



## Graduates - Commencement Ceremony

Rehearsal: Thursday, June 29 at 1:30 (following Report Card pick-up)  
(Mass and Banquet speech rehearsals will follow)  
Ceremony: Thursday, June 29 at 7:00 p.m.

- ✓ Please arrive at the school and go to the art room by 6:30 p.m.
- ✓ Please arrive dressed appropriately:
  - Clean shoes (no flip flops or dirty runners).
  - Boys - black pants, dress shoes, or clean shoes, collared shirt.
  - Girls - black pants look very nice under these gowns, as does a dress and nice shoes.
  - Please just put your gown on over your clothes.
- ✓ When you arrive at the school, go to the art room where the gowns will be hanging. Gowns will be handed out alphabetically. Go to your designated table, state your last name to the teacher/supervisor and sign out your gown. Put the gown over the top of your clothes; put the stole on (short piece to the front), your cap and tassel. Tassels should be hanging on the right side of your cap.
- ✓ Line up in the basement hallway in alphabetical order. **GET RID OF ALL GUM!**
- ✓ When you proceed to the reserved seating, fill up the chairs. **FROM THE FRONT TO THE BACK.**
- ✓ When your name is called, please walk to the front of the stage and shake the dignitaries' hand, shake with your right and take the diploma with your left. Please remain still until dignitaries are done presenting.
- ✓ Once you receive your diploma, **move the cap tassel from right side to left side.**
- ✓ Please remember this is a serious and formal occasion and there are many people watching you and feeling very proud of you that day. Please show your respect to your peers & parents, the audience, teachers and honoured guests. Be quiet (no cell phones or any other distractions).
- ✓ When the ceremony is over, you can remain in your gown for pictures and at the reception. Please return your gown to the art room. Be sure to check it back in with the designated people in your designated location. Sign your gown back in beside where you signed it out.
- ✓ No eating with your gowns on, other than dainties in Sion Hall.
- ✓ **YOU MAY KEEP YOUR HAT, TASSEL AND HONOR ROLL CORD.**
- ✓ *If you want a picture taken in your gown, please do this as soon as possible after the ceremony.*
- ✓ *Return gowns by 9:00 p.m.*

**Good Luck Grade 12's and Congratulations!**

