



Philomath High School

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“PRESERVING OUR PAST --- PREPARING OUR FUTURE”

*****Learning the R.O.P.E.S.*****

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Dear Parents/Guardians and Seniors,

Over the years we have had several questions ask regarding graduation. I am hoping I can list some of the questions along with the answers so that when the big day arrives you won't have to be concerned with unanswered questions.

The following are some questions/answers that I hope will be helpful:

1. Do you have to pay for tickets for graduation and is there a limit on how many guest can attend? Answer: No you do not have to purchase tickets and there is no limit to the amount of guest that can attend graduation.
2. Can we reserve seating? Answer: We don't say NO but we do ask that you only reserve no more than 10 chairs per family. The chairs are rented so therefore we only want "masking tape" to be used to reserve. We will remove any other form of tape if used as it will damage the chairs and we will remove tape if more than ten spots are taken. The track is locked down beginning Thursday for the graduation setup. No entry to tape off seating until Friday morning.
3. Will graduation still be held at Clemens Field if it rains? Answer: Yes, it will rain or shine.
4. How long will the graduation ceremony last? Answer: Typically the ceremony will last for 2 hours.
5. What time should we arrive at Clemens Field? Answer: Graduation will begin promptly at 1:00 so to get the best seating I would recommend you arrive by 12:15pm.
6. I have a handicapped relative and/or an elderly person who can't walk all the way around the track to the seating. Do you have someone to help them? Answer: Yes we provide an electric cart to pick up and take back anyone who needs assistance before and after graduation. The cart will be ready at the main entrance to the football field. Handicapped parking is also available in the South parking lot by the pool.

A courtesy reminder that everyone wants to take pictures of their graduating senior – please be considerate of the people you are standing/sitting in front of while taking your photos.

I am sure there are many other questions and please don't hesitate to contact me. We want this day to be as special and memorable as possible.

Also if your student owes any fees/fines (a statement will be enclosed if they owe a balance) need to be paid for by Friday, June 3rd at senior checkout.

See you June 4th!

Regards,

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