

BENTONVILLE HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATING SENIORS

END OF YEAR INFORMATION

The following information is provided so you will know the expectations for the activities. Graduating seniors are reminded graduation is an opportunity for parents, grandparents, friends, and relatives to recognize your achievement. Graduation is ceremonial, dignified and meaningful. As a graduating senior, you have completed the graduation requirements; therefore, the graduation ceremony is NOT a requirement. We request that you DO NOT attend graduation if you intend to do anything drawing attention to you, away from the ceremony, or away from the next person to receive his/her diploma.

Each student deserves the same recognition and each family enjoys hearing the name of their student . This is a school activity, thus all Bentonville Public Schools and Bentonville High School student code of conduct policies, practices, and procedures will be followed. Questions regarding the graduation ceremony, scholarship program, and rehearsal should be directed to the appropriate person:

Scholarship Program	Miss Allison Hoffman
Graduation	Mr. Doege and Mrs. Sitton
Junior/Senior Prom	Mr. Puckett and Mrs. Pugh
Baccalaureate	Ministerial Alliance
Senior Awards Banquets	SLC Principals

**IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE IN GRADUATION EXERCISES YOU ARE REQUIRED TO ATTEND
THE GRADUATION REHEARSAL
May 19, 2011 from 9:00 - 11:00 a.m.
Report to BHS Main Gym by 9:00 a.m. for attendance check.**

**Clothing and gown colors should
give the overall effect of black and white.**

FEMALES

- * Dark dresses or dark slacks
- * Dark dress shoes or dark dress sandals

MALES

- * Dark slacks (No Khakis)
- * Light shirt with tie
- * NO jeans
- * Dark dress shoes (dress boots are acceptable, tennis shoes are NOT acceptable)

TASSELS

Tassels should hang over the right temple and are shifted to the left upon announcement.

CAPS

- * The cap should fit on the head so it is parallel to the ground. (Females may need bobby pins to keep it in place.)
- * Do not put it on the back of your head so that it is pointing to the stars.
- * Girls wear their cap the entire ceremony.
- * Boys remove their caps during the pledge of allegiance, national anthem and the alma mater.
- * Caps are not worn during the baccalaureate service.
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DIPLOMAS WILL NOT BE MAILED.

Graduates may pick up their diplomas from the receptionist in the front office of the Tiger

Athletic Complex (TAC) on

May 25-27, 2011 from 8:30-11:30 am

YOU MUST HAVE A PHOTO ID AND SIGN FOR YOUR DIPLOMA.

Beginning May 31 diplomas will be in the Registrar's Office.

WEARING CAPS AND GOWNS

DATES TO REMEMBER

January 27	11:00-12:00 (students) & 6:30-7:30 pm (parents) DECA Fashion Show to highlight appropriate Prom attire Arend Arts Center
March 30	11:00-4:00 p.m. Graduation announcements delivered Pick up in foyer of the Arend Arts Center
April 1 -	Prom tickets sold (Refer to page 4 for prices)
April 20	Students enrolled in Advanced Placement classes need to check the schedule to confirm date and time of appropriate tests.
April	5:00-11:00 pm Prom Pictures, BHS North Commons 8:00-11:00 pm Junior-Senior Prom, BHS North Commons
April	11:00 pm-2:00 am After-Prom Party, BHS South Commons Sponsored by BHS PTSO
April 26	4 pm Tryouts for senior speech and performer See Mrs. Sitton in Room 1602 to sign up– Deadline April 19 11:00-4:00 pm Caps and gowns delivered Pick up in the foyer of the Arend Arts Center Complete Senior Exit Survey
April 25-26	Check books for fines and fees
May 2-13	AP Testing
May 3	Fines and fees list to be posted
May 5	Yearbook distribution in BHS North Commons during seminar
May 6	Fines and fees must be paid for exemption purposes
May 9	Senior exemption cards distributed
May 10	6:00 pm Scholarship Assembly– Arend Arts Center 5:30 PM Arrival for Seniors; dress in graduation gown (not cap)
May 11	Last day of classes for seniors exempt from final examinations
May 12	Final examinations for graduating seniors Periods ZB, 2,6, &8
May 13	Final examinations for graduating seniors Periods ZA, 1,3,5, &7
May 19	9:00 am Report to BHS Main Gym for attendance check 9:00-11:00 am Graduation Rehearsal Seniors are required to attend to participate in graduation.
May 20	7:00 pm Baccalaureate (Location TBA) 6:30 pm Report to Band Room dressed in gown (no caps)
May 21	9:00 am Graduation at Bud Walton Arena, Fayetteville Seniors report no later than 8:00 am.

PROM TICKET INFORMATION

Students are reminded all Bentonville Public Schools student code of conduct policy, practices, and procedures are in place during the prom. You are also reminded there is a dress code for the prom. Refer to your BHS Student Handbook.

BHS DECA students will present a fashion show on January 27 from 11:00-12:00 p.m. (for students) and from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. (for parents/students) in the AAC to highlight appropriate prom attire.

BHS students who want to invite a guest (who does not attend BHS) need to complete a Guest Permission Form and return it to Mr. Runnels by April 8, 2011.

Prom tickets will be sold in the North Commons during all lunches on the following dates.

Monday, April 1	Guest Ticket Student Ticket	\$25.00 Free if dues are paid \$40.00 with no dues
Tuesday, April 1	Guest Ticket Student Ticket	\$25.00 Free if dues are paid \$40.00 with no dues
Wednesday, April	Guest Ticket Student Ticket	\$25.00 Free if dues are paid \$40.00 with no dues
Thursday, April	Guest Ticket Student Ticket	\$35.00 Free if dues are paid \$50.00 with no dues
Friday, April	Guest Ticket Student Ticket	\$35.00 Free if dues are paid \$50.00 with no dues

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All students and Guests attending Prom are required to present a **ticket** (not a receipt) and a photo ID.

Guest permission forms are due by April 8, 2011.