



Manhasset Public Schools

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Dear Parents and Members of the Class of 2017:

Commencement for the Class of 2017 will occur on Friday, June 23rd at 5:30 p.m. This earlier start time is to enable our graduates to have family time after the ceremony has been completed.

Senior Activities – Monday, June 5th

Periods 6 and 7 Senior Barbeque on the front lawn
Periods 8 and 9 Yearbook distribution in the auditorium

Senior Activities – Last Day of Classes – Monday, June 12th

- **Senior Breakfast sponsored by the SCA in the cafeteria: 9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.**
- **Senior Send-off in the High School Auditorium: 10:15 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.**

Additional Mandatory Graduation Rehearsals

- **Wednesday, June 21st: 12:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.**
- **Thursday, June 22nd: 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.**

Caps & Gowns and Ticket Information

Caps and Gowns and tickets will be distributed following the rehearsal on Thursday, June 22nd. Six outdoor tickets to the ceremony in a reserved area will be issued to each family. The Seniors will receive these tickets immediately following the rehearsal on June 22nd. Unlimited general seating will be available for all other guests right behind the reserved area. Three indoor tickets per family will be distributed *in case inclement weather prohibits an outdoor ceremony*. These three tickets will be good for indoor admission to the middle school gymnasium until 5:45 p.m. After that time, unoccupied seats will be available to other guests.

In order to obtain tickets, cap and gown, and diploma:

1. *All outstanding school books, library books and materials, athletic equipment and any balances must be rectified.*
2. *The senior community service requirement must be met.*

Arrival Time: Graduation Day

Seniors must arrive by 4:30 p.m. with cap, gown and tassel and proceed to the auditorium. *Students are not permitted to bring containers (water bottles, plastic cups etc.) into the building.*
All students must wear the MHS cap and gown in order to participate in the ceremony.

Reminder: All seniors keep their caps and gowns. Immediately following graduation, all graduates will be able to pick up their diplomas in specific rooms at the high school. At a later date, announcements will be made indicating specific rooms for students to retrieve their diplomas.

Live Webcast of Graduation Ceremony 2017

The graduation will be viewable over the internet via a live stream hosted by YouTube. You will find a link to the stream posted 15 minutes prior to the start of the ceremony on the main Manhasset School District webpage (www.manhassettschools.org). This live stream broadcast will allow those who are not able to be present for this event to watch (and hear) it remotely.

Guests may also watch the ceremony in two air conditioned rooms – the Black Box and the Auditorium.

We have also received requests from parents asking if they can have a copy of the video. We will post the video on the main page on Monday, June 26th. There will also be instructions included as to how this video can be downloaded from our website.

Professional Photographer

Island Photography will take two pictures of each senior, one in the auditorium, and one while receiving the diploma case during the ceremony. These photos will be mailed home and there will be no obligation to purchase them.

SCA Backdrop

The SCA has provided a Manhasset Logo backdrop which will be left up after the ceremony for all families to use for personal photographs.

We look forward to a memorable ceremony!

Sincerely,



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