

## LETTER TO SENIORS - UPDATES -things to remember for Graduation MAY 4, 2009

### Senior Picnic Info

**Date:** Thursday, May 28<sup>th</sup> after graduation practice

**Place:** Regency Stadium (directions will be passed out after practice on the 28th)

**Time:** 1-5pm, the gates will be closed at 1:30pm and once you leave the stadium you will not be permitted to re-enter.

**Transportation:** On your own, if you need transportation you may pay \$5 at the bank starting May 4<sup>th</sup> until May 15<sup>th</sup>.

### Guidelines:

- When you arrive at the stadium you will have lunch and for the rest of the time you will have full use of the park, including the baseball field, bumper boats, and rock climbing wall. If you would like to play baseball you must bring your own glove.
- **Only seniors** who have **paid their dues** are permitted to attend, anyone else will not be allowed into the stadium.

*Any misconduct during the picnic could result in you not being able to participate in graduation.*

### Project Grad Information

- Everything at project grad is free, therefore **DO NOT BRING ANYTHING WITH YOU**. The only exception to the previous statement is if you plan to swim you must bring a swim suit and a towel and for bowling you will need socks.
- So far some of the activities at Project Grad will include; swimming, bowling, basketball, laser tag, obstacle course, mechanical bull and more. (Weight rooms will be closed)
- You must ride to bus to attend Project Grad. The last bus will depart at 10:30pm.
- **Guest Info:** Your guest, if you choose to bring one must be under 21, **no exceptions** and must have ID with them in order to board the bus
- **Forms:** Extra Forms are available in B47 and the Media Center. All Seniors are required to turn in a form, if you **DO NOT** plan on attending project grad please write **NO** on the bottom of the form.

**If you have any questions please see Mrs. Denham in B47 or Ms. Kole in the Media Center**

- **Schedule for the end of the year has changed (see attached schedule for exams, etc):**
  - Friday, May 22<sup>nd</sup> (mandatory day for Seniors) is the Senior Awards Assembly starting at 8 am. You may follow the procedures to check out of school after the assembly (bring a note from home). Dress in your Sunday best. Support your graduating classmates on this final assembly.
  - Tuesday, May 26<sup>th</sup> first mandatory practice 8 am -1 pm
  - Wednesday, May 27<sup>th</sup> second mandatory practice 8 am - 1 pm
  - Thursday, May 28<sup>th</sup> third mandatory practice 8 am - 1 pm
  - Friday, May 29<sup>th</sup> optional practice (based on Mrs. Heibel's decision whether prior practices went perfectly or whether Senior class needs to rehearse once more)

- You are permitted to ride the bus to GMHS for practices at 8 am but **MUST** find alternate transportation after practices to leave school grounds 5 mins after dismissal
- Seniors will report to GMHS at 4:30 on May 29<sup>th</sup> for Graduation
- **Roses are a great way to say, "Thanks, Mom!", "Thanks, Grandma!" or "Congratulations, Graduate!" Order them now at the school bank: 1/2 Dozen for \$15 or 1 Dozen for \$20.** Roses are \$15 for a half dozen (in yellow wrap) and \$20 for a dozen (in pink or green wrap). **At graduation, simply present your receipt at the "Rose Table" and pick up your fresh flowers. (Rose bouquets will also be sold at graduation, but supplies will be limited. Order now to reserve your bouquet! A portion of all proceeds supports the school newspaper.)**
- Students will have two options for Senior Panoramic this year, either Candid shot (everyone in normal school clothes) and the Cap and Gown shot (as you see around the school building).
- Dues and Debts must all be paid by Friday, May 15<sup>th</sup> Stop in to the bank during your lunch to find out IF you owe anything.
- Prices for photographs are inexpensive and you simply purchase what you want to...take advantage of this great offer. The company is also producing your DVD/Video (They work with University of Maryland and other major schools)
- If you are requesting Handicapped parking, please email Mrs. Schrader gmschrader@smcps.org with the following information: student name, car make/model/color and tag information.
- If you are requesting Handicapped seating (wheelchairs), please email with student name and guest name (who needs the seating for which senior)
- There are still students who have not claimed their announcement packages. Jostens will handle those unpaid through collections agencies
- Reminder too that there are so few left over tickets for graduation. Please ask classmates if you may have their unused tickets. Also it is TACKY to scalp tickets. This is an event to share, to remember. You will not remember making a buck from someone, but you will remember making someone else very happy!
- Any questions, concerns...please contact
  - Mrs. Schrader, Graduation Coordinator gmschrader@smcps.org
  - Mrs. Kole, Class Sponsor dmcole@smcps.org
  - Mrs. Denham, Class Sponsor sldenham@smcps.org
  - Mrs. Snyder, Bank Assistant lfsnyder@smcps.org
  - Mr. Carden, 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> grade Assistant Principal cwcarden@smcps.org
  - Mrs. Heibel, Principal tlheibel@smcps.org
  - Mrs. Smith, Career Center Director (awards and scholarships) rgsmith@smcps.org
  - Mrs. Stokes, A-Don Guidance Counselor jhstokes@smcps.org
  - Mrs. Bishop, Doo-Jor Guidance Counselor abbishop@smcps.org
  - Mrs. Cole, Jos-Ree Guidance Counselor jacole@smcps.org
  - Mrs, Ryan, Ref-Zz Guidance Counselor dkryan@smcps.org