

# Senior 2023 Newsletter

## Haralson County High School May 2, 2023

## Congratulations Class of 2023!

Congratulations are in order to you, as you are nearly done with your Senior Year! You still have much left to do and accomplish. Graduation is a major event and accomplishment in your life. You have worked long and hard for the honor of participating in this event. We want this event to be a ceremony that reflects the respect you deserve for this accomplishment. We ask for your help and cooperation in making this ceremony as dignified as possible.

#### Dates for May

- 11- Senior Honors Night 6:30 pm. In the Fine Arts Building. Invitations have been sent.
- 12 All senior letters are due
- 12 All dues and fees need to be paid
- 12 Permission forms for grad walk due to Mrs. Brown
- 16 8:30 am Meet in cafeteria, dressed in cap and gown, ready for Grad Walk Parade of Schools. No graduation dress code. Students only.
- 16 11:00 am Immediately following Grad Walk, we will go to the stadium for our senior luncheon. You will receive your letters, eat Chick-fil-A lunch and a delicious dessert by MalNourished Bakery and watch the senior video. Students only.
- 16 4:30 pm Line up at the Tallapoosa Ballpark for the senior parade. Decorate your car, truck, jeep, trailer, etc. and be ready to shine. Parade starts promptly at 5:00 pm. Throw candy, if you want to. The parade starts at the ballpark, turns right on Hwy 100 at Crossroads, turns right on Hwy 78 at the Shell station and ends at Subway.
- 16 CCA Honors night. Invitations have been sent. 7:00 pm in the Fine Arts Building. This is for any honor in the CCA department.
- 18 Be in your seat on the field in the stadium NO LATER THAN 8:30 am. No excuses. (See next page for details) Bring your cap, gown, tassels and cords. Group picture will be taken as soon as roll is taken. If you are interested in individual pictures, report to the hall between the gyms at 7:45 am. Honor graduates need to be dressed in graduation attire for the picture as you feet and legs will show.
- 19 Be in your seat for practice NO LATER THAN 8:30 am. No excuses. Practice will end when we get it right.
- 19 Be in the fine arts building dressed according to the dress code on the next page promptly at 6:30 pm. Do not bring clothes, purses, etc as the fine arts building will be locked after graduation.

- You have less than 2 weeks to make arrangements for the proper clothing and shoes. If you need help purchasing, see Mrs. Ivester in the Counselor's'
- If you owe the school, media center, club, athletic department any money or items that need to be returned, take care of it now. Do not wait until the last week. The expenses will start rolling in then and will become difficult to handle. See the other paper for dates of the remaining activities and for any dues or fines you still owe the school.
   Get these paid!

\*\*College Bound Seniors-Final transcripts must be sent to your college/university to show that you have graduated. Please complete the form in your Class of 2023 Google Classroom. Senior letters are due by May 12th.
Letters can be mailed to Mrs.
Brown (1655 GA Hwy 120,
Tallapoosa, GA 30176) or brought
to the school and dropped off in
the main office. Be sure that the
student's name is written in the
lower left corner of the envelope.

- \*\* Graduation Videos can be ordered in the registrar's office from Mrs. Prater. The video will contain the senior video also. The cost is \$20. These can be picked up from Mrs. Prater beginning June 26th.
- \*\* Attendance Appeal forms are available for pick up for those seniors that have 4 or more unexcused absences. Please check your attendance and be sure to turn in all parent and medical notes or stay after school if you need to make up time. Appeal forms can be picked up in the main office, guidance office, and attendance office. Deadline is May 5th! Attendance issues could prevent you from walking at graduation. Please know where you stand with this!

### Graduation Night and Dress Code:

Graduation is Friday, May 19th at 8PM.

You need to arrive NO LATER than 6:30PM. This is to ensure that you do not get caught in traffic. We will have a dress code check and wait in the Fine Arts Building. We will line up to go on the field at 7:30.

**DRESS CODE:** Graduation Dress code must be followed or you will not be allowed to walk.

Ladies: Dress that will not hang below gown or black dress pants and solid black or navy dress shoes, no rhinestones, no gold/silver embellishments. Anything on top of the foot must be solid black/navy.. (Remember, you will be walking on grass and up and down a ramp.)

Gentlemen: White collared shirt, black or navy dress pants and black dress shoes.

Everyone: No tennis shoes or flip flops. No alterations to your robes or caps.

Diplomas will NOT be handed out on the stage. You will pick up your diploma afterwards on the visitor side of the field with your star advisor. If you act unprofessionally during the graduation ceremony, your diploma will be held at the principal's discretion.

#### Graduation Practice Rules and Information:

Graduation Practice will take place on Thursday, May 18th and Friday, May 19th, promptly at 8:30 am. DO NOT BE LATE!

There will not be a limit to the number of family you invite, BUT, you will only be allowed 3 parking passes (this includes the student car). We will offer shuttle buses from TPS and HCMS.

The following rules MUST be adhered to during practice, or you will be asked to leave and will NOT be allowed to walk in the graduation ceremony:

 ALL DUES AND FEES MUST BE PAID by FRIDAY, MAY 12<sup>h</sup> to be able to participate in practice. We will NOT wait on you to pay dues or clear fines during practice.

- Attendance is MANDATORY. The only acceptable excuse is emergency medical care.

  Reschedule any other routine appointments, work, etc.

  Failure to attend practice will mean failure to participate in graduation Friday night.

  \*\*\*If you have an emergency and cannot make it to practice, you MUST call this number and let
  - Mrs. Brown know: (770) 317-1540. You are seniors. You're adults. Figure it out. Do what you have to do to be there.
- BE ON TIME. Roll will be checked at the beginning of practice and places in line will be assigned then. If you are not there, you will have no place in line which means you will not be able to participate on Friday. You may NOT leave practice early.
- Dress appropriately. School dress code STILL APPLIES at graduation practice.
- BEHAVE. You are seniors and the leaders of our school. Behave. Any behavior issues will result in you being dismissed from practice and the graduation ceremony.

#### Schedule:

Thursday and Friday

8:30- Roll call and begin practice ???- We will end when we get it right!

## Please remember the rain policy for Graduation.

If it becomes necessary to cancel the graduation ceremony on Friday evening due to rain, It will be rescheduled for Saturday morning at 10:00 am in the stadium. If the rain persist, it will be moved to the gym at 10:00 am Saturday and each graduate will be given 4 tickets for attendees.