



High Point Academy

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Greetings,

It is with great pleasure that I write this letter to invite you and your loved ones to the High Point Academy Graduation Commencement Service for the graduating Class of 2024. We are honored to celebrate with you as we prepare for our students to receive diplomas. Graduating from high school is an important milestone for your child and one we will forever cherish in our memories at High Point Academy.

The High Point Academy Commencement Service will be held on **Friday, May 17, 2024, in the Performing Arts Center (PAC) on High Point Academy's campus. The doors will open at 5:45 pm. The service will begin promptly at 6:30 pm in the PAC. All guests are asked to be seated by 6:15 pm so the service can begin on time.** Each graduating student will receive **10 tickets** to share with immediate family members for admission to the Commencement Service.

A graduation ceremony is filled with pomp and circumstance as each individual student is honored with his or her class. Our graduating students have learned the importance of displaying honor, integrity, and service. Thank you for recognizing that our students have the right to hear individual names announced before and after other graduates walk across the stage to receive diplomas. Our expectation is that each individual student will be shown respect during this momentous occasion. We all share the responsibility to ensure that we preserve the dignity of this ceremony.

All of High Point Academy looks forward to seeing you at this culminating celebration. Congratulations to you, your family, and especially to our graduating Class of 2024.

Sincerely,

Russell K. Mahaffey

Mr. Russell K. Mahaffey, Principal
High Point Academy High School



High Point Academy 2024 Senior Schedule

Senior Awards Night

Thursday, May 16, 2024 at 6:30 pm - All individuals receiving an honor cord(s) and/or stoles will be recognized during this event held in the Performing Arts Center (PAC). **All participants should dress appropriately. Gentlemen will wear dark dress pants with dark socks and a white dress shirt with a necktie. Ladies will wear Sunday dresses or pants suits. All shoes should be dark dress shoes. (No jeans, flip flops, boots, Crocs, or tennis shoes are allowed.)** *****Graduation gowns are required and must be zipped up at all times. No caps or tassels should be worn.**

Senior Final Exams

Friday, May 10, 2024 - **1st and 2nd Block Exams start at 8:00 am.** Students will turn in textbooks and materials for 1st and 2nd block classes on this day. Students will report directly to the class. Seniors will be dismissed after the second block ends.

Monday, May 13, 2024 - **3rd and 4th Block Exams start 11:00 am.** Students will turn in textbooks and materials for 3rd and 4th block classes on this day. Students will report directly to class.

Students will bring computers and chargers. Computers and chargers will be collected when all exams are completed or on the student's last day of attendance.

Yearbook/Field Day

Wednesday, May 15, 2024 - Students may see Ms. White if they need to purchase a yearbook. Yearbooks will be distributed and seniors will participate in the field day activities. Seniors should report to the gym at 11:00 am.

Senior Fees

Wednesday, May 15, 2024 - **All senior fees must be paid by Wednesday, May 15th at 3:00 pm** in order to participate in graduation. **(No exceptions.)** All computers and chargers must also be turned in on this date. Fees could include but are not limited to library books, textbooks, lunch balances, ID charges, parking fines, computer fines, etc. Students must check with their teachers so they can ensure all textbooks and classroom materials are turned in on time. Parents and students will need to see Mr. Cox to pay fees.

Senior Walk and Kindergarten Graduation

Wednesday, May 15, 2024 at 9:00 am. - Graduates will walk through the hallway as they are celebrated by the entire school population. This event will help encourage the younger generation to be excited about this milestone which they will one day achieve as future graduates. Graduates should arrive by 8:00 am. and report to the PAC to participate. **All participants should dress appropriately. Gentlemen will wear dark dress pants with dark socks and a white dress shirt with a necktie. Ladies will wear Sunday dresses or pants suits. All shoes should be dark dress shoes. (No jeans, flip flops, boots, Crocs or tennis shoes are allowed).** *****Graduation gowns, caps and tassels are required.**

Graduation Rehearsal/Practice

Thursday, May 16, 2024 at 8:00 am to 12 pm - **All** seniors must participate in the entire, mandatory graduation practice in the PAC. **Practice is required in order to participate in the Graduation Commencement Service.** Students will need to arrive no later than 8:00 am for breakfast and rehearsal. All students must be present and on-time for the rehearsal to participate in the graduation ceremony. Please note that the rehearsal is for graduates only. A group photo will be taken after the rehearsal.

Graduation Tickets

Thursday, May 16th, 2024 - Graduation tickets will be distributed after the graduation rehearsal. **Each student will receive 10 tickets for their immediate family for our Commencement Ceremony.** It is imperative that students keep track of their tickets since extra tickets will not be available.

Graduation

Friday, May 17, 2024 at 6:30 pm - Commencement services will take place in the Performing Arts Center (PAC). Each student will be issued **10 tickets**. Seats are available on a first come, first served basis. Doors will open at 5:45 p.m. All participants must dress appropriately. Gentlemen will wear black or dark, navy dress pants, black or dark, navy socks and a dress shirt with a necktie. Ladies should wear black or dark, navy Sunday dresses or pants suits with black or dark, navy dress shoes. (No flip flops, Crocs, boots, or tennis shoes are allowed). **Only High Point Academy issued honor cords and tassels may be worn.** **Caps and gowns may not be decorated or accessorized.** **All Seniors should arrive at the High Point Academy Library by 5:30 pm.**

Email Accounts (Seniors)

Please be aware that post-graduation, all HPA senior student email accounts will be deactivated. We encourage students to transition to an alternative email address and include the new email address information on the senior survey that will be completed on May 12th/15th as stated above.

Hearing Impaired

If family members or guests need an interpreter for the graduation ceremony, please contact Dr. Bishop at rbishop@hpaspart.org by Friday, May 3rd. We will do our best to accommodate your request.

Limited Mobility Pick-up/Drop-off

If family members or guests need handicapped accessibility for the graduation ceremony, please contact Dr. Bishop at rbishop@hpaspart.org by Friday, May 3rd. We will do our best to accommodate you. Guests that have limited mobility can be dropped off at the PAC entrance doors for graduation; however, all cars should be parked in the designated parking spaces.