



# HANOVER PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT

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## HANOVER HIGH SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and Guardians of the Class of 2019:

Congratulations! The day you have all been working so hard for is quickly drawing near. Your child will soon be graduating from Hanover High School. Your family has much of which to be proud. The following information should be helpful in planning the last several weeks of school and preparing for this big event in your child's life. Thank you in advance for your cooperation in making Graduation 2019 a dignified and memorable event.

### **Schedule for the Class of 2019**

- Tues. April 30:** Academic Honors Ceremony, 7:00 PM
- Fri. May 3:** Prom – Hanover Country Club, 6:00 – 10:30
- Fri. May 17:** Deadline to settle all obligations; All Cyber coursework should be completed
- Thur. May 23:** Nighthawk Pride Day
- Fri. May 24:** Senior Class Trip or Regular School Day
- Mon. May 27:** **Memorial Day – No School**
- Tues. May 28:** 9:00 AM - Graduation Practice  
Cap, Gown, Tassels, Stoles & Cords Distributed  
Distribution of Graduation Tickets & Photo Order Envelopes
- Wed. May 29:** 9:00 AM – Graduation/Campus Night Practice  
7:00 PM - Campus Night
- Thurs. May 30:** 9:00 AM - Practice for Graduation  
5:45 PM - Senior Class Picture in Gymnasium (Cap, Gown with appropriate dress)  
7:00 PM - Commencement (Cap, Gown & appropriate dress)

## DETAILED GENERAL INFORMATION

### OBLIGATIONS

All financial obligations (Dues, detentions, equipment, chromebook payments, library fines, etc.) must be paid or satisfied no later than **3:00 PM on Friday, May 17.**

**Obligations left unresolved will jeopardize students' participation in the graduation ceremony. Diplomas will not be distributed until all debts and obligations have been met.**

### CEREMONY PRACTICES

All seniors must report for campus night and graduation practices May 28, 29, & 30, 2019 at 9:00 AM. No graduates should report prior to 8:50 AM for practice. Seniors should plan to be at practice until dismissed, which could be 3:00 PM. **Attendance is mandatory and seniors must be on time. Failure to attend practice will jeopardize students' participation in the graduation ceremony.**

### GRADUATION ROBES, CAPS, TASSELS, CORDS & HONORS STOLE

All students will wear their properly sized black robe, mortarboard (cap), and tassel, which students are required to purchase. Cords will be given to the students who have earned the recognition. Those students graduating in the top 10 of their class will be **lent an honors stole that must be returned to Mrs. Henry at the entrance to the building following graduation.**

### GRADUATION TICKETS

We hope the weather will cooperate and the ceremony will take place on the front lawn of HHS. Everyone is welcome and no tickets are required for admission to the outdoor ceremony. **However, in the event of inclement weather the exercises will be conducted indoors.** Because of limited seating, admission will be by ticket only for the indoor ceremony. Tickets for indoor graduation will be distributed to the seniors during practice on Tuesday, May 28. All students will receive four (4) tickets. Students who would like additional tickets will stand in line and collect tickets until they run out. The ceremony will be streamed live in the gymnasium for family members who do not have tickets. Those seniors not needing all four tickets are encouraged to share them with classmates needing additional tickets. Tickets are not necessary if the ceremony remains outdoors.

### DRESS FOR CAMPUS NIGHT and GRADUATION

Campus Night & Commencement are formal ceremonies celebrating the accomplishments of our young adults. In short, it is a formal and dignified ceremony, and we expect students to dress accordingly. **Appropriate formal attire, as outlined below, is required. No exceptions! Inappropriate attire will result in non-participation in the class picture, Campus Night, and Commencement.**

- All seniors receiving a diploma must wear a cap and gown for commencement.
- Gentlemen should wear dress shirts and a bow or long tie, dress slacks and dark dress shoes with dress socks.
- Ladies should wear a dress/skirt, blouse, and dress footwear. (If the ceremony is outside, heeled shoes can sink into the turf and cause the participant to fall, so plan accordingly.) Shower shoes, crocks and flip flops are not permitted.
- Shorts, sport shirts, t-shirts, jeans, athletic shoes, etc. will not be permitted during the ceremonies.

- Students may bring a change of clothes to wear after the graduation ceremony.
- Caps should be worn with the tassel on the right side. When the class is formally declared as graduated, all tassels are transferred to the left side.

### **GRADUATION PICTURE ON GRADUATION NIGHT**

All members of the Class of 2019 must report to the main gymnasium at the high school by 5:45 PM on Thursday, May 30th for the class picture. Students will need to remain there until the procession begins for Graduation. (Appropriate dress is required).

### **GRADUATION**

- Report to the new gymnasium by 5:45 PM on Thursday, May 30.
- DIPLOMAS need to be picked up from Mrs. Henry and Mrs. Hively outside, by the school entrance (or in the main gym if ceremony is held indoors) following Commencement.
- Return HONORS STOLE to Mrs. Henry and Mrs. Hively when you pick up your diploma.

### **MEMORABILIA PICK UPS**

- Prom Pictures – End of June
- Graduation Pictures – Generally the middle of July. Please call the office to see if they are available. The high school office will hold the pictures until August 23, 2019, at which time they will be sent back the photographers.

**SPECIAL NOTE: Students who have not earned enough credits to graduate with the Class of 2019 will not be participating in Campus Night or Graduation and are not to report to school on May 28, 29, or May 30th for Campus Night and Graduation practices, etc. Please see your guidance counselor with any questions you may have.**

On behalf of the administration, faculty, and staff of Hanover High School, congratulations to our seniors and their families. We are proud of your efforts and many accomplishments. It is our expectation that the significant effort, dedication, and perseverance of our students be recognized appropriately during graduation. The support of family and friends in helping to maintain this atmosphere is greatly appreciated. Thank you for your cooperation and adherence to the rules for our graduation ceremony.

Thank you for partnering with us to make your child's years at Hanover High School a success.



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