



Chardon High School



Chardon High School Senior Handbook 2021

Dear Parents/Guardians of the Class of 2021,

Congratulations to the Class of 2021. In a few short months your son/daughter will be an Alumni of Chardon High School. Staff members are diligently preparing for the 148th Commencement Exercise on May 29, 2021.

In an effort to communicate the responsibilities of this solemn event, we have enclosed the necessary information for every graduating senior and their families in this booklet.

The graduation booklet contains all instructions, deadlines and expectations that our students must follow in order to meet the requirements of graduation. It is essential that the senior class maintain the level of maturity and responsibility they have shown this past school year.

Please review this information with your child and help us emphasize the importance of setting a positive legacy for the Class of 2021. The last fourteen months have been quite trying on all of us. Please know how much we appreciate your flexibility, and patience as we plan and create meaningful experiences for your children.

With gratitude,

Douglas P. Murray
Principal



Important Dates – 2021

May 1-14	Prom Ticket Sales (Online Only) Cost: \$65 per person	
May 1-14	<p>After Prom Ticket Sales (Online Only) \$5 per person for CHS Sr. & their prom date.</p> <p><u>After Prom only attendees</u> \$5 for CHS Sr./Prom date</p>	<p>On sale beginning 5/1</p> <p>Responsible ReStart Prom Plan</p> <p>Responsible Restart After Prom Plan</p>
May 3-25	Advanced Placement Exams	
May 12	Spring Choir Concert – CHS Gym	7:30 pm
May 13	Senior Prom Assembly (Livestream/Recorded)	10:40 am
May 15	Senior Prom - La Vera Party Center (Senior student and guest only)	6:00 pm -11:00 pm
May 15-16	After-Prom (CHS) no admittance after 12:30 am	11:30 pm – 2:30 am
May 19	<p>Senior Finals</p> <p>2nd - 8:58-10:33</p> <p>4th - 10:37-12:46 (follow your 4th period class schedule)</p> <p>6th - 12:50-2:25</p>	
May 20	<p>Senior Finals</p> <p>1st - 7:20-8:55</p> <p>3rd - 8:58-10:33</p> <p>5th - 10:37-12:46 (follow your 5th period class schedule)</p> <p>7th - 12:50-2:25</p>	
May 20	Senior Chromebook Collection	TBD
May 20	Senior Awards Night (CHS) (2) guests per recipient	6:30 pm
May 21	<p>Senior Final Make ups</p> <p>Last Day for Seniors</p> <p>Senior Chromebook Collection</p>	<p>7:20-2:25 During class period</p> <p>TBD</p>
May 27	Baccalaureate (Chardon Methodist Church)	7:00 pm
May 28	<p><u>Graduation Rehearsal *</u> (Chardon Memorial Field) - Ticket Distribution - 8 tickets to each graduate. (All debts must be cleared before receiving tickets)</p>	10:00 am

	<u>*Seniors who do not participate in rehearsal will not participate in the graduation ceremony.</u>	
May 28	Class Picnic–Munson Township Park	12:30 – 3:00 pm
May 29	Graduation - (Chardon Memorial Field) Saturday	7:30 pm
May 30	Graduation Rain Date (Chardon Memorial Field) Sunday	1:00 pm
May 31	Memorial Day - No School	

Senior Guidelines

Because we expect proper behavior from our students at all times, seniors should remember that they are subject to the same rules and regulations as any other students while they are present on school property or participating in any school sponsored activity. It is important for seniors to understand that in order to discourage practical jokes of any kind; typical senior pranks will result in disciplinary intervention from the administration. Should this occur it would mean that the individual(s) involved may not be eligible to participate in graduation exercises. After 13 years of hard work (K-12), this would be a very grave consequence for the student, the parents and the school. Our goal and objective is to see each senior walk across our stage at commencement and receive his/her high school diploma with dignity and pride.

Graduation Rehearsal

Because commencement exercises are conducted in a formal, ceremonial fashion, it is mandatory that all seniors be in attendance for rehearsal. ***Seniors who do not attend rehearsal will not be permitted to participate in the graduation ceremony.** Rehearsal is scheduled on **Friday, May 28, 2021**, at Chardon Memorial Field beginning at 10:00 am.

Because there is so much organizing to be done to make the ceremony a positive experience, we need to have the cooperation of all students involved.

Any recognized class activity will be planned, supervised and chaperoned by school staff. If questions arise regarding any activity, please do not hesitate to call Chardon High School.

Class Picnic

A senior class picnic will be held. **(students must find their own transportation to and from the picnic.)** More information on the back page.

NOTE:

Seniors are reminded that it is necessary to pass the last nine weeks and/or the final exam plus have a passing average in a course to receive credit. Failure to meet these requirements in courses required for graduation will result in being ineligible for a diploma in May. Students will not be permitted to participate in the graduation ceremony. Further clarification is found on page 109 of the Student Handbook.

Graduation Exercises - NEW INFORMATION

Graduation exercises will be held at Chardon Memorial Field on **Saturday May 29, at 7:30 p.m.** Each **graduating senior** will receive **eight tickets to be issued at commencement practice on Friday, May 28, 2021.** It will be up to you or your senior to reach out to other students/parents if you are in need of extra tickets beyond the original eight tickets. [Please refer to the Responsible ReStart Plan for the safety guidance.](#)

Announcements

It is customary to send announcements of your graduation to relatives and friends. Since the announcement contains no name, you will need to enclose a name card. Announcements should be mailed to reach their destination approximately two weeks prior to graduation.

The outer envelope should show the formal name (Mr. and Mrs._____) and the inner envelope should show the informal name (Aunt Mary and Uncle John).

Delinquent Obligations

Because all students are expected to meet their responsibilities and obligations as members of our school, seniors are reminded that all deficiencies and/or delinquent obligations (i.e. required credits, class work, fees, library fines, activity fees, textbooks, detentions, suspensions, etc.) are to be taken care of **prior to the commencement practice.** Students will not be permitted to participate in commencement unless all obligations have been met.

Transcripts/Scholarships

All seniors can now start to fill out a Final Transcript Request form via Naviance. **Your final transcript will not be sent in June if you have not requested it via Naviance.**

The Audience

In order for any graduation program to be completely successful, the audience too must play a particular role in the proceedings

Dignity and decorum are the order of the day.

Disruptive or any other such loud behavior is considered inappropriate at a commencement ceremony.

**No clapping, whistling, shouting, or noise, etc.
(at inappropriate times)**

Please do your part to set a good example for our children.

As a courtesy to our graduates, parents, and guests, we ask parents of young children to make some arrangements for leaving these little ones at home.

Kids will be Kids

But...it is important for seniors to remember that, although they are finished with the course work at Chardon High School, they are still members of the student body and, as such, must comply with all school rules and regulations. Failure to do so could result in disciplinary action, which would require suspension from the formal graduation exercises.

It is important to remember that commencement ceremonies are not only for the honored graduates, but also for mothers, fathers, grandparents, aunts, uncles, and others who attend and regard this ceremony as a serious and dignified occasion. Caps thrown into the air, unnecessary clapping, whistling, or any disruptive behavior only take away from the dignity they expect. If for no other reason, consider...your Senior Awards Program and Commencement are two of the most important memories you will have. Please make them events of which you, your parents and your school will be extremely proud.

Guidelines for Proper Attire

- take pride in your appearance -

Because, in a formal ceremony, all participants are dressed in some type of specific regalia or uniform, proper attire is to be worn by all potential graduates during any of the graduation exercises. To be dressed properly, please note the following:

- Caps are always worn flat on top of the head, with the point of the cap centered in the middle of the forehead. Caps are never worn at the back of the head.
- Tassels are worn on the right side of the cap until such time as commencement honors are bestowed upon the graduates.
- Gowns should be approximately 10" from the floor (please hem if necessary).
- Gowns should be pressed before being worn to any of the graduation exercises.
- Students who end the school year in good standing may wear Honor Cords (from approved Chardon High School leadership, academic, and theatrical activities) displayed appropriately over their gowns.

After graduation ceremonies, caps and gowns are yours to keep as a memento of the occasion. Any student not participating in graduation ceremonies will receive a refund of cap and gown payment.

That attire shall be as follows:

Girls: Red cap and gown with one tassel.

Appropriate dress, suit, or skirt and blouse underneath.

Appropriate dress shoes. Remember, we are on turf. (No tennis shoes or flip flops)

Boys: Black cap and gown with one tassel.

Appropriate dress shirt with tie.

Appropriate dress slacks (No jeans of any type).

Appropriate dress shoes. (No tennis shoes or flip flops).

Students not dressed in proper attire will not be permitted to participate in the formal graduation ceremony on commencement day.

NOTE: Students will be permitted to wear only one tassel with their cap and gown during the formal ceremony. No flowers, signs, jewelry or other additions are permitted on cap and gown.

Pictures

As a courtesy to the graduates and special guests, we will ask members of the audience to take pictures from their seats only.

Baccalaureate

Baccalaureate services are by definition religious in nature. Designed by graduates, this ceremony is a non-denominational religious service at a local Chardon church. This voluntary activity will be held **Thursday, May 27, 2021**, at 7:00 p.m. at the Chardon United Methodist Church, 515 North Street, Chardon, Ohio.

Senior Awards Night

Senior Awards Night will be held at Chardon High School in the Gym on **Thursday, May 20, 2021 at 6:30 p.m. (2) guests per recipient**. As your high school career is rapidly coming to a close, many of you will begin to receive scholarships and other financial aid awards from the college you plan to attend, as well as local groups and organizations.

Should you receive such an award and would like to be recognized at the awards program, please bring a copy of the award notification to the Guidance Office as soon as possible (but no later than **Thursday, May 13**).

This activity traditionally includes announcement of honorarians, valedictorians and salutatorian, award presentations, and scholarship announcements. All seniors are invited and encouraged to attend to show support for their honored classmates.

G-TV - Chardon Graduation Video DVD

G-TV will tape your commencement ceremony. If you would like to purchase a DVD of the ceremony an order form is available in the main office or [here](#).

Cat's Meow School Building – Graduation Gift Idea

In the spirit of the proud history and traditions of the Chardon School District and the Chardon community the Chardon High School After Prom Committee is selling "The Cat's Meow" wooden keepsakes of the Chardon School buildings and buses. The buildings are approximately 4x6x3/4" (the bus is slightly smaller). Each keepsake includes a 40 word description on the back. Pictures of each building are currently on the school district website and under the Building Pictures link on the first page of the Cat's Meow section of the After Prom website (linked off the district website).

These wooden replicas are great for anyone that loves our Chardon Schools. These are also great for reunions, alumni gatherings, graduation or any collectors of "The Cat's Meow" series. Individual school buildings are \$16 each, and the

Chardon bus is \$10. The order form is under the Reference section of the After Prom website. All you need to do is print it, fill in your order and return to your child's school. Or, you can purchase buildings at Geauga Music, Sheauga Gallery and Richards Maple. They make great mementos for parents, students and staff alike!

Graduation Day Photos - 2021

Pastor Photography will be at your graduation to take a picture of you as you receive your diploma.

Orders can be placed online at www.pastorphoto.com.

Shipping is FREE with online ordering (US Postal Service) – use coupon code GRAD2021. Orders may be placed at www.pastorphoto.com.

*****Proofs will be available for online viewing/ordering **
on or before June 2, 2021.***

Pkg. A:	2 - 8 x 10 Portraits	\$75.00
	2 - 5 x 7 Portraits	
	16 - Wallets	

Pkg B:	4 – 5 x 7 Portraits	\$67.00
	24 – Wallets	

Pkg C:	2 - 5 x 7 Portraits	\$40.00
	8 - Wallets	

	1 – 11 x 14 Portrait	\$49.00
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	1 – 8 x 10 Portrait	\$24.00
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	1 - 5 x 7 Portrait	\$16.00
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	4 – 4 x 6 Portraits	\$24.00
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	8 - Wallets	\$24.00
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For online orders, please allow 2 weeks for delivery after order is placed.

If you have any questions regarding this service, please contact Pastor Photography at (440) 729-0995 or email info@pastorphoto.com.

Senior Picnic- Woo-Hoo! They made it!!!!

IT'S TIME FOR A PARTY PEOPLE!!!! The graduating class of 2021 will have a Senior Picnic at Munson Township Park on Friday, May 28 from 12:30-3:00. There will be a D.J., volleyball, basketball, tennis, cornhole games, prizes, food and more. **IT'S GOING TO BE AWESOME!!!!**

Students are encouraged to bring volleyballs, basketballs, and other sports equipment.

All we need for this to be a perfect day for the seniors is good weather and **AMAZING PARENT VOLUNTEERS** to help with this event!!! Even if you cannot be there, any food or donations you can make will be wonderful. Donations such as restaurant certificates, free haircuts, movie passes, gas cards, goodies for college, and other prizes are appreciated. Your help will make this final send off before graduation day so special and fun!

Feel free to fill out this form below or follow the link below to the **SIGN-UP GENIUS!**

I can volunteer the day of the picnic! Can't wait!!!! My info is below...

Name: _____ Phone _____ Email _____

I am willing to donate:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Pizza | <input type="checkbox"/> 12 pack pop/lemonade/tea/fruit punch |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hotdogs | <input type="checkbox"/> hot dog buns |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Frozen Hamburger patties | <input type="checkbox"/> hamburger buns |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Individual bags of chips, munchies | <input type="checkbox"/> napkins |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Potato/Pasta Salad | <input type="checkbox"/> plates |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 2 dozen cookies/brownies/bar cookies | <input type="checkbox"/> plastic forks |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Veggies/dip | <input type="checkbox"/> drawing prize |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Prepared fruit | <input type="checkbox"/> money donation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> cooler | <input type="checkbox"/> garbage bags |
| <input type="checkbox"/> table cover roll | <input type="checkbox"/> bottled water |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Condiments (ketchup, mustard,
relish, sliced tomato, onion, cheese) | <input type="checkbox"/> pop up tents |

Name: _____ Phone: _____ Email: _____

[HERE IS THE SIGN-UP GENIUS LINK](#)

Please return this form to Mrs. Stacy Tekavec, Senior Advisor by May 1st. Send to school with your Senior, or by mail:
151 Chardon Ave., Chardon, OH 44024.

Chairpersons: Julie Fetchik – Food

Kristen McDevitt- Prizes

Grill Master- Rick Mysyk

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