WEST MECKLNEBURG HIGH SCHOOL

Class of 2023 Senior Newsletter

Friday, May 26, 2023

Stay in the Know:

- ✓ EOY TESTING
- ✓ ATTENDANCE RECOVERY
- ✓ GRADUATION

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Senior Financial Obligations

Students, you must settle any debts you have accrued during your tenure with Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools. (CMS) Students who owe money to CMS *cannot* participate in the graduation exercises and will not receive a diploma until the debt is paid. Examples of debts include textbooks, library books, lunch fees, lost/stolen or damaged chrome books, unreturned uniform, etc. If you have questions about your financial obligation, see your Counselor. Financial obligations should be paid by the end of the school day on Friday, June 2, 2023.

What Happens if I Fail a Course Needed for Graduation?

Seniors who fail a course/courses needed to fulfill graduation requirements will be contacted by their school counselor to discuss options for completing their high school graduation requirements. Seniors who **do not** meet their graduation requirements are **not** allowed to participate in the graduation ceremony on June 10, 2023. Please contact your school counselor if you are unsure of your current status for graduation.

Graduation cap and gown

- CAP AND GOWN can be purchased at this link https://srgrad.com/collections/west-mecklenburg-high-school
- Bring your receipt to your Counselor and you can receive your cap and gown.
- If you are unable to purchase, speak with your Counselor ASAP.

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Upcoming Events

May 25-June 8—EOY Testing

June 2—Graduation Rehearsal

@ 2:30. (All seniors should arrive at Bojangles Coliseum by 1:30.)

June 10—Graduation Ceremony

@ 7 p.m. (Graduating seniors should arrive at Bojangles' Coliseum by 6 p.m.)

EOY TESTING SCHEDULE:

Thursday, May 25th - 1ST-1A, 2ND, 3RD

Friday, May 26th-NO TESTING

Tuesday, May 30th-2ND (makeups), 2A, 3RD, 2B, 4TH

Wednesday, May 31st-3rd(makeups), 3a,4th, 3b, 1st review/makeups

Thursday, June 1st-4th (makeups), 4a, 1st (makeups) 4b, 2nd block makeups

Friday, June 2nd-Yearlong EOCS, English II (makeups)

June 5th -June 9th EOCs 1st-4th block exams/makeups

GRADUATION REHEARSAL



Bojangles Coliseum Thursday, June 2, 2023 2:30-4pm.

Rehearsal is mandatory!

Note: All seniors must report to Bojangles' Coliseum by 1:30 p.m. for rehearsal. Be on time.

- Rehearsal is MANDATORY! Seniors who do not attend rehearsal
 will NOT participate in the graduation ceremony. If you are
 planning to participate in the graduation ceremony, you must be at
 the rehearsal. This is CMS School Board policy. See Principal
 Bundrick if you have questions.
- Appropriate dress and behavior are required at the graduation rehearsal. If you are not allowed to wear it at school, do not wear it to the rehearsal. Graduation rehearsal is a CMS activity and all CMS rules and policies apply and they will be enforced.
- Caps and gowns are not required for rehearsal. Do not bring your cap and gown to rehearsal.
- Seniors must report to Bojangles Coliseum by 1:30 p.m. and will enter Bojangles' Coliseum from the parking lot entrance.
- Upon arrival, students should immediately line up in alpha order by last name and await further instructions from school staff and/or Bojangles Coliseum staff.
- Rehearsal is CLOSED to outside guests. Parent, guardians, children, siblings, out-of-town guests, etc., are **not** permitted to attend the rehearsal.
- Do **not** bring electronic devices, such as iPads, iPods, etc., to the rehearsal. **Cell phones must be in the silent mode and out of sight** during the entire rehearsal. They are NOT to be used or seen during the rehearsal. Earphones and headphones are not to be worn or seen during the rehearsal.
- Hats, hoods, and shades are not to be worn during the rehearsal.
- No food or beverages are permitted in the Coliseum.

GRADUATION CEREMONY



Bojangles Coliseum Saturday, June 10, 2023 7 p.m.

Be on time!

Note: Graduating seniors must report to Bojangles' Coliseum by 6 p.m. on graduation day. Be on time.

- Students who owe fees will NOT be allowed to participate in the graduation ceremony and will need to clear their financial obligation before being allowed to receive their diploma.
- All seniors participating in the ceremony MUST wear the school
 designated cap and gown and wear appropriate dark footwear and
 appropriate attire underneath the gown. Students must wear dark
 (black, blue, or brown) slacks, skirts or dresses. If a dress or skirt is
 worn, the hemline of the dress or skirt should not fall below the
 hemline of the gown. Also, caps and gowns should NOT be decorated
 in any way. Only school approved tassels, cords, stoles, or pins are
 permitted.
- Students should wear dark colored (black, blue, or brown) shoes that are comfortable and easy to walk in for the duration of the ceremony.
- The graduation ceremony is a serious program, not a sporting event. Appropriate participant and audience behavior are essential to maintaining the dignity of the program. We ask that you show the same respect to all families and guests, as you expect your peers and their guests to show you.
- Graduating seniors will receive their diploma cover on stage and their actual diploma after the graduation ceremony.
- Seniors are not permitted to chew gum during the ceremony.
- Do not bring electronic devices to the ceremony. Cell phones must be
 in the silent mode and out of sight. They are NOT to be used or seen
 during the ceremony. Earphones and headphones are NOT to be worn
 or seen during the ceremony. Headscarves, fronts (grills), and
 purses/handbags are NOT allowed. Do not bring these items to the
 ceremony.
- Students and guests are NOT allowed to bring the following items into the graduation venue: flowers, duffel bags, fanny packs, backpacks, gifts, balloons, air horns, and noisemakers. Also, no food or beverages are permitted in the Coliseum.

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