

SENIOR CLASS BULLETIN

Class of 2017 – February

IMPORTANT DATES

Thursday, April 27 – Cap and Gown Pictures and Class Photo

Photos begin promptly at 7:45 a.m. There is **no make-up** date for this.

Thursday, May 18 – Pirates Game (for those who qualified through magazine sales)

Depart from KHS at approx. 8:30 a.m. / Return by 6:00 p.m.

[The following dates are subject to change if snow days force a change to the commencement date.]

Tuesday, May 23 – Last day of classes for seniors.

Wednesday, May 24 / Thursday, May 25 / Friday, May 26 – Commencement Practice

You must be present for practice or you will not walk at commencement!

Plan ahead. Do not schedule anything for these days.

Thursday, May 25 – Senior Banquet

Dinner at 5:30 p.m., with the awards ceremony to follow

Friday, May 26 – Commencement

CLASS PICTURE / INDIVIDUAL CAP AND GOWN PHOTOS

- **Thursday, April 27, 7:45 a.m.**, is cap and gown picture day for the senior class. Be here! There is no make-up date for this.
- Pictures will include:
 - Full class photo in the form of a “17.” The class officers will let you know what to wear for this photo. Usually casual attire and/or class shirts (or a matching color). This photo could happen on the football field or bleachers.
 - Honors groups cap and gown photos. After the “17” photo, you will have time to change into your cap and gown, shoes, and the clothes you will wear underneath. Honors pictures will be based on your overall GPA following the 3rd grading period. Final honor designation may change during commencement practice based on Quarter 4 grades. **These pictures will be ordered separately from the individual pictures.**
 - Individual cap and gown photos.
 - Full group cap and gown photo.
 - The yearbook staff may request additional photos. Be attentive to the directions of your class officers regarding what to wear.

CAP AND GOWN INFORMATION

- Your caps and gowns have been delivered! You will receive these during a class meeting in late March. More details on caring for these items and preparing them for pictures and commencement will be shared during the March meeting.
- National Honor Society stoles will be given to NHS members to wear for pictures and commencement. They will be returned following commencement.
- Honors cords will be available for photos as well. These are purchased by the District.

UPCOMING EXPENSES

The end of the year brings with it various costs for you and your family. Here are some costs that you can plan for as the school year comes to a close.

- **Cap and Gown Pictures – Individual / Honors / Full Class** – Order forms and online ordering directions will be distributed a week or two before the class picture date of April 27. Order forms and money, if you or your family wish to purchase any, will be due on the day of pictures.
- **Pirates Game** – For those who qualify, the Class of 2017 funds cover the ticket and transportation for this game. However, any food or souvenirs purchased are at the expense of the student.
- **Senior Banquet** – This catered meal and awards ceremony is tentatively scheduled for Thursday, May 25. Keystone School District covers the cost of the graduating senior. However, all others attending must pay for a meal. Although a final cost has not yet been set, the price is usually \$11 to \$14 per person.
- **Commencement Flowers** – Graduating seniors will wear the class flower as part of the attire for commencement. This flower will be purchased with the Class of 2017 funds. One additional flower for each student to give to a mother, grandmother, etc. will be purchased for the student using Class of 2017 funds if the balance in the account allows. Additional flowers may be purchased at the expense of the student (usually around \$5 to \$8 per flower). Order forms will be available in May for these flowers.
- **Clothing Required for Pictures and Commencement** – Be aware of possible costs involved in securing proper attire for pictures and commencement. Under the supplied gown, gentlemen should wear **dark slacks** and **dark dress shoes** with **dark socks** and a **white collared shirt** and **long necktie**. Girls should wear **white shoes**, a **light colored skirt** and **blouse** or a **light colored dress**. Plan now for these items, as you will need them for the **April 27** photos!
- **Class Reunion Start Up Money** - \$5.00 – More information later on how to pay.
- **Indebtedness** – All indebtedness to the school must be settled or you cannot participate in commencement practice or commencement. This must be done on or before your last day of classes.

FINAL NOTES

- Be sure that the administration will be on a heightened state of alertness with regard to student behavior as the year comes to a close. Students will face consequences for inappropriate behavior. Seniors behaving badly or instigating bad behavior in others could risk being denied the privilege of participation in commencement.
- Keep your grades up! Pay close attention to your class work, especially any courses that you are in danger of failing for the year. Do not create a stressful May for yourself where you are in danger of not graduating.