

FIHS CLASS OF 2017 SENIOR & END OF YEAR ACTIVITIES

Grad Bash Participants Meeting – April 13th

- All seniors who have purchased tickets to attend Grad Bash must attend this meeting in the café – **girl participants at 7:30 am and boy participants at 8:45 am**. Students will be summoned via intercom.
- Any student who must carry medication of any type should bring a note from parents including medication name and dosage. This note is turned in to Mrs. Salvino as arrangements must be made in advance with Universal Studios.
- A list of participants will be provided to faculty prior to meeting.

Graduation Cap & Gown and Announcement Distribution – March 14th & 15th, April 18th (makeup day). All lunches in cafeteria.

- If money is still due, seniors should be prepared to settle the bill at this time.
- Honor Cords/Stoles/Collar will be available through academic advisors and are only to be worn with cap and gowns.

Grad Bash at Universal Studios, Orlando – April 21st

- List of acceptable/unacceptable attire (dress code was given to those attending at ticket purchase and is still available from Mrs. Salvino).
- All participants **MUST** be in school for **1st thru 5th periods**. Participants will be excused via intercom at the end of 5th period to go home for lunch and change of clothing but **MUST** be in **gymnasium by 2:30p.m.** Buses will leave promptly at 3:30p.m. Return home around 5 a.m. Saturday.
- Bus assignments are based on the order tickets were purchased.
- Any student who must carry **medication** of any type must see Mrs. Salvino by April 14th. Arrangements must be made in advance with Universal. **A Doctor's authorization on file with our school nurse WILL NOT work for the Universal Studios trip.**
- Each student and their belongings will be searched prior to boarding the bus. Any non-authorized item will be discarded. Any illegal substance and the person it is found with will be referred to the School Resource Officer present and will not board the bus.
- No food or beverage will be permitted on the bus for the ride to Orlando. There will be a rest stop between the school and arrival at the parks.
- Suggested items for trip and ride home: blanket/pillow (which must be left on the bus during the event). Cell phones are encouraged. A complete list of approved/prohibited items including dress code will be provided to each attendee at the participants meeting.
- Money for food, beverages, and souvenirs, if desired. Event Tickets will be given out as the bus arrives in Orlando so they cannot be misplaced.

Junior/Senior Prom - Saturday, April 29th. This year's theme: A Night in The City

- Tickets will be on sale April 18th, 19th, 20th. Tickets that week will only be \$50. The following week, tickets will be on sale Tuesday, April 25th, and Wednesday, April 26th and will cost \$65.00. **WEDNESDAY, APRIL 26th WILL BE THE LAST DAY TICKETS WILL BE SOLD.** No tickets will be sold at the door. Please plan ahead.
- Faculty Members will be informed of the chaperone schedule as it gets closer.
- Approval forms for non-FIHS dates must be turned in to the Attendance office for approval **prior** to ticket purchase. These forms are available in Attendance or Main Office.
- A completed Off-Campus Activity Consent & Release form and Ticket Order form are required to purchase a ticket.
- Prom will be held at Herbert University Center @ UNF, Jacksonville, FL 8:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m.
- There will be hors d'oeuvres and non-alcoholic beverages available.

Senior vs Staff Game – May 4, TBD

\$5.00 tickets on sale May 1 thru May 5th only during all lunches.

Special Needs/Handicap Seating at Graduation

- Beginning May 7th, please sign up for these spaces prior to Graduation week in Mrs. Salvino's Office. One family member may be seated with the handicap guest in this section. All requests should be received by May 26th. Remaining family members must sit in the regular reserved seating or open seating area outside the Graduating Class on the field.

Senior Awards Night – May 18th

- 7:00 p.m. Fleming Island High School Cafetorium.
- Recipients of awards will be notified. Invite guests to attend!
- Dress nicely. Please no jeans, T-shirts, or flip-flops.
- Anyone receiving a scholarship/honor after the survey due date, should notify Mrs. Burke, Assistant Principal, directly. Completion of this form is the only way we will track scholarships and community awards.

Seniors Who Owe

- Mrs. Salvino will continue to collect names of seniors/amounts/descriptions of anything due FIHS. All debts must be settled to graduate.

Baccalaureate - School officials may not mandate or organize religious ceremonies. Due to these constraints Senior Class Officers are responsible for organizing and disseminating information in regards to this event to all graduates and their families. This is **a student directed, non-denominational ceremony**. Graduates traditionally wear caps and gowns. This year the students have indicated it will be held **Tuesday, May 23, 6 p.m. at Grace Anglican Church**.

Senior Week Activities – May 22nd thru 25th

- 5/22 Senior Take-Over Day
- 5/23 Senior Spirit/College Shirt Day & distribution of Exemption/Clearance Sheets 1st period and Senior locker clean-out 4th period.
- 5/25 Senior Swim Party – 10am – TBD

Senior Exam Exemption/Clearance Sheets handed out during 1st period May 23. How it works....

- May 23 1st period teachers give the form to each senior in your class.
- May 23-31 Seniors gather signatures **only when obligations are complete**.
- May 31 Senior Exam Exemption/Clearance Sheet must be turned in to Mrs. Salvino's office by **each senior by end of school day, May 31**. Any outstanding debts to school (lost textbook, library book, etc.) must also be paid by that time.

Senior Locker Clean-Out 4th period – May 23rd.

Senior Swim Party – May 25th

- Eagle Harbor Swim Club - 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Tickets are \$10.00 and can be purchased during all lunches **May 15 thru 19**. Tickets include beverage and lunch. There must be 200 students signed up or event will be cancelled.

Senior Final Exams – Friday, May 26 (5th & 6th), Tuesday, May 30 (3rd & 4th) & Wednesday, May 31 (1st & 2nd) Do not give exams early!

***** SENIOR GRADES MUST BE POSTED BY 12 NOON ON May 31st *****

MANDATORY Graduation Rehearsals – June 1 and June 2.

- If students do not attend... they do NOT walk!
- All seniors must be in the stadium prior to 8 am Thursday and Friday. Underclass graduation marshals also attend. (You will get a list)
- Seniors wait in the home stands until invited onto field by an administrator.
- Regarding tickets for ceremony issued at rehearsal **June 2**. 4 tickets will be issued per student for seating in reserved section (home stand).
- Also at June 2 practice, students see Mrs. Salvino to receive the special seating tickets for handicapped family members which were previously requested.
- Seating is available for additional guests in the Visitors Stand or by bringing a lawn chair to sit outside the Graduating Class seating area on the field. Lawn chairs may only be placed on the field beginning at 2:30pm on graduation day.

Senior Breakfast – June 2

- Approx. 9:30 a.m. Fleming Island Plantation Golf Club House.
- All graduating seniors are eligible to attend. (There is no fee involved.)
- Dress nicely, but comfortably – please follow school dress code.

The Ceremony – June 2 – 8pm, promptly, at FIHS Stadium

- Students arrive no later than 6:30 p.m. and go to designated line in the cafetorium.
- Graduates will be checked by faculty for beach balls, silly string, etc.... which will be discarded.
- Appropriate dress required for graduates:
Males – nice black pants, no jeans, no cargo pants, black dress shoes, dark socks, white shirt and must wear a tie.
Females – nice white dress or nice white skirt/slacks and white blouse, white dress shoes, absolutely no flip-flops.
- Students are not to bring anything with them to Graduation. (Cell phones, purses, etc. will be collected.)
- Recessional will proceed to courtyard for last class picture.
- After the ceremony, graduates will meet back in the cafeteria and pick up diploma.

Back Up Plan for Ceremony due to a severe weather event –

Postponement to Saturday morning 9:00 a.m. or Monday at 8:00 p.m. only due to a significant weather event. Graduation will not be postponed for a forecast of showers. Have guests, please bring an umbrella or wear appropriate attire.

HOME STANDS – ticketed seating (see diagram on next page)

- seating is available for additional guests in the Visitors Stand or by bringing a lawn chair to sit outside the Graduating Class seating area on the field.
- **Lawn chairs may only be placed on the field beginning at 2:30 pm on graduation day.**

STADIUM set-up for Graduation

