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**Dear Parents and Seniors:** 

The 2023-2024 school year is coming to a close, and graduation is on the horizon for our Class of 2024 seniors. It has been an honor to serve as principal here at Troy High School with so many talented young adults and a great four years replete with amazing accomplishments and wonderful memories. June 1<sup>st</sup> will be bittersweet for everyone as our graduates say goodbye to high school to say hello to future opportunities. Congratulations to you and yours on this wonderful achievement. We wish you all the best.

Senior Class Advisors Karoline Newer and Emily Zedan, Assistant Principals Melissa Curth, Dan House, and Kerry Brennan, and the entire administrative team are working to plan the Troy High School Honors Convocation, Commencement Exercises, All-Night Graduation Party, and other senior activities. **Please** see the attached information. We ask that both students and parents read this information now and refer to it as graduation time nears.

There are still several seniors who have not ordered their caps and gowns. Contact Jostens at 586.781.5618 IMMEDIATELY if you have not ordered your cap and gown.

Attention Class of 2024 scholarship recipients! Your eligibility for participation in our Senior Honors Convocation will be determined by the end of your seventh semester grades with an overall GPA of 3.000 or higher. If you have any questions about your status, please reach out to your counselor. To share your accomplishments at our Senior Honors Convocation we need you to complete the electronic scholarship information form which was sent out from the counseling office or if you have not already done so, please complete the attached form. It must be completed no later than May 15<sup>th</sup>. Please return this form to Mrs. Talsma by e-mailing it to <a href="mailto:etalsma@troy.k12.mi.us">etalsma@troy.k12.mi.us</a>. Without this form, we are unable to announce information about your accomplishments at the Honors Convocation.

The final school day for seniors is Wednesday, May 22<sup>nd</sup>. We have worked for a long time to develop a senior exit event that will be more memorable than ever before. The morning will begin with Senior Breakfast at 7:20 a.m. followed by the Gimmee Awards, then the commencement rehearsal, and cap and gown distribution. We will conclude by having an unforgettable exit for seniors culminating on the football field with a final group picture with a cap toss. The exact timing of these events will come out in future communications.



It is our goal to have every senior end their Colt career in the most positive manner possible. Students, please do not tarnish the conclusion of your time at Troy High School by conducting activities that would disrupt the school, embarrass yourself and your family, or preclude your attendance at any of the year-end activities. Last year's graduates did an excellent job at the end of the year, and we are confident that the Class of 2024 will do the same.

Seniors participating in the commencement ceremony must attend the mandatory commencement rehearsal. Students disrupting the rehearsal or ceremony will simply not be able to participate.

The Troy High Commencement Exercises will take place at 2:30 PM, at the Oakland University O'rena in Rochester Hills, at 569 Pioneer Dr, Rochester, MI 48309 on Saturday, June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024. The ceremony is designed as a formal program to honor the graduating seniors, and because of that, we are requesting no noisemakers or devices that would be considered disruptive to the ceremony. Audience cooperation in supporting a formal recognition program will enhance this special day for our graduates.

The Class of 2024 has had a wonderful senior year at Troy High. We are asking for your assistance as we work together to make the grand finale of your high school experience as wonderful and dignified as it should be. Please let us know if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Remo Roncone

Principal

Please note:

Volunteering for a shift during the All-Night Party, Saturday, June 1<sup>st</sup>, is a fun way to help graduates celebrate and enjoy their last big Troy High event. Volunteer Sign-Up is at <a href="mailto:thsallnightparty.weebly.com">thsallnightparty.weebly.com</a>



# Attention Troy High School Seniors and Parents...Very Important!

**DATE:** April 8, 2024

**TO:** Class of 2024 Troy High School Graduates

FROM: Karoline Newer and Emily Zedan, Senior Class Advisors

**CONGRATULATIONS!** You have only a few weeks remaining at Troy High School, and we hope that you have found your years at THS to be successful, both academically and socially. As a member of the Class of 2024, you are about to culminate your high school experience. We are aware that there are still several seniors who have not ordered their caps and gowns. Contact Jostens at 586.781.5618 **immediately** if you have not ordered your cap and gown. This is an exciting time of year for both seniors and their families! Below are important dates, times, and instructions to help you in the planning of the various senior activities. Please read them completely, and carefully and save them. Finally, good luck in your future endeavors!

#### **CALENDAR**

Mon., May 20....... Senior Exams – Hours 1, 2, & 3. ONLY seniors that have an exam (or work to complete) should report. Seniors can exit after final exams at 10:25 am. If transportation is needed you must attend hours 4, 5, and 6.

**Tue.**, **May 21...... Senior Exams** – Hours 4, 5, & 6. – ONLY seniors that have an exam (or work to complete) should report.

Wed., May 22...... Last Day for Seniors – 7:20 am -11:30 am.

Breakfast in Cafeteria, Gimmees Awards in Auditorium, **MANDATORY** Commencement Rehearsal - Main Gym

Cap & Gown Distribution

Please Note: All fines must be paid in full before Cap & Gown distribution.

**Thurs., May 23 ..... Prom** – **The Palazzo Grande** - 6:00 pm to 10:00 pm. Students must arrive no later than 6:30 pm

Thurs., May 30 ..... MANDATORY Honors Convocation Rehearsal – Main Gym – 8:15 am.

Thurs., May 30 ..... Honors Convocation - Main Gym - 7:00 pm.

Students report to Auxiliary Gym no later than 6:30 pm.

Sat., June 1 .......... Commencement – Oakland University O'rena – Rochester Hills – 2:30pm

Graduates must report to the graduate staging area no later than 1:30 pm for lineup.

Guest seating begins at 1:30 pm. Guests arriving after 2:15 pm run the risk of not being seated for the procession.

Sat., June 1 ..... Senior All-Night Party – Legacy Center – Oxford - 9:00 pm - 5:00 am.

This event is being organized by our All-Night Party committee. This event requires a ticket purchase to attend. Go online to <a href="mailto:thsallnightparty.weebly.com">thsallnightparty.weebly.com</a> to purchase a ticket.

- ✓ 8:30 PM: Students report for check-in and receive their wristbands.
- ✓ 9:15 PM: All buses depart Troy High.
- ✓ 9:45-10:00 PM: Arrive at Urban Air.
- √ 4:00 AM: Students board buses and depart for Troy High.
- ✓ 4:30-4:45 AM: Arrive at Troy High; students receive their diplomas and "graband-go" breakfasts.

## Last Day for Seniors

The 2024 Senior Breakfast will be held on Wednesday, May 22<sup>nd</sup> in the cafeteria starting at 7:20 am. Following the breakfast, the Seniors will go to the auditorium for Gimmee Awards. After the awards, seniors will participate in the mandatory commencement rehearsal. Caps and gowns and graduation tickets will be distributed at the rehearsal.

#### Final Exams

Examinations are individually determined by each teacher. Check with your teachers for specific instructions. Senior exams are on May 20<sup>th</sup> in hours 1-3 and May 21<sup>st</sup> in hours 4 - 6. Seniors can exit after final exams at 10:25 am. If transportation is needed you must attend hours 4, 5, and 6.

## Senior Exit Survey

All seniors will be given the SENIOR EXIT SURVEY the week of April 8<sup>th</sup> in their English class. An electronic copy of the form can be found at <a href="https://forms.office.com/r/1ZPGYsRF3h">https://forms.office.com/r/1ZPGYsRF3h</a>

It is very important as it assists in providing demographic information for the class of 2024, regarding their future plans. This form is mandatory for students to receive their cap and gown! The SENIOR EXIT SURVEY needs to be filled in completely with full answers. A couple examples of what students should include are the following:

- If going to a college with multiple campus locations (e.g., University of Michigan), please specify which campus attending.
- Please indicate what college or plan you have first, if transferring to another college later.
- If you change your plan, please let Mrs. Modetz at 248-823-2858, in the Counseling Office, know immediately.

## Final Transcript Request

Seniors not attending a Common Application College should request a final transcript at <a href="www.Parchment.com">www.Parchment.com</a> by May 3, using the "Hold For Grades" option. Please see Mrs. Modetz if a paper transcript is needed for any other special situations such as wait-list status, deferred admissions, overseas transcripts, NCAA, or for Parchment help.

# Financial Obligations and Fees

All students must clear up all obligations (book fines, uniform fines, media fines) before a cap and gown will be issued on May 24<sup>th</sup>. Parents, please check current balance in PowerSchool for fine information or email Ms. Nowakowski in the main office at <a href="mailto:jnowakowski@troy.k12.mi.us">jnowakowski@troy.k12.mi.us</a>. Fines are paid via SchoolPay in PowerSchool. Textbooks can be returned to the Troy High School security desk Monday through Friday between the hours of 7:00 am and 2:00 pm. Be sure student's and teacher's name is on the item when returning.

#### Commencement Rehearsal

**MANDATORY** rehearsal for all seniors participating in the Commencement Exercises will be held on Wednesday, May 22<sup>nd</sup>. Students will report to the Aux Gym following the Gimmee Awards. This rehearsal must be attended by all participating seniors and will take approximately one hour. If a senior cannot make the rehearsal, he/she must discuss this with Mr. House prior to May 16<sup>th</sup>. Distribution of caps and gowns and graduation tickets will take place during rehearsal.

#### Graduation Ticket Distribution

Tickets are required for the 2024 Commencement Services. IMPORTANT: limited tickets this year.

## Cap & Gown Distribution

Caps and gowns will be distributed on Wednesday, May 22<sup>nd</sup>, at the graduation rehearsal only to those seniors who have cleared all financial obligations and met all graduation requirements. All gowns are **black** (no silver gowns). If you have any questions, please contact Assistant Principal Dan House at 248.823.2733.

#### Prom

Prom will take place on Thursday, May 23<sup>rd</sup> at 6:00 pm – 10:00 pm at The Palazzo Grande, Shelby Township, Michigan. Specific ticket information to follow the first week of May.

#### Senior Honors Convocation

Senior awards will be presented on Thursday, May 30<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 pm in the Main Gym. Eligibility for participation in the Senior Honors Convocation will be determined by final grades reported at the end of the seventh semester (GPA 3.000 or higher). If you have any questions about your status, please see your counselor. All honor students will be seated alphabetically. It is mandatory that all students being honored wear their graduation gown (not cap). Invitations will be sent home to those seniors who will be honored. Seniors should report no later than 6:30 pm. to the Auxiliary Gym for line-up. Honor cords are given out at the Honors Rehearsal Thursday, June 1st, 2024. No extra honor cords will be available at the Honors Convocation, nor on the day of graduation at Oakland University. Also, caps and gowns cannot be picked up at the Honors Convocation.

#### Commencement Exercises

The Class of 2024 Commencement Exercises will take place on Saturday, June 1<sup>st</sup>, at 2:30 pm at Oakland University O'rena in Rochester Hills. Graduates must report to the graduate staging area no later than 1:30 pm for line-up. Guest seating begins at 1:30 pm am. Tickets are required for all guests. Please be sure the graduates do not have personal items with them during the ceremony. We cannot be responsible for lost or stolen articles.

## Proper Attire and Behavior

To ensure the dignity of the occasion for all, any student who is wearing improper attire or is behaving inappropriately will be removed from the line-up prior to the ceremony and will not be allowed to participate. High school graduation only happens once in each student's life. Let us make your graduation a memorable occasion. In keeping the ceremony dignified, please no signs or decorations on caps.

## Parking

There is no charge for parking (see map for suggested parking areas). Please arrive by 1:30 pm to allow enough time for traffic congestion, parking, and seating.

# Seating for Guests with Disabilities

There are limited seats available for guests with disabilities; therefore, it is very important to arrive by 1:30 pm to secure appropriate seating.

## Professional Photography

We have enlisted the services of a professional photographer to take each graduate's photo as he/she crosses the stage. Each graduate will be notified regarding the option to purchase the graduation photo.

## **Diplomas**

Diplomas will be distributed after the All-Night Party, once the buses return to THS. Diplomas will be mailed to those students who do not attend the All-Night Party.

# Senior All-Night Party

Only those students who have met the requirements to participate in Commencement Exercises will be permitted to attend. Refer to the Calendar in previous pages for a detailed schedule.







# TROY HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 2024 **SCHOLARSHIP** INFORMATION

Please attach copies of letters that you have received in reference to **any and all** scholarships that has been offered to you. This information will be confidential and used to compile a scholarship total offered to the class of 2024. Please **return** this form to Mrs. Talsma by e-mailing it to etalsma@troy.k12.mi.us **by Wednesday, May 15, 2024.** 

Regarding Eagle Scout, Gold Girl Scout, and Military students if you want your name to be included in the Honors Program, Please **return** this form to Mrs. Talsma by e-mailing it to etalsma@troy.k12.mi.us **by Monday, April 22, 2024.** 

Student's Name:					
Joining the military? Wha	t branch of military?				
Eagle Scout? Yes:	No:				
Gold Girl Scout? Yes:	No:				

Name of Scholarship	Specific \$ Amount Please do not list "full ride"	Renewable/How Long? Or One-Time Only	TOTAL \$ Amount
Examples: Board of Trustees	\$1200/yr.	4yrs	\$4800
Troy High Boosters	\$ 500	One-time only	\$ 500
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