

May 8, 2024,

Dear Parents, Guardians, and Students of the Class of 2024,

As May is upon us, we are excited to share information about our upcoming graduation ceremony. This year's commencement ceremony is scheduled for Saturday, June 29, 2024, at 10:00 a.m. at the C. Ashley Morgan Football Field on the grounds of Warwick Valley High School.

Any student who has satisfactorily completed all graduation requirements will be permitted to participate in the graduation ceremony and all related graduation activities of his or her graduating class subject to certain exceptions. Students may be prohibited from participating in the graduation ceremony or related graduation activities as a consequence of violating the District's Code of Conduct.

Seniors must return all their textbooks and Chromebooks and/or have fines paid by Friday, June 21, 2024. Students with outstanding textbooks, Chromebooks, or fines jeopardize their participation in the graduation ceremony. All outstanding textbooks, Chromebooks, and fines can be returned to the High School Office after June 13, 2024, the last day of classes

The graduation rehearsal and graduation day agenda are enclosed and will be distributed to all seniors. Any questions concerning the agenda should be directed to the Senior Class Advisor, Mr. Carlos Barquero at charquero wycsd.org.

COMPULSORY REHEARSAL:

- All seniors are required to attend the MANDATORY REHEARSAL on Thursday, June 27, 2024, at 10:00 a.m., to review commencement procedures.
 If there are extenuating circumstances for which a student is unable to attend, they must notify Mrs. Diopoulos before June 27th.
- The cap and gown packages will be distributed to seniors at rehearsal.
- Inside your cap and gown package, there will be a tassel and stole as well as any cords, sashes, and medals that have been earned for specific academic and service recognitions. Graduates are permitted to wear only the accessories provided in their cap and gown package. Graduates may tastefully decorate their caps to represent their individual interests or future plans.
- In case of inclement weather, our ceremony will be held in the gym on Saturday, June 29, 2024 at 10:00 a.m. When picking up their cap and gown all students will sign for their inclement weather tickets. Lost tickets may not be replaced due to limited space.
 - o Each student will receive 5 tickets:
 - Two tickets for the gymnasium if graduation is moved indoors due to weather.
 - Three tickets will be given for the auditorium live remote broadcast.
 - Unfortunately, there are no additional tickets for the indoor ceremony as space is limited.
- At rehearsal, we will practice both indoor and outdoor graduation procedures.



DRESS AND BEHAVIOR GUIDELINES:

Our commencement ceremony is a dignified event that recognizes significant student achievement and accomplishment. We respectfully ask for your cooperation and understanding in reinforcing the following participation guidelines with your child:

- Students are expected to dress appropriately, e.g., dresses, skirts, dress pants, a collared shirt or a shirt and tie, as part of the cap and gown attire. Flip-flops and sneakers will not be permitted.
- It is recommended that students wear a flat, wedge, or block heel, as the ceremony takes place on the field. Spiked heels will not be permitted.
- Appropriate, dignified behavior is expected of all students. Behavior that disrupts the ceremony will not be
 tolerated, and any students involved in inappropriate behavior will jeopardize receiving their diploma and/or
 participating in the ceremony.
- Every graduate will have their photo taken by the District Communications photographer. These photographs will be available to families on the district website following the ceremony.
- Please be considerate of others and do not stand or block others' views to take photos.

GRADUATION:

Graduation is on Saturday, June 29, 2024 at 10:00 a.m.
The ceremony will be live-streamed on the district website.
All Graduates are expected to be properly dressed and in their assigned classrooms by 8:45 a.m.
Final check-in will be at 9:00 a.m.

For those that require a cooler setting, the high school auditorium will be open to view the ceremony which will be broadcast live on the big screen.

The administration, faculty, and staff members join in celebrating this educational milestone, aiming to create a memorable and dignified graduation ceremony for our students, families, and community members. We appreciate your full support in ensuring that this day becomes one the students can look back on with pride.

I look forward to seeing you at the commencement ceremony.

Sincerely.

Georgianna Diopoulos Principal Warwick Valley High School

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