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May 3, 2019

Dear Seniors and Parents,

As the end of the school year approaches and you look forward to celebrating your achievements, we are sure you are filled with questions regarding graduation. Please review the enclosed information in preparation for graduation.

Graduation is an important event in the lives of graduates and their families. It is our hope that each senior will participate in the Baccalaureate service and the graduation ceremony. Together they represent the culmination of one journey and the beginning of many new exciting experiences.

We would like to take this opportunity to wish each graduate much future success and the very best that life has to offer. We hope that you will look back on your years at Hoosic Valley with fond memories and maintain lifelong friendships. Congratulations! We look forward to celebrating with you on June 21st!

Sincerely,

Miriam Dobbs

7-12 Assistant Principal

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Thomas S. Martin

Hoosic Valley High School Graduation 2019

CAPS AND GOWNS

Monday, June 17th - Caps and gowns will be distributed in the main office during your senior breakfast. Please take these items home and prepare for graduation (i.e.: remove wrinkles from gown and put on hanger). If you are unable to secure your graduation attire at this time, please contact Mrs.Lewis in the Main Office. You will be required to sign for your own graduation attire when you receive it. You will be allowed to keep your cap & gown after the ceremony.

SENIOR DAY and GRADUATION PICTURE

Monday, June 17th

- 8:07 Students report to homeroom
- 8:15 10:30 Students Report to cafeteria
 - o Senior breakfast and yearbook signing
 - o Distribution of Caps & Gowns
- 10:30 Report to Gym with Caps & Gowns
 - Put on Caps & Gowns and line up for Graduation Picture
 - o Proper attire for males is required shirt & tie
 - Each student will receive a graduation picture compliments of their class at graduation on June 21st.
 - Line up for Senior Walk at Elementary School
 - o No special attire required under gown
- 11:30 Senior Walk through the Elementary School to celebrate our graduates
- 11:45 All students will board busses and travel to Chapko-Lewis park
- 12:00 2:00 Senior Picnic @ Chapko-Lewis park
- 2:00 All students will board busses and return to HVHS for dismissal.

BACCALAUREATE SERVICE (optional for students)

Tuesday, June 18th - The ceremony will begin promptly at 7:00 p.m.. Seniors are expected to arrive at the Hoosic Valley Community Church, Rt. 40, Schaghticoke by 6:30 p.m. with their cap and gown. Please have gown ironed. Regarding attire under the gowns, please see dress information on next page.

GRADUATION REHEARSAL

Thursday, June 20th @ 12:00 p.m. in the gymnasium at Hoosic Valley High School. THIS REHEARSAL IS MANDATORY FOR ALL GRADUATING SENIORS.

Please allow approximately two (2) hours for the rehearsal. All final details regarding the processional, rehearsal, seating and diplomas will be reviewed at this time.

GRADUATION

Broadway, Saratoga Springs, NY. Seniors are expected to be at the City Center ready for rehearsal by 4:15 p.m. The graduates will have this time to briefly practice the processional prior to guests entering the Main Hall. The doors to the Main Hall for seating will not be open to families and guests of the graduates until approximately 5:30 p.m., following the graduate's rehearsal. Due to the large capacity for graduation seating at the City Center, tickets are not required for seating.

<u>Dress Information</u> - Graduates will be required to wear appropriate clothes and shoes for the Baccalaureate Service and the Graduation Ceremony. Remember that the clothing worn under your gowns will be visible as the gowns are loose fitting. Male graduates - a dress shirt, tie, nice pants (khakis are fine or dress pants) and <u>dress shoes</u>. Female graduates - dress shoes with your appropriate attire. If you should have any difficulty securing these items, please see your advisors (Mrs. Lee or Mrs. Neary) or Mrs. Lewis as soon as possible. <u>If you attend graduation with inappropriate attire and/or shoes</u>, you may not be permitted to participate in the graduation ceremony. Please save your decorations for after graduation. <u>Seniors will not be permitted to wear: jeans</u>, shorts, sneakers, rubber flip-flops or t-shirts.

<u>Parking</u> - Free parking is available in the following locations: on Walton Street (two blocks west of Broadway) and between Church Street and Division Street (one block west of Broadway), and lots between High Rock and Maple. Elderly and disabled guests can be dropped off in front of the City Center on the Broadway side. Please allow yourself sufficient time to find a parking space. Saratoga Springs Parking Map is enclosed.

If you have any questions regarding any aspect of the ceremony, please speak with Mrs. Lewis, Mrs. Dobbs or Mr. Martin as soon as possible.

