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Dear Senior Parent(s):

Congratulations, we have begun the final stages of preparation for your son or daughter's graduation from Ogemaw Heights High School.

We are excited to share many of the exciting activities between now and graduation. Below are some of the specific senior activities as well as the accompanying dates.

FINES: <u>Friday, April 29:</u> Last day to pay any outstanding fines, including library, lunch, athletics, and any other fines and fees.

#### MARCHING

**PARTNER:** <u>Friday, April 29</u>: Last day to turn in your walking/marching partner for commencement. If we do not receive this information, you will be assigned a partner by random draw.

#### CAP AND

GOWN: <u>Tuesday, May 10:</u> Cap and gown delivery is during lunches. All fines and fees must be paid prior to receiving the cap and gown.

#### SENIOR

AWARDS: <u>Thursday, May 19</u>: Senior Awards and Scholarship Program 6:00 pm at the Ogemaw Heights Auditorium. At this program, seniors are being recognized for their accomplishments with class awards. Students will also receive their honor cords and certificates. This program is by invitation only.

#### EXAM

**EXEMPTION:** <u>Friday, May 20</u>: To be eligible for exam exemptions, seniors must have no more than 4 unexcused absences (COVID related absences do not affect Eligibility). Seniors must also have a class grade of 86.5% or higher and no suspensions during this semester no later than May 20, 2022 at 2:20 pm.

#### ESP Breakfast/

Kiwanis Lunch: <u>Tuesday, May 24</u>: Students will receive a letter and/or invitation for these events. The ESP Breakfast is for recipients of ESP Scholarships. The Kiwanis Luncheon is for seniors with a 3.5 and above GPA.

### LAST DAY

#### FOR SENIORS:

Wednesday, May 25: Last day for seniors who are exempt from exams. Senior tailgate.

# **EXAMS:** <u>**Thursday and Friday, May 26 and 27:**</u> Senior Exams for those not exempt. All exams will take place in the media center.

HOLIDAY: Monday, May 30: Memorial Day – No School

COMMENCEMENT PRACTICE/ DRESS REHEARSAL:

**Friday, June 3:** Seniors choosing to march in the graduation ceremony **must** attend a mandatory practice/dress rehearsal from **3:00 pm** – **5:00 pm**. Parents are encouraged to participate in the dress rehearsal to take close-up pictures of their student receiving their diploma. During the actual ceremony, no spectators are allowed inside the fence to take pictures. Please wear the clothing for the dress rehearsal you will wear for graduation, including your cap, gown, and honor cords. It is assumed that students who don't attend practice are not participating. Therefore, if you do not attend the practice/dress rehearsal, you will be at risk of not participating at graduation. As a reminder, students must have completed all graduation requirements to participate in commencement.

#### **COMMENCEMENT:**

<u>Sunday, June 5:</u> The graduation ceremony for the Class of 2022 is **Sunday, June 5, at 5:00 pm** at the Ogemaw Heights Stadium. In case of inclement weather, the commencement ceremony will be delayed or moved to the next suitable weather day. Seniors are to report to the gym for graduation line-up at 4:15 pm on June 5. **Diplomas need to be picked up, after graduation, by the concession stand.** 

The graduation ceremony is a formal event that requires appropriate dress. Senior men must wear a collared shirt and tie attire, dress slacks with dress shoes. Women's dress shoes must not have spiked or pointed heels because of damage caused to the track surface. **Flip-flops and beach sandals are not allowed. No jeans are permitted.** (Ladies should wear a dress, dress slacks or skirt with an appropriate top.) If you are unsure if your attire is inappropriate, please check with Mr. Doan or Mrs. Ziegler on the day of dress rehearsal. **If your student shows up dressed inappropriately, he/she will be at risk of not marching**.

As a reminder, if you need your high school transcript, you can request a copy through Parchment.com. In addition, you can find the link on our website at <u>www.wbrc.k12.mi.us</u>.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Mr. Doan or Mrs. Ziegler at 343-2020.

Sincerely,

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Benjamin Doan, Principal Ogemaw Heights High School

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