

McDonough High Class of 2023 End-of-Year Information

Senior Final Exams

Senior Final Exams will take place from May 2nd – 4th

- Seniors will take their 1st period exam on May 2nd
- Seniors will take their 2nd period exam on May 3rd
- Seniors will take their 3rd and 4th period exams on May 4th

1st, 2nd, and 3rd period exams will be taken in the mornings while classes are holding for Milestones. The 4th period exam will be taken in the afternoon at the standard 4th period time.

Senior Last Day on Campus and Grade Repair

- The Seniors last day on campus will be May 4th if they have successfully completed all their graduation requirements.
- Seniors who do not pass a class that is required for graduation may be eligible to participate in the Senior Grade Repair that will take place on campus from May 8th – 10th. Information on the Grade Repair will be sent to eligible students once grades are finalized after May 4th.
- If a Senior is not eligible for Grade Repair, their counselor will communicate information about Summer opportunities or other options that will allow them to satisfy their graduation requirements.

Graduation Practice and Senior Clearance

Graduation Practice

- Graduation practice will be held on May 11th beginning at 11:00am.
- Students will need to report to the MHS Main Gym no later than 11:00am.
- Practice will begin inside and will continue outside (weather permitting) onto the grass. Students should dress accordingly.

Senior Clearance

- The Senior Clearance event will take place at the conclusion of the graduation practice
- The clearance event will be held in the MHS auxiliary gym
- During this event, Seniors will need to do the following:
 - Return any school issued materials such as textbooks, chromebooks, uniforms, etc.
 - Pay any fines/fees owed to the school and/or Media Center
 - Pick up cap and gown if Herff Jones balance has been paid in full
 - Receive a free gift provided by the State Superintendent and GA Department of Education
 - Be cleared for graduation by your counselor and receive your graduation tickets

If you have any questions regarding these events, please email Coach Harris at joel.harris2@henry.k12.ga.us.

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Senior Awards and Recognition

- The Senior Awards and Recognition Ceremony will be held on May 15th at 6:00pm in the MHS Main Gym
- Students will receive invitations at the Senior Clearance event on May 11th if they are receiving an award or recognition at this event
- Students will need to arrive and check-in in the MHS Auxiliary Gym by 5:30pm
- Awards and Recognitions to be received:
 - Honor Roll and Distinguished Honor Roll
 - Club Recognitions
 - Pathway Completers
 - Senior Special Awards
 - Latin Honors Awards

Graduation Ceremony

- The MHS Class of 2023 Spring Graduation Ceremony will be held at Atlanta Motor Speedway on Wednesday, May 17th
- The ceremony will begin at 7:30pm and graduates will need to arrive at 6:00pm
 - Directions and parking information will be shared at the graduation practice and will be available on the website
- Each student will receive an allotment of 25 tickets for their guests. All guests must have a ticket to enter the ceremony.
 - Children who are young enough to sit on someone's lap will not need a ticket
- The district's clear bag policy will be in effect for this ceremony. Individuals are encouraged to not bring a bag to the event, however, if a bag is necessary, it must meet the following requirements:
 - Bags must be CLEAR plastic, vinyl or PVC and not exceed 12" x 6" x 12"
 - Bags cannot be tinted with color or include oversized content that prevents visibility into the clear bags
 - Clear book bags are acceptable for use as diaper bags for adults who have infants or toddlers
 - Small, pocket-sized wallets are allowable in a clear bag
 - Any type of non-clear bag will not be permitted. Exceptions will only be made for medically necessary items after proper inspection by security personnel. Please ask for assistance at the gate.
- Dress Code
 - Students may not decorate their caps for the ceremony and may not wear cords or stoles that are not issued by the school or district
 - It is recommended that students wear the following under their gown:
 - Men should wear a collared shirt, black or dark colored dress pants, and black or dark colored shoes
 - Ladies should wear a dress or dress pants/skirt and blouse. Darker colors are recommended
 - All students should wear flat bottom shoes because you will be walking a good distance over uneven ground throughout the ceremony
 - Do not wear high heels for the graduation ceremony

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