



A PARENT'S GUIDE TO GRADUATION 2018

Wausau East High School, Wausau, WI



DEAR PARENTS & GUARDIANS ...

Congratulations! Your sons and daughters will soon graduate from Wausau East High School! On behalf of our entire staff, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for all that you have done to make this special day possible!

As principal, I want this high school graduation ceremony to be a special occasion that each graduate will cherish forever. The purpose of this newsletter is to inform you of important dates, times, rules, and procedures related to this celebration. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 715.261.0671.

We are all very proud of the many accomplishments of the Class of 2018 and look forward to their continued future success.

Congratulations and best wishes!

Bradley J. Peck, Ph.D.
Principal



CALENDAR SERVICE

April 24 9:00 am-1:00 pm

Delivery of Graduation Cap/Gown/Tassel and Announcements held in the Community Room-F125

May 2 7:00-10:00 pm

Senior Scholarship Night held in East Auditorium

May 16 5:00-8:00 pm

C.A.F.E. - Cultural Arts Fair at East - Commons

May 20 5:30-8:30 pm

Senior Athletic Banquet held at Jefferson Street Inn

May 22 1:00-1:30 pm

Senior Academic Awards held in East Gymnasium during a Special Assembly

May 23 6:45-8:00 pm

IB Reception held in the East Commons

May 24

Seniors' last day of school

May 28 7:00 pm

Baccalaureate Service held at DC Everest High School in the Auditorium

May 30 11:00-11:30 am

Graduation practice held in East Gymnasium

May 30 7:30-9:30 pm

Graduation held in East Gymnasium

May 30 10:00 pm-2:00 am

All Night Graduation Party - held at the Boys & Girls Club



CAP, GOWN AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

The wearing of caps and gowns is a tradition that represents a common level of achievement and personal worth regardless of the individual differences between people. They are a symbol of academic achievement that has managed to survive over the years and it continues here at Wausau East High School.

Only students who have a cap and gown may take part in the ceremony. Again, all students need to be furnished with a complete unit (cap, gown, and tassel). The fee for this keepsake gown kit is \$40. Separate fees: \$10 tassel, \$10 cap and \$20 gown.

Mark your calendar: Jostens will be here for cap and gown distribution on Tuesday, April 24, from 9:00 am-1:00 pm, in the Community Room, F125.

Please make your check payable to JOSTENS.

If you did not order or are in need of a cap, gown or announcements, or if you have any questions, please call Ms. Hollander at 715.261.0651.

NOTE: Red gowns, 1998 to present, may also be used. Graduates may use a sibling's cap/gown, but will need to purchase a current year tassel.

REHEARSAL

All seniors participating in commencement exercises ARE REQUIRED TO ATTEND the rehearsal. Seniors who are unable to attend due to illness or a prearranged reason, should see Ms. Hollander in Student Services for instructions.

The rehearsal is scheduled for 11:00 am on May 30, in the Wausau East High School Gym.

COMMENCEMENT

The ceremony takes place Tuesday, May 30, at 7:30 pm, in the Wausau East High School Gym. We ask that graduates report at 6:45 pm to their appropriate area to be lined up and given name slips. Information will be given at graduation practice that day.

Doors open at 6:30 pm for family and guests.

No tickets are necessary and there is no limit of guests.

WHAT TO WEAR

The senior class officers, Student Council representatives and administration are asking that all graduates dress appropriately for the graduation ceremony. It is not appropriate to wear corsages on graduation gowns or write/draw on the graduation cap.



TASSEL

The tassel is worn on the left side of the graduation cap.



NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

Senior members of the National Honor Society, in good standing, will be given a gold cord for the graduation ceremony.

These cords will be handed out at the Senior Awards Assembly on Tuesday, May 22, at 1:00 pm in the Wausau East Gymnasium.



PICTURES AT COMMENCEMENT

Pictures will be taken at commencement. Every graduate is photographed by a professional photographer as they receive their diploma.



A FREE color proof is emailed and/or mailed to every graduate. There is no obligation to order and the graduate keeps the proof. Low cost color prints may be ordered by mail.

2018 BACCALAUREATE SERVICE

Monday, May 28, at 7:00 pm, at D.C. Everest High School in the Auditorium.

Theme—Together as One: Let Your Light Shine

Doors will open at 6:30 pm. No tickets are necessary.

Graduates who wish to participate are asked to be in the Commons at 6:40 pm, dressed in cap and gown.

If you would like more information, please contact Kathy Ross at 715.571.7356.

OBLIGATIONS

We expect seniors will pay fines and fees prior to graduation. We will hold a senior diploma until all payments are made or appropriate arrangements have been completed on their school accounts.

Graduates need to resolve all of these matters with their teachers and coaches prior to graduation. You may check for fines or fees in the Business Office.



NOTE: Diplomas may be picked up after the graduation ceremony if all fines/fees are paid. They will be located in the concessions stand area.

SEATING FOR THE PHYSICALLY DISABLED AT GRADUATION

There will be reserved seating available in the gymnasium for guests who are unable to sit in the bleachers or need to have special consideration in their seating arrangements. This seating is for people who have physical disabilities or are elderly. We ask for the cooperation of parents and guests to honor this reserved area for those that need it.



GRADUATION NIGHT PARTY

In an effort to provide a fun and safe celebration for all East graduates, parents, along with community businesses and volunteers, are again planning a party at the Boys & Girls Club after graduation – May 30.

Party time 10:00 pm - 2:00 am

PRIZES will be awarded!

ACTIVITIES may include: Hypnotist, Casino, DJ with dancing, and more.

CLOTHING – Dress casual

All bags will be taken at the doors and stored.

FOOD WILL BE SERVED ALL NIGHT

Pizza, subs, eggrolls, pop, fruit, veggies, and more

Tickets are \$15 and will be sold in the East Business Office, May 1-30.



Good Luck

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Class of 2018