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GRADUATION CEREMONY INFORMATION

The graduation ceremony will be held at Reed Arena at Texas A&M University at 9:00 a.m. on Saturday, May 27, 2017.

- A. REPORTING TIME FOR THE GRADUATION CEREMONY: All participants must be at Reed Arena in the Multipurpose Meeting Room by 8:00 A.M. on Saturday, May 27, 2017. The Multipurpose Meeting Room is on the lower level, inside the front door, facing the TAMU campus. Roll call for graduates will begin promptly at 8:15 a.m. Please remember to allow time for crowded parking and traffic conditions. You may park in any of the designated areas listed on the TAMU Transportation website. This year TAMU Transportation will be charging a \$5.00 parking fee for all yehicles. For all parking pass information, please go to the website transport.tamu.edu for a parking map and information on how to purchase prepaid parking passes in advance. Each BHS graduate will receive ONE parking pass purchased by Travis B. Bryan High School. Each graduate will receive their parking pass at the Mandatory Graduation Practice on Thursday, May 25th at 8:15 a.m. in Gym #2. No extra parking passes will be given to graduates if it is misplaced, lost or stolen. Students who will be graduating in the Top 10% of their class will receive their silver honor stoles at the end of graduation practice.
- B. <u>CAPS, GOWNS, AND DIPLOMAS:</u> Caps and gowns have been issued. Check your package to make sure that you have a tassel and the correct size gown. Gowns should be pressed with a cool iron and lung overnight. <u>No decorations of any kind will be allowed on graduation caps or gowns. The tassel should be worn on the left side of the cap. If you have any additional needs with these items, a Balfour Company representative will be in the assembly area at 8:00 a.m. on Saturday, May 27, 2016 to assist you.</u>
- C. <u>CLOTHING</u>: A graduation ceremony is dignified and meaningful for each student; therefore, we ask that the attire worn by each student adhere to the rules of good taste by being conservative and in accordance with the Bryan ISD Dress Code. Consider the following:
 - Young men should wear dark slacks, a collared shirt, a tie (mandatory), dark shoes (no tennis shoes of any kind will be permitted), and socks. The gowns for men are designed to be worn with a collared shirt and tie. All gentlemen must be well-groomed and in compliance with the dress code. Do not wear flip-flops, shorts, caps, tennis shoes, or any head covering other than the graduation cap.
 - 2. Young ladies should wear a knee length skirt or dress under the gown. Young ladies should only wear dark/neutral shoes. Examples of appropriate shoe colors include: black, navy, tan, brown, or nude. Do not wear flip-flops, house shoes, or any other non-approved color shoes, no jewelry items are to be worn on your gown. Please remember, if you are going to wear high heels, be sure that they are an appropriate height. You will be walking up stairs, down stairs, and across the stage.
- D. FINAL REMINDERS: You are expected to follow these instructions for dress and conduct, or you will forfeit your privilege of participation in the graduation ceremony. All graduates will be checked for compliance with the above clothing requirements at roll call. Dignified, respectful conduct during the entire graduation ceremony is desired and expected. Please remember that you must have all records clear before graduation. All records must be clear by 3:00 p.m. on Thursday, May 25, 2017. All transcripts will be held until records are clear and all issued textbooks have been turned in to Mr. Alfred Scott.

Note: Students who are out of compliance with these guidelines, or who are in possession of noise makers, beach balls, under the influence of a banned substance, or who participate in any disorderly floor or stage conduct, will be pulled from the graduation lineup and will not participate in the remainder of the ceremony nor receive their diploma. Students pulled from the graduation ceremony will need to contact Mr. Buban's office to schedule an appointment to meet with him along with their parent(s) and/or guardian(s), the following week. Their diploma will be held until this meeting is conducted.

E. FINAL HIGH SCHOOL TRANSCRIPT: You must sign up for your final transcript if you are planning to attend a college, university or trade school. Transcript request forms are available in the Registrar's Office. The first copy is free, and additional copies are \$2.00 each. Deadline is May 25, 2017. The Registrar's Office will mail transcripts by June 30, 2017. Campus summer hours begin June 5, 2017 and end the week of July 24, 2017. Bryan High School will be open from 7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Thursday only.

CALENDAR REMINDERS:

Thursday, May 25

Mandatory Graduation Practice (for all graduates) will be conducted during school day at 8:15 a.m. in Gym #2. If you are not able to attend graduation practice, you must set up a meeting with Mr. Ruban to be excused.

Saturday, May 27

Project Graduation 2017, Texas A&M University Recreation Center Sponsored by BHS 2017 Project Graduation Parents. Time is at 10:30 PM - 5:30 AM. (Doors will be closed at 12:00 AM) Seniors have been instructed to remain until 5:30 AM once they enter the Texas A&M Recreation Center. Graduates must be present to win prizes. If graduates leave the Recreation Center, they will not be permitted back in.