

Athens High School Class of 2018

Graduation Bulletin

IMPORTANT DATES

5/12/18
Prom - Andiamo
Warren

5/29/18
Seniors Last Full Day

5/30/18
Hours 1, 2, 3 -
Seniors Only

5/30/18
Senior Picnic 11:00 am

5/31/18
Exams - Hours 4, 5, 6

6/1/18
Exams - Hours 1, 2, 3

6/5/18
Commencement Practice
Cap & Gown Distribution
9:00 am

6/5/18
Senior Honors
Convocation Practice
12:30 pm

6/6/18
Senior Honors
Convocation 7:00 pm

6/9/18
Commencement 11:00 am
Student Arrival 10:00 am
Oakland University
"O-Rena"

6/9/18
All Night Party
10:00 pm - 5:30 am

Senior Exit Survey

Please visit
<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/AHS18>
to complete this year's **SENIOR EXIT SURVEY**. Students must complete the survey to receive their cap and gown.

If they have not created an account with **PARCHMENT**, please have them do so. A final transcript will be sent to the college your student has chosen to attend. Their transcript cannot be sent without a PARCHMENT account.
www.parchment.com

Last Week for Seniors

The last full day of school for seniors will be Tuesday, May 29th.

There will be a half day for seniors **ONLY** on Wednesday, May 30th, hours 1-3. The Senior Picnic will begin at 11:00 am on this half-day at Jaycee Park. If you would like to help out at the picnic or contribute food, please contact Margaret Burchi mburchi@troy.k12.mi.us

Senior Exams will begin on Thursday, May 31st, hours 4, 5, and 6. Students do not attend hours 1, 2, 3 that morning. Hours 1, 2, 3 exams will be held Friday, June 1st.

Senior Failures

Counselors have asked teachers to notify them by Friday, May 18th if any senior is in danger of failing a class. Counselors then will check to see if the class is needed for graduation. You will then be notified the class is a graduation requirement. If you have any questions regarding your student's graduation status, please contact the appropriate counselor.

Senior Fines

Please have your student clear their fines as soon as possible. Any unresolved fines will result in your student not receiving a cap and gown or, ultimately, a diploma.

Also, please remind your student to return all athletic equipment, gym locks or any other school property at the end of the semester. Prior and proper disposition of all school property will make the graduation process much smoother.

Any returns or payment of fines should be directed to Mrs. Sparbeck in the Counseling Office. Please direct questions regarding fines to the issuing teacher. If your student has library fines, please contact Mrs. Vought in the Media Center svought@troy.k12.mi.us

Senior Speeches

Traditionally, two seniors speak at Honors Convocation (students must have a 4.0 GPA or above) and two speakers at Commencement (students must have a 3.0 or higher GPA). We hope to increase the number of students speaking at Commencement by offering introductory speeches.

To audition for these speeches, you must complete and submit a Commencement/Honors Speaking Form, which will be available March 14th in the AP Office. The form indicates that you meet the GPA requirement, reminds you that commencement speakers sit on stage, and asks you to indicate which speech (one or all three) you hope to give. This form is due April 16th, with a copy of your speech/speeches to Mr. Turner.

Auditions are April 24th at 2:30 p.m. in Room 133. A staff panel selects speakers.

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Graduation Rehearsal

The graduation process begins with a mandatory rehearsal for all those participating in the graduation ceremony at 9:00 am on Tuesday, June 5th in the Main Gym. Attendance is mandatory for those participating in the ceremonies. Therefore, seniors should not schedule work or other activities for that day.

Cap & Gown Distribution

Cap and gown distribution will begin after the rehearsal. Caps and gowns will be distributed to those students **only** who have no academic or financial obligations and if your student has completed the Senior Exit Survey. Seniors and their parents should check with Mrs. Sparbeck in the Counseling Office for fine obligations.

Honors Convocation Rehearsal

For those students participating in the Honors Convocation, rehearsal will begin at 12:30 pm in the gym/auditorium. Students will receive their honor cords during the rehearsal.

NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY. If your student is an NHS member and has met the service point requirement, then your student has the honor of wearing an NHS collar. Please have your student pick up their collar when they receive their cap and gown at the NHS table. Please bring \$3 dollars, exact change. The collars must be turned in at the end of the graduation ceremony. The cost covers cleaning charges.



Senior Honors Convocation

Our annual Senior Honors Convocation will be held on Wednesday, June 6th at 7:00 pm in the Athens Auditorium. This dignified ceremony, recognizing our outstanding seniors, is always the highlight of our end of the year activities. Seniors with a 3.0 and above career GPA will be honored. In addition, many scholarships and departmental awards will be presented that evening. You will receive an invitation about 3 weeks prior to the ceremony if your senior is being honored.

Seniors are in cap and gown for this ceremony along with proper attire under gowns.

“Oh, the places you’ll go!”

Honors and Commencement Attire

Everyone is encouraged to dress for the occasion for both the Honors Convocation and Commencement. Athens students have become known for the pride they show in themselves and their school. Let’s continue this demonstration of pride. Because the gowns become wrinkled when boxed for delivery, graduates are urged to iron and hang the gown prior to wearing it. Pins, flowers, etc. should not be worn on the gown.

Commencement is a very important, dignified ceremony. To insure the dignity of the occasion for everyone, any student who is improperly dressed or who is under the influence of alcohol or any illegal substance will be removed from the lineup prior to the ceremony.

Commencement

The AHS graduation ceremony will be held on **Saturday, June 9th at 11:00 am.** Graduation is held at Oakland University’s Athletic Center, O’rena. Maps will be distributed at graduation rehearsal. Tickets will be required to attend the ceremony. Each student will receive **6** tickets at graduation rehearsal. Seating will be on a first come - first serve basis at the O’Rena. If additional tickets are needed, students will have to ask other students for unused tickets or contact Mrs. Sutton at 248.823.2972.

All Night Party

Tickets for the All Night Party will be available to purchase until June 4th. Fill out the ticket order form (available through the AHS Newsletter on the website) and return to the Main Office with your check. They will also be sold after Commencement Rehearsal on June 5th. The cost is \$70. (\$85 at the door - cash only). This incredible, fun-filled evening is held on graduation night - June 9th.

If you have any questions about any information in this bulletin, please contact Mr. Bill Turner, Assistant Principal, 248.823.2932 wturner@troy.k12.mi.us

