

TRITON REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL

CLASS OF 2023



**COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES
JUNE 15, 2023**

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FINAL INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES

PLEASE KEEP THE ATTACHED MATERIAL FOR FUTURE REFERENCE

TO MEMBERS OF THE CLASS OF 2023:

Congratulations on your upcoming graduation! As your senior year comes to a close, you are about to achieve the goal you set for yourself when you first entered Triton Regional High School. This is a very exciting time and your graduation is an event that you will remember for the rest of your life.

The administration, faculty and staff at Triton want your graduation to be as perfect as possible. In order to accomplish this, we must all work together. These instructions will inform you, your parents, family and friends of all the procedures necessary to make your graduation ceremony a memorable occasion. Please remember that it is **mandatory** to attend graduation practice and abide by all of the guidelines in this packet.

Once again, congratulations and best wishes for your future success.

**PLEASE BE SURE TO SHARE THIS PACKET WITH YOUR PARENTS/
GUARDIANS AS IT CONTAINS VALUABLE INFORMATION FOR THEM.**

**RECEIPT OF THIS PACKET DOES NOT GUARANTEE GRADUATION.
FINAL PASSING GRADES, CREDITS, DISCIPLINE and ATTENDANCE
REQUIREMENTS MUST BE MET TO ENSURE GRADUATION.**



GENERAL INFORMATION



OBLIGATIONS:

All charges, payments for lost books, uniforms, damaged or lost equipment, and money owed to the senior class or debts of any kind whatsoever must be settled and paid in full by the end of the day on **Thursday, June 8th**. Every senior is personally responsible for taking care of these matters; do not wait for official reminders. If you are in doubt about any debt, be certain you check with the individuals concerned. Failure to meet the deadline date may mean that you cannot take part in the commencement exercises. Your cap & gown will not be distributed until all fines have been paid.

Chromebooks will be collected on **Thursday, June 8th, bells 2 and 3**. You will be called by last name while in the cafeteria during a graduation assembly to return your Chromebook. Please inspect your Chromebook **today**, do not wait to hear that you have a fine for missing items or damages to the equipment. Mr. Scully and the Tech Squad are available before or after school or during Mustang Time in the Library Media Center for repairs. **NOTE:** Lost or stolen items are not considered accidental warranty. You must return the original district issued Chromebook, charger, case, and adaptor, otherwise, you will receive a fine for missing items. Fines for Chromebooks must be paid on **Thursday, June 8th** using cash or money order in order to receive your graduation cap/gown.

2022-2023 FINES FOR DAMAGED CHROMEBOOKS

ITEM	REPLACEMENT COST
Dell 3180 Chromebook	\$300
Charger Adaptor	\$45
Charger Cord	\$11
Chromebook Screen	\$100
Total Cost - Nothing Returned	\$356

DISTRIBUTION OF CAPS AND GOWNS:

All caps and gowns must be paid in full prior to Friday, June 9th If you do not have any unpaid fines, caps and gowns will be distributed on Monday, June 12th, in individually wrapped bags on which your name appears. These are yours to keep.

- On Monday, June 12th, students will travel via school buses to the middle schools for a graduation walk and then complete their regularly scheduled classes. Place your items in your locker after returning from the walk and then take home with you at dismissal.
- **Students should be very careful not to misplace their ceremony items. The cost to replace the CAP/TASSEL will be \$15.00. The full package is \$35.00.**

INSTRUCTIONS FOR WEARING CAPS:

- Caps should be placed on the head with the deep part of the cap to the back.
- The front peak of the cap should be halfway down on the forehead.
- Caps should be worn straight, not tipped; not on the back of the head showing the hairline.
- **The tassel is always worn draped over the left corner until after the diploma has been granted.**
- **No messages, signs, or other items may be added to the cap.**
- Boys will keep their caps on their head through all academic exercises except during the playing of the National Anthem.

ATTIRE UNDER GOWNS:

- Button-up dress shirt with tie, khaki or dress pants, skirts or dresses. **NO JEANS**
- **Skirts and/or dresses MUST be appropriate in length.**
- Low heeled shoes - walking in the grass causes heeled shoes to sink into the dirt causing people to trip and fall.
- **Shorts, sneakers, flip flops and work boots will NOT be permitted.**
- **Triton's store (free to all students) will be open after graduation practices. The store is located in the LMC.**
- **Should you need assistance in obtaining any of the clothing/shoes, please contact the Principal's Office at Triton 939-4500 ext. 2014**

THE DRESS CODE WILL BE STRICTLY ENFORCED. ANY VIOLATION WILL JEOPARDIZE YOUR PARTICIPATION IN THE GRADUATION CEREMONY.

Members of the National Honor Society will wear special stoles. These stoles are to be obtained from Ms. Chambers and returned directly to her after the ceremony.

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE AND REHEARSAL SCHEDULE:

It is only natural that all seniors are anxious to have as nearly perfect a commencement as possible. This final exercise creates a lasting impression on the participants and the audience. In order to give a smooth performance, **it is necessary, therefore, for each graduate to attend the rehearsals.** Please be prompt. Seniors may not leave school grounds until dismissed for the day.

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE AND REHEARSAL SCHEDULE (Continued):

Commencement practice will be held on **Tuesday, June 13th, Wednesday, June 14th, and Thursday, June 15th during the school day.** All students will report directly to the Gymnasium. **No excuses** for being late.

- Seniors **must attend** practice.
- No one will be excused for work or any other reason. Please notify your employers now of your mandatory attendance at all graduation practices.
- Seniors must attend school up to and including June 15th.
- Seniors will be dismissed for the day at the conclusion of practice on June 13th, June 14th & June 15th. ***This may be as early as 10:00 a.m. but no later than 11:45 a.m. When the students are dismissed we will notify parents using our call/email system.***

CONDUCT DURING REHEARSALS:

The same high standards of conduct will be observed during rehearsals as would be observed at other times during school attendance. The following will serve as a reminder:

- Listen quietly and carefully to all directions.
- The same dress regulations will be in effect as for regular class attendance.
- No one may be excused during rehearsals.
- VAPING or SMOKING during either the rehearsal or the ceremony is not permitted.
- Cell phones, Earbuds, Earpods, headphones, radios, and I-pods must be turned off and out of sight during rehearsal and graduation ceremony. Use of these items will cause them to be removed and returned after practice.

All disciplinary rules and regulations are in effect through graduation. Violation of the disciplinary code may result in forfeiting the privilege of participating in commencement exercises.

DISTRIBUTION OF TICKETS FOR COMMENCEMENT EXERCISE:

- Anyone planning to attend the graduation ceremony must have a ticket. Due to the amount of seating available, we ask that any small child without a ticket remain on the lap of an adult. Seating arrangements will be on a first-come, first-seated basis.
- Distribution of tickets will be **Wednesday, June 14th at practice.** Each graduate will be given:
 - **Two (2) blue tickets** (bleacher/outside seating) and in the event of inclement weather the ticket will be used for admittance into the gymnasium.
 - **Two (2) pink tickets** (bleacher/outside seating) and in the event of inclement weather, will be admitted into a classroom to watch the ceremony via television.
 - **Four (4) white tickets** (outside standing room only) and in the event of inclement weather, will be admitted into a classroom to watch the ceremony via television. **Additional white standing room only tickets can be requested through our website at www.bhprsd.org/triton on the main page.**

DISTRIBUTION OF TICKETS FOR COMMENCEMENT EXERCISE (continued):

- **Disabled seating is available** on ground level of the track in front of bleachers. **Tickets (orange or purple)** for this section **MUST** be reserved prior to the event. Please visit our school website at www.bhprsd.org/triton on the main page. If you do not have computer access, please contact Donna Romond at (856) 939-4500 ext. 2014.

COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY:

Commencement exercises will be held on **Thursday, June 15, 2023, at 6:00 p.m.**

- Seniors will report to the cafeteria at **4:30 p.m.**
- Students may be dropped off at the student circle.
- Students, if you are driving to school, please follow the directions of the police officers on duty. You will have special parking at the back entrance of the school parking lot. **Students ONLY should use the Oak Avenue entrance.**

Please inform your guests that they should be **seated by 5:45 p.m.** Latecomers will not be admitted during the procession, nor while a speech is in progress. **Gates to the stadium will open at 5:00 p.m. NO PETS, LAWN CHAIRS, LARGE BAGS OR BACKPACKS, AND/OR BALLOONS ARE PERMITTED.**

+++ In case of inclement weather, please use the main entrance to the building. +++

CONDUCT DURING COMMENCEMENT:

All of the above rules and regulations apply. Additionally, proper behavior is expected during the ceremony. At **no time** are you permitted to stand up and call out to other students. **Anyone who disrupts or attempts to disrespect the ceremony will be removed and charges will be filed, if applicable. You will not receive your diploma on June 15th.**

FLOWERS AND GIFTS FOR COMMENCEMENT:

- All flowers and gifts for individuals are to be sent to their home address **not** to the school.
- Students will not be permitted to carry flowers, balloons, or other gifts with them in the ceremony.
- **Balloons and tripods will not be permitted on the field seating area or in the gymnasium.**

GUESTS:

- **Gates to the stadium will open at 5:00 p.m.**
- **No large bags or backpacks will be permitted in the stadium.**
- Everyone should be **seated by 5:45 p.m.** Latecomers will not be admitted during the procession, nor while a speech is in progress.
- **Reminder: No pets, balloons, lawn chairs, and tripods are permitted in the stadium.**
- **Inclement weather:** In the event of inclement weather, the ceremony will be held in the Gymnasium. Two tickets will gain Parents/Guardians access to the Gymnasium, all other guests will view the ceremony from classrooms or other areas of the building.
- We ask your cooperation in keeping this a joyous and solemn event. In order for the students to process in and recess out respectfully, **all guests should remain in their seats** at all times.

PARKING:

- Due to the size of the Class of 2023, **limited parking for graduation** will be available in the main school lot.
- Guests should use the main entrance on **Schubert Avenue by the Marquee.**
- **Gates to the parking lot will open at 4:45 p.m.**

REPORT CARD AND DIPLOMA DISTRIBUTION:

Immediately following the commencement exercises, each senior must report back to the teacher in the graduation classroom to which he/she has been assigned. Your diploma will be issued at that time. Also included in your envelope will be your student immunization record and a citation from the 5th District Legislative Office. As a graduate of Triton Regional High School, you will want to set a good example and cooperate in this final activity of your class. **Report cards will be distributed at a later date.**



THANK YOU FOR YOUR COMPLETE COOPERATION AND

CONGRATULATIONS CLASS OF 2023

