

JOHN HERSEY HIGH SCHOOL 2012



TICKETS

Commencement tickets, which are given out during graduation rehearsal on Friday, June 1st, **will not be distributed to those seniors who have outstanding obligations** to the library for books, teachers for textbooks, coaches for uniforms, shop teacher for fees, etc. A list of those students with obligations will be posted by May 22, in the **outside of Student Services in the Main Office window**. Please check this list prior to rehearsal. Those seniors with outstanding obligations must pay any fines and/or turn in any books or equipment to Mrs. Flickinger in the Main Office.

EXTRA TICKETS FOR GRADUATION

Each family of graduates receives four tickets. Sign-up for extra tickets took place from Monday, March 5 to Friday, March 16. Graduates signed up in the Main Office. A list of ticket distribution was posted outside of the Student Activities Office on April 2nd. **No family has received more than a total of 8 tickets (6 in the gym), as the gym is limited to 2,000 seats.**

CALENDAR FOR SENIORS

MAY 7 thru 18 Advanced Placement Exams

MAY 16 WEDNESDAY - Prom and Post Prom tickets on sale in the Cafeteria 3:30 - 7:00pm

MAY 24 - 25 FINAL EXAMS/ASSESSMENTS FOR SENIORS

May 24, Thursday - Final Exams Periods 2, 4, 6 and 8

May 25, Friday - Final Exams Periods 1, 3, 5, and 7

All seniors must complete final assessments (exams, projects, presentations, etc.), by Tuesday, May 29.

MAY 28 MONDAY **MEMORIAL DAY - NO SCHOOL**

MAY 29 TUESDAY - ***FINAL CREDIT CHECK IS MADE TO CERTIFY SENIORS HAVE MET GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS. Only students who have met all graduation requirements prior to 1:00 p.m. on this date will be allowed to participate in ceremony.***

MAY 30 WEDNESDAY - **LAST FULL DAY OF CLASSES FOR SENIORS**

- Caps and gowns will be distributed in the **theater foyer** during all lunch hours.
- Yearbook distribution in the Titre Community Room.
- Spring Sports Awards Night: 7:00 p.m. - Carter Gym



All books, uniforms, and fines must be paid by Friday, June 1st or graduation tickets will be withheld.

MAY 31 THURSDAY

- Seniors attend Periods 1 and 2
- 3rd period -- SADD assembly in the Carter Gym-- all seniors and juniors
- **School day for seniors ends at 10:20 a.m.**
- The Senior Picnic -- 10:20 a.m.-2:50 p.m. -- **Goins Stadium**
Lunch, music and games will be provided by the Senior Class Board.
Attendance is optional. We strongly encourage seniors to attend.
Contact person: Ms. Laura Monahan 847-718-5119.



JUNE 1 FRIDAY - LAST DAY FOR SENIORS

Before commencement rehearsal on Friday, June 1, have your child check for his/her name on the seating chart that will be posted outside of Student Services and the Main Office two weeks prior to graduation.



- 7:30 a.m. - 8:05 a.m. Senior Video, Graduation practice - Gym
Contact person: Mr. Novak 847-718-4818
- 8:07 a.m. - 9:31 a.m. Senior Awards Assembly - Gym
Contact person: Mr. Novak 847-718-4818

PARENTS OF SENIORS RECEIVING AWARDS ARE INVITED! SEATING FOR PARENTS IS LOCATED CLOSEST TO THE STAGE IN THE SOUTH BLEACHERS (RIGHT OF THE STAGE). IF YOUR CHILD IS RECEIVING AN AWARD, HE OR SHE, AS WELL AS YOU, WILL BE NOTIFIED BEFORE THIS DATE.

Senior awards, chosen by the faculty, will be announced. Seniors involved in school activities and recipients of awards, academic honors and Hersey scholarships will be recognized. Graduation gowns will be worn. - No hats and tassels.

We are planning a dignified, student-run, student-oriented assembly to honor the many successes of the Class of 2012. We hope to include as many seniors as possible. We ask for your help and cooperation in this last assembly of the year, as we let the light shine on our Hersey stars!

- 9:45 a.m. - until finish Graduation practice - Gym - Graduation tickets will only be distributed at the conclusion of practice.
Contact person: Mr. Novak 847-718-4818

The school day for seniors will end at the conclusion of the graduation rehearsal. Seniors must to be in attendance for the entire practice. We ask that you please make hair appointments, nail appointments, etc. for Prom after 12:00 noon. If a senior must leave early, he/she will have to return to pick up graduation tickets.

UNDERCLASSMEN will be dismissed at 1:50 p.m. on Friday, June 1, with no Activity or Athletic buses.



JUNE 1 FRIDAY - THE JUNIOR-SENIOR PROM

PROM: *"A Moment Like This"*

Time: 7:00 p.m. -12:00 a.m., Dinner at 8:00 p.m. **sharp!**

Place: Donald E. Stephens Convention Center
Rosemont, IL

Tickets: \$130.00 couple, \$65 single (cash or credit card only), which includes Prom and Post Prom, will go on sale in the Cafeteria on **Wednesday, May 16th from 3:30-7:00pm.**

Contact person: Mr. Kent Borghoff 847-718-5129.

Non-Hersey students must have a completed guest form in order to purchase a ticket.

Students with outstanding financial obligations (Library fines, participation fees, book fines, uniform fees, etc.) will not be allowed to purchase tickets until those obligations have been paid.

POST PROM: 12:30 a.m. - Approximately 5:30 a.m.

Place: DAVE & BUSTERS "ALL NIGHT LONG"
Clark Street, Chicago

Transportation: Motor coaches will pick up and return to Rosemont Convention Center.

Tickets: Included with your purchase of a Prom ticket

DON'T FORGET YOUR WAIVER FORMS!!!!

Contact person: Mr. Novak 847-718-4818



JUNE 3 SUNDAY - GRADUATION

11:45 a.m. - Seniors report to East Gym

12:30 p.m. - **COMMENCEMENT**

The audience is requested to remain seated during the processional and recessional.

A professional photographer and videographer will be taking a photograph of each graduate as he/she receives the diploma. Photos and videos will be available for purchase.

The audience is requested to refrain from taking pictures in the vicinity of the stage.

COMMENCEMENT INFORMATION

1. It is the policy of the school that all graduating seniors must participate in the commencement rehearsal on Friday, June 1, and commencement on Sunday, June 3. Participation in rehearsal and commencement activities **is essential** to complete the requirements for graduation from high school. The **parents** of any student who is ill and unable to attend any one of these activities **must contact Dr. Cantrell immediately at 847-718-4810.**
2. Please urge family and friends to withhold applause while diplomas are being issued.
3. Please request family and friends to refrain from taking pictures while the processional lines are forming for commencement.
4. Please demonstrate dignified behavior throughout the entire ceremony.
5. Students are required to dress appropriately (dress pants/skirts) for this occasion. Shorts, sandals and gym shoes are **not** appropriate attire. **Any student not dressed appropriately will be sent home to change clothes.**
6. Flowers of any kind (corsages, bouquets, etc.) **are not** permitted with the graduates during the ceremony. The only items to be worn on the gown are those received at the Honors Assembly on Friday, June 1.
7. At the conclusion of the ceremony graduates will go to the Fieldhouse.
 - a. Turn in rental gown in the Wrestling Room and receive a ticket.
 - b. Find your counselor in the Fieldhouse, give him/her the ticket to receive your diploma. A copy of your immunization record will be included with your diploma.
8. **Extra graduation announcements** are available. Contact Mr. Walter at Jostens, 847-818-8419

Principal's Message...

On a very serious note, I want to remind you that participation in many of our end-of-the-year activities for seniors are privileges, not rights. Hersey High School has the right to deny any student who has broken school rules the privilege of participating in one or more end-of-the-year events. This includes attending prom, as well as participating in the graduation ceremony. Please understand that students who make poor choices which result in any participation in a school prank, vandalism, and/or a substance abuse violation including any kind of alcohol or drug usage, will receive significant consequences. These consequences very well may include losing the privilege of attending any or all of the end-of-the-year activities in which seniors traditionally participate (senior awards assembly, senior picnic, prom, graduation, senior class picture, etc.). Please make sure that your student fully understands the ramifications of inappropriate actions long before the end-of-the-year activities take place. These are very important events in the lives of our seniors, and I want every student to have the opportunity to participate and to leave Hersey with positive memories of the last weeks of the senior year.

Please also be aware of the fact that Hersey High School takes the completion of District 214 graduation requirements very seriously. Only students who have met all graduation requirements prior to commencement will be allowed to participate in the ceremony. If you have a senior student who needs to pass specific classes to meet graduation requirements, I urge you to discuss this topic with your student. If you have any questions regarding your student's academic status, please call your student's counselor.

Dr. Tina Cantrell