

# MID-YEAR GRADUATION CEREMONY

## JANUARY 7, 2012

### GRADUATE ARRIVAL INFORMATION

Graduates are to assemble in the East Campus Band Room at **12:15 pm.** for Graduation practice. (Please enter through the auditorium doors.)

Parking will be available in the East Campus lots.

### GRADUATE DECORUM INFORMATION

We believe that graduation from high school represents a significant step in a young adult's life. Because of this belief, the following procedures will be in effect to insure appropriate decorum at the graduation ceremony.

1. Graduates will be **required** to be well dressed for the ceremony. Male graduates will be expected to wear *dress shoes, dress slacks, dress shirts (with collars), and ties*. Female graduates will be expected to wear *dresses, or other appropriate semi-formal attire, and dress shoes*.  
**Note: If your student shows up on the day of graduation improperly dressed, he/she will not be allowed to participate in the ceremony.**
2. **Graduates and guests will be expected to maintain appropriate and respectful behavior during the ceremony.**
3. Graduates will be expected to march quietly to the platform to receive their diploma cover and return to their seats. Diplomas will be distributed in the east campus gymnasium immediately following the ceremony. **Graduates who are identified as not displaying appropriate behavior will not receive their diplomas that day.** Diplomas that are held because of a graduate's inappropriate behavior may be picked up by the graduate's parents on Monday, January 9, 2012 in the Dean of Students' Office at East Campus between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.

### PARENT/GUEST INFORMATION

Parents/Guests should plan on arriving at East Campus at least on-half hour before the ceremony.

The auditorium doors will open at **1:15 pm.**

### GUEST DECORUM

We ask that parents/guests refrain from **shouting, using noise makers,** etc., to preserve the dignity of the ceremony. This will allow all parents to hear their child's name announced. **Guests are expected to remain seated during the entire ceremony and are asked not to leave the Auditorium until the graduates have exited.** Please make prior arrangements to meet your child after the ceremony.

## PHOTOGRAPHS

We ask that parents/guests who want to take photographs at the ceremony do so from the seats reserved for parents/guests. We have enlisted the services of a photographer who will take photographs of all graduates as they receive their diplomas.

## FLOWERS/BALLOONS/GIFTS

Balloons, flowers or other gifts **will not** be allowed into the auditorium during the ceremony. Family members and/or guests are asked to present gifts to the graduates **after** the ceremony.

Our purpose in having a formal ceremony is to provide recognition appropriate to the occasion. We do hope you will encourage your son or daughter to participate, for we want them to receive the recognition they deserve. Your cooperation and assistance in helping us to have a meaningful ceremony is appreciated.

Lastly graduation is a special time for your family. If you have any concerns about your student not being able to graduate on time because of grading issues or lack of credits necessary to graduate, we encourage you to make contact with their teachers and or counselors.

Sincerely,

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