

NUTLEY HIGH SCHOOL

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Dear Parent/Guardian:

We are pleased to announce that we will be holding in-person graduation ceremonies for the Class of 2021. The ceremony will be held June 24th at Tangorra Field at the Nutley Park Oval at 10:00 a.m. (Exact time *may be* subject to weather delays.) Social distancing in schools is still required. Because we would like to include as many guests as we can and also adhere to social distancing requirements, we ask that families sit appropriately apart from each other, and if they cannot, to please wear a face mask. The Oval can be very hot even at this early hour. Please bring water with you.

SENIOR OBLIGATIONS

Seniors will be responsible for completing all obligations before being considered eligible for participation in graduation activities. Obligations include any payment of any fines or return of any equipment or books due to a department of the school. This includes returning your child's Chromebook unless you have opted to buy it (SEE ENCLOSED INFORMATION FROM THE TECHNOLOGY DEPT).

GRADUATION REHEARSAL

- Graduation Rehearsal is MANDATORY.
- Rehearsal is scheduled for June 23rd from 10:15 a.m. 12:00 p.m. ***
 Please arrive by 10:15 am and report directly to the Oval.
 ***If JHWMS promotion is moved to June 23rd, then our rehearsal will be moved to 11:15.
- **\$** Face masks are required at Graduation Rehearsal.
- * TICKETS AND HONOR CORDS WILL BE DISTRIBUTED AT THIS TIME.

YEARBOOK SIGNING

- Seniors will be able to pick up their yearbooks after graduation rehearsal, starting at noon.
- From 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m., students will be able to sign yearbooks and also pick up their tickets and honor cords.

GRADUATION EXERCISES

- ❖ Thursday, June 24th, 10:00 am (exact time may be subject to weather delays)
- ❖ Tangorra Field at the Nutley Park Oval
- Each senior will receive **4 graduation tickets** that will be distributed at graduation rehearsal. Family who cannot attend are encouraged to view through stream/simulcast (details below)
- **...** There is no reserved seating.
- ❖ We ask that families sit appropriately apart from each other, and if they cannot, to please wear a face mask while in the Oval.

GRADUATION EXERCISES ~ GUIDELINES FOR STUDENTS

We are asking your help to make our graduation the dignified ceremony it should be. Therefore, with the approval of the Board of Education, the following guidelines must be adhered to by all those who wish to participate in the ceremony. <u>Enclosed you will find a Graduation Contract that must be filled out and signed by parent and student and returned to the Main Office by June 11th.</u>

PROPER DRESS ATTIRE

- **\$** Face masks must be worn by all graduates during the procession.
- Dresses, skirts, or slacks must be worn by girls.
- Slacks, white shirts and ties must be worn by boys.
- **Shorts** are not allowed.
- ❖ Appropriate shoes must be worn. Please no flip-flops.

CAPS, GOWNS AND HONOR CORDS

- This year, caps and gowns can be ordered online and will be delivered directly to the student's home. The cost is \$1 and can be purchased at https://varsityclubproducts.com/product-category/nutley-high-school/
- ❖ All honor cords and sashes will be distributed after rehearsal.

PICTURES OF STUDENTS WHEN THEY RECEIVE THEIR DIPLOMA

- ❖ Picture taking is not permitted on the field.
- Pictures may be taken from the stands.
- ❖ Each senior will have their picture taken as they receive their diploma by Joseph's Photographers.
- ❖ Pictures may be viewed on Joseph's Photographers' website at www.josephphotographers.com and may be purchased for \$15.00.

NOISEMAKERS

As you know, the high school graduation ceremonies at Nutley High School have special meaning for all of us. **Noisemakers of any kind, specifically air horns, are not allowed** and any guest using a noisemaker will be removed from the Oval. Students who create a disturbance at these proceedings will be removed from the ceremony and their diplomas withheld.

PREVENTION OF USE OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES

<u>We ask that you take special care to prevent the use of alcoholic beverages before or after the ceremonies.</u> We strongly recommend that all of our graduates participate in Project Graduation, which is being held at MetLife Stadium. Project Graduation is a fun-filled non-alcoholic evening following the graduation ceremony. With the cooperation of all concerned, we can maintain our fine tradition for this memorable occasion.

GRADUATION SIMULCAST

Simulcast may also be viewed on Cablevision channel 77 and Verizon channel 42 (in the Nutley area) and streamed through the Nutley High School website.