket</u> until this has been fulfilled!

Please submit the five (5) certificates of completion via the Google Form HERE.

- 6. <u>Semester Two Calendar:</u> Please see the calendar <u>HERE</u> that contains the daily schedule for each day of the last semester. As they do change frequently, it is a simple way to know what bell schedule we are running on a particular day!
- 7. **Royal Points:** Everyone started the year with 100 points (It shows in your HAC as a percentage grade under the course "Class of 2023"...i.e. Everyone started with 100%). Remember that if you do not have 85 or more points, you are not eligible to attend sporting events, participate in extracurricular activities (teams, clubs, dances, etc.)

If you need to earn back Royal Points, stop by the senior center and pick up a Royal Recovery form. Completed forms are submitted to Mr. Gentile for review and approval, and each approved form earns you back 5 points!

Have a great weekend...only just five (5) weeks left until finals!

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