Graduation 2018
Antioch Community High School
Graduation Information

Senior Final Exam Schedule

- Tuesday, May 15
  Attend Class
  Periods 1, 2, 3, 4
  Test Periods 5, 6, 7, 8
- Wednesday, May 16
  Test Periods
  1, 2, 3, 4, & Make-Ups
  (Dismissal @ 11:15 am)
- Seniors enrolled in AP Advanced Placement courses are exempt from exams for that course.

Sunday, May 20, 2018, 1:00 PM
ACHS Stadium (Weather Permitting) OR ACHS North Gym (for inclement weather)

(Seniors are to check in at ACHS North Gym by 11:30 AM)
(In the case of inclement weather, students are to check in at the ACHS Auxiliary Gym by 11:30 AM)

Tickets: Each student will receive six tickets, which are distributed at graduation rehearsal. Tickets are provided in case the graduation has to be moved indoors due to inclement weather. Guest attendance is unlimited if the ceremony is held outdoors.

Attire: Appropriate dress attire is expected for the ceremony (i.e. dress pants, collared shirts and dresses). Blue jeans, shorts, gym shoes, flip flops, sandals or other beachwear are strictly prohibited. Students who do not meet the dress requirements will be afforded the opportunity to obtain appropriate attire by the time the march towards the stadium begins. Failure to do so will result in the student being removed from the marching order. **Decorating of mortarboard hat is prohibited**. Graduates who have modified their mortarboard hat will be removed from the lineup.

Gowns: No glitter, no additional ornamental articles unless they are school issued. (Honor Cords, Cum Laude Stole, NHS collar, etc). GOWNS WILL BE RETURNED AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE CEREMONY BEFORE STUDENTS PICK UP THEIR DIPLOMA.

Graduation Parking
Parking space is limited. Please assist us by reducing the number of vehicles that you drive to the ceremony. Parking at the lower level of the ACHS stadium will be reserved for handicapped parking. Parking is also available at McMillan Field, and a shuttle bus service will be provided.

Seating for the Elderly
ACHS runs a live feed of the graduation ceremony from the stadium into the auditorium for the convenience of those who cannot bear the heat. We encourage those who have elderly guests that experience difficulty climbing bleachers, or sitting outside for extended periods of time in warm temperatures, to take advantage of this accommodation. The auditorium offers comfortable seating in an air-conditioned venue, where your guests can comfortably enjoy the festivities via the live feed. Please drop off your guests at the ACHS auditorium entrance prior to parking. Seating is offered on a first come first serve basis.

Pictures
All families are welcome to use the stage with the ACHS logo backdrop for pictures following the ceremony. We respectfully request that you afford our staff a few minutes to clear the stage to make room for your guests.

Live Stream Information
Can’t make the ceremony? Family members out of state? You can Live Stream the graduation by copying the link below into your browser. This link will also be available on the school website.
https://livestream.com/accounts/10821605

Fees
All fines and fees must be paid in full in order for students to purchase prom tickets, and obtain their cap and gown. All ILC materials must also be returned to the ILC for collection of graduation regalia.

Graduation Rehearsal Information
(Graduation Rehearsal is MANDATORY)
FRIDAY, MAY 18, 10:00 AM, ACHS NORTH GYM
Students are to meet in the North Gym; we will review expectations for the ceremony and engage in a couple of exercises to ensure proper protocol is followed. Graduation rehearsal is MANDATORY! If a student fails to attend the rehearsal, his/her name will be removed from the line up for the Commencement Ceremony.
**Naviance Senior Exit Survey:** Seniors are expected to complete the Senior Exit Survey through their Naviance account, prior to initiating the checkout process. Failure to do so will result in delay of cap and gown pick-up, as students will be asked to complete, the survey prior to obtaining regalia. The survey is an important part of our data collection process. Results from the survey are compiled to assess our program effectiveness, in addition to obtaining critical information for proper mailing of final transcripts. This step is vital to completing the college admission process. Counselors will be going into English classes to assist with completion.

**Honor & High Honor Graduate Status:** Students who finish their high school career with a cumulative GPA of 3.6 or higher will earn Honor status for graduation. High Honor graduates are recognized for earning a cumulative GPA of 4.0 or higher. The gray tassel for Honor graduates and multi-colored cords for High Honor graduates will be distributed at graduation rehearsal. Students designated as honor students are to wear their gray tassels to the ceremony. Students designated as High Honor graduates are to wear their honor tassels in addition to their cords to the ceremony.

**Cum Laude Graduation Status:** Students that have earned Cum Laude recognition have met the six criteria of the program, which include: Scholarship (26 credits), Character (No suspensions during their four years), Volunteerism (completed 40 volunteer hours), Responsibility (maintained a 95% attendance average across all four years), Excellence (took a minimum of 3 Capstone classes), Pride (involvement in four extracurricular activities during their tenure as a student). A senior stole that they will wear during the ceremony will distinguish students who have met all six of the aforementioned criteria. Stoles are to be returned at the end of the event. In exchange, students will receive a Cum Laude Medallion as a keepsake.

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### Important Dates

1. **April 16**  Seniors receive Final Exam Exemption Request and Procedures
2. **April 21**  Prom Ticket Sales— All fees must be paid in full in order to purchase tickets (9-12)
3. **April 23**  Prom Ticket Sales— All fees must be paid in full in order to purchase tickets (7:30-8:45)
4. **April 23**  Graduation Speech Auditions
5. **April 24**  Prom Ticket Sales— All fees must be paid in full in order to purchase tickets (2:55-4:00 pm)
6. **April 25**  Prom Ticket Sales— All fees must be paid in full in order to purchase tickets (2:55-4:00 pm)
7. **May 1**  Honors Assembly—Full day of school with a morning assembly
8. **May 2**  Pre-Prom Assembly
9. **May 2**  Deadline for Seniors to submit their final exam exemption forms
10. **May 7-18**  Advanced Placement Testing
11. **May 9**  Senior Honors and Awards, 7:00 pm
12. **May 11**  Star Spangled Banner Graduation Auditions (Choir Room)
13. **May 12**  Prom
14. **May 15**  Senior Check Out/Cap and Gown pick up during lunch periods—Student Commons, Locker Cleanout, Finals 5, 6, 7, 8
15. **May 16**  Senior Check Out/Cap and Gown pick up during lunch periods—Student Commons, Locker Cleanout, Finals 1, 2, 3, 4
16. **May 18**  MANDATORY GRADUATION REHEARSAL @ 10:00 am
17. **May 20**  GRADUATION @ 1:00 pm, arrive to North Gym by 11:30 am