

Class of 2018

SENIOR ACTIVITIES

1. **Caps and Gowns** will be issued on Wednesday, June 6th, in the new gymnasium lobby during the lunch periods. Graduates **must** bring a **\$25.00** purchase fee in order to receive their gown. (Cash or Checks made payable to: *RHS Student Activities Fund*). Additionally, any senior with an outstanding obligation will not be issued their cap and gown until the obligation has been resolved with the Main Office. It is recommended that you try on both the cap and gown. See Ms. Sobine if you are absent on June 6th or if there is a problem with the fit of your cap and/or gown. The white collar included in the package is optional. Please note, your gown will need to be pressed.

At the conclusion of the graduation exercises, graduates report back to their homerooms to receive the formal diploma and collect belongings.

2. **APPAREL** for graduation is as follows:

BOYS

White or light blue shirt and necktie
Dress slacks (no jeans or shorts)
Socks and shoes (no sneakers or sandals)
NO SUNGLASSES

GIRLS

Light colored dress/skirt/dress slacks
(no shorts)
Flat shoes (no sandals or heels)
NO SUNGLASSES

STUDENTS WHO ARE INAPPROPRIATELY DRESSED WILL NOT WALK.

3. **Senior Class Dinner.** A dinner honoring Seniors is scheduled for **Friday, June 8th, at 6:00 p.m. in the Ridge High School cafeteria.**
4. **Graduation Rehearsals** will be held at **1:00 p.m.** on both **Tuesday, June 19th,** and **Wednesday, June 20th.** Graduates will assemble on Lee Athletic Field at 12:45 p.m. on both days. **Attendance is MANDATORY** if you wish to participate in the commencement ceremony. The length of each practice will be approximately 1 hour and thirty minutes. **Plan on carpooling to the rehearsals as there is not adequate parking to accommodate every senior. Be advised that anyone who double parks or parks in a fire lane will be ticketed.**
5. **The SCOP Team Ice Cream Party** will be held immediately after commencement practice on **Tuesday, June 19th,** in the RHS cafeteria.
6. **Obligations.** It is important that **EACH SENIOR** understand that all obligations **must** be met prior to graduation. Diplomas will not be distributed to students who owe financial/equipment obligations. This includes, but is not limited to the following:
 - A. Library books and fines
 - B. Textbooks and fines
 - C. Course requirements
 - D. Athletic equipment returned
 - E. All school property returned
 - F. All detentions served
7. **Commencement Tickets:** Commencement will be held outside unless the threat of severe weather is predicted. Tickets are **NOT** necessary for the outdoor ceremony, but will be distributed at the graduation rehearsal on June 20th, if necessary. **Two tickets per family will be handed out. NO EXCEPTIONS!**
8. **Seniors will report to their homerooms at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday afternoon, June 20th.** Commencement begins at 6:30 p.m. on **Lee Field (behind the high school).** **No one** except SENIORS, BAND MEMBERS, and NHS members assisting will be permitted in the building. **They should enter the building using the front canopy doors (the doors near the nurses' office).**
9. **Seniors in possession of alcoholic beverages** or showing evidence of drinking alcoholic beverages or the use of drugs **will not be permitted** to take part in the graduation exercises. In the event this occurs during the program, you will be removed from the field immediately.
10. **Project Graduation - The Bash, is June 20-21, 2018** and will be held at the Funplex in East Hanover, NJ. Students should plan to arrive at Ridge High School no later than 8:45 p.m. on June 20th. All buses will depart at 9:30 p.m. sharp. Students will return to Ridge High School at approximately 5:00 a.m. on Thursday, the 21st. Complete and return the Senior Bash permission slip, that was sent in the April 27th Friday Folder, to the RHS Health Office by Monday, May 21st.
11. **Thank you.** We have had an excellent year. We trust that your fine record will not be blemished in any way during your time remaining at Ridge High School and that each and every one of you will meet all of the graduation requirements on time. **Good Luck!**