



CAMAS HIGH SCHOOL

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Dear Senior Parents and Seniors,

It is hard to believe that it was 13 years ago our seniors started their public education with the first day of kindergarten. Now as Graduation Day rapidly approaches, a major phase in your lives (both students and parents) is about to come to an end. This is an exciting and busy time for all of us. As we approach Graduation Day on June 10th, there are many key events and activities which will be taking place. Please mark the following important dates on your calendar.

KEY EVENT DATES:

- April 27** **Senior Project**—should be completed by this date
- April 27 & 28** **Graduation Orders Delivered**—announcement orders delivered to CHS (be sure you have paid in full by then) Jostens will have orders available for pickup during both lunches.
- May 4 & 5** **Senior Event Auditions-2:30-4:30PM in Choir Rm**-If you are interested in performing at this year's Senior Events: Senior & Mom Tea, Senior & Dad Breakfast, or Graduation, you will need to audition. Auditions will be held after school on May 4th & May 5th. Sign up for an audition in Mrs. Anderson's office asap.
- May 11** **Senior Project Portfolio Due** – The portfolio is the final component of the senior project before presentations.
- May 19** **Graduation Ticket Survey: There will be a survey of each graduate & parents regarding the number of tickets the family would like to meet their needs. This survey will be given to your graduate in his/her English class on 5/15/17** (if your student does not take English 12 at CHS, the survey will be available on the CHS website). **Please return the survey no later than 5/19/17.** Each graduate will receive six (6) tickets which allow the holder early entry into the stadium between 5:30-6:30 PM. After 6:30 PM, the gates will open for general admission.
- June 2** college, and career success in North Commons at 7:00 PM
Senior & Mother Tea: Seniors attend with your mom (or one adult of your choice)
- 8:00a.m. – 8:30 a.m. Sr./Mother pictures in Theater
Dorian's Photography will give each grad 1 free picture. Order packets are available.
 - 8:00 a.m. -10:30 a.m. Sr./Mother Tea in Main Gym ~ Continental Breakfast will be served.
 - 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. – Sr./Mother pictures in Theater
(Mothers & Daughters – Mothers & Sons) Please wear nice clothes
- June 1** **Important! Running Start Seniors: PLEASE READ:**
Running Start seniors need to make sure all of their credits meet the CHS graduation requirements and that they have fulfilled all requirements for the senior project including coursework and approved community service hours as listed in the Running Start Handbook. Only Clark College courses specifically listed in the CHS Running Start Handbook will meet the requirements for Junior English, Senior English, U.S. History, Current World Issues, Washington State History, Art, PE, and Health. **Students who are enrolled in courses at Clark College during spring term that meet graduation requirements will need to complete an Academic Status form.** On this form, students will need to have the Clark College teachers of these courses sign off stating that the student is passing so that they may participate in the CHS graduation ceremony. This form can be picked up in the student's counselor's office after 6/8/17. **The completed form must be submitted to the counselor, no later than 9 a.m. on June 14th. If the form is not submitted on time then the student will not be able to walk at graduation.** CHS counselors are available to meet with students and parents who have concerns about graduation status. Additional copies of the Running Start Handbook are available in the counselors' offices or online at: <http://www.camas.wednet.edu/chs/> under the "Programs" tab. **Running Start students will NOT receive their diplomas until final grades are received by CHS from Clark College in late-June.**
- June 6, 7, 8 or 10** **Senior Project Boards**": 7:45 a.m. – 9:45 a.m. Presentation date and times will be assigned at a later date. Regular classes begin at 10:15 a.m.
- June 9** **Senior Assembly**—at 9 AM
- June 12** **Senior Boards - Safety Net:** for those who need to repeat the Board presentation
- June 12** **Yearbook Signing Party:** 2:10 p.m. in CHS Main Commons, yearbooks will be distributed to those who have purchased one.
- June 12** **Senior Locker Check Out:** Seniors will clean out their lockers and return books during their English 12 class. Seniors will be fined for unreturned school property and if their locker is left dirty or damaged.
- June 13** **Senior Finals:** Periods 4, 5, 6
- June 14** **Senior Finals:** Periods 1, 2, 3
- June 14** **Senior Picnic:** 10:45 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. at CHS Cardon Field
- June 14** **Baccalaureate:** 7 p.m. Grace Foursquare Church. This religious service is optional and is not a CSD sponsored event.
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- June 15** **Distribution of Graduation Tickets:** begins on June 9th. No Hold Status: Students who have no fines, have passed their Senior Board, and have C's or better in all required classes will be placed on 'No Hold' status. These students may pick up their tickets at the ASB Office starting June 9th. Hold Status: Students who have fines, have not passed their Senior Board, and/or who have grades of 'C-' or lower in any required class and/or have not returned books or other school property will be placed on 'Hold' status. These students will need to pick up a 'ticket release' form in their counselor's office. These forms will be available on June 9th. The student will need to get signatures from all of the teachers, offices, etc. on their form indicating that the reason for the hold has been resolved. When the form is completed then the student will return it to their counselor for the final release. Hold status tickets can then be picked up. Note: Fines must be paid in full for tickets to be released
- June 15** **Senior/Dad Breakfast:** 8:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. in main gym (Dads & Daughters – Dads & Sons).
- June 15** **Commencement Practice –** 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Practice is in the CHS Gym and is **MANDATORY** – so NO PRACTICE/NO WALK. Gowns will be distributed.
- June 15** **Final Transcripts:** Transcripts can be ordered online through the Parchment system. To access the Parchment Transcript ordering system: 1) Go to the Camas SD website, 2) In the right-hand corner in the blue box that says "How Do I?" click on "Get my transcript", and 3) Follow the prompts to sign up for a Parchment account and place your order. Detailed information on accessing Parchment Transcript Order System will be sent in a separate message.
- June 16** **Commencement Practice:** 8:50 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Practice is at **Doc Harris Stadium** and is MANDATORY – again, NO PRACTICE/NO WALK.
- June 16** **All graduates will meet @ CHS to load buses at 5:00p.m. SHARP** for transportation to Doc Harris Stadium. All graduates will be given their cap, tassel, and medallion just prior to loading the bus for Doc Harris Stadium. Students are not allowed to bring any personal belongings with them on the bus. This includes purses, backpacks, or bags, etc. If your student is going to the Grad Night party and wants a change of clothes, you'll need to bring the change of clothing to give them after the ceremony.
- June 16** **Commencement:** 7:00 p.m. at Doc Harris Stadium – located at: 1125 NE 22nd Ave., Camas WA 98607
The gates will open at 5:30 p.m. for guests with tickets and at 6:15 p.m. for guests without tickets. Entry into the stadium will be through the gate located next to the main ticket booth. If you want personalized photos of your graduate in cap & gown, you **MUST** do this before the graduation ceremony.
- June 29** **Final Transcripts:** Final grades will be on students' transcripts. Seniors who have preordered final transcripts through the online Parchment Transcript Ordering System will have their transcripts sent out as per their order. .

Grad Night Party - Again this year, parents are planning an all-night drug and alcohol free party for seniors. The graduates will be able to change their clothes at the stadium and then board buses for this tremendous event. The cost is: \$55.00 from September – January 22, \$65 from January 23 through May 15, and \$75 after May 15. Please register as early as possible. For more information you may contact Amy Fogle at jafogle@comcast.net or 360-909-8207 or follow the link on the CHS website under 'Parents' for the registration form.

2017 Senior Future Plans – Seniors please share with us your **post high school future plans!** Follow the link below and login with your CSD117.org Google account to complete the related form. <https://goo.gl/forms/b95BopWMoAeJP5CC3>

2017 Senior Scholarships and Awards – Seniors please share with us any **scholarships** and or **awards** you've received this year so you student can be rightfully recognized. Follow the link below and login with your CSD117.org Google account to complete the related form. <https://goo.gl/forms/ZHv4rWMWYuCdkjMP2>

FINES - Please make sure all unpaid fines have been cleared up before Graduation Day. If you owe money for items such as lost textbooks, athletic equipment, library books, etc., transcripts and diploma will be withheld until the fines have been paid. Also, graduation tickets will not be distributed until all fines are paid.

A "Class" Event - Every year the staff and students of Camas High School work extremely hard to make commencement a special event. CHS has the reputation for a formal graduation ceremony that is a "class" event. Please help us continue this fine tradition through proper attire and behavior during the ceremony.

As Graduation Day approaches, we encourage our seniors to remain focused on school and the ultimate goal of graduation. Graduation Day is a celebration of all the hard work and dedication you have put into your education over the last 13 years. We look forward to sharing in this wonderful event with you on June 16th. If you have any questions regarding graduation, please contact our office at 833-5750

Sincerely,

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