June 2019

Dear Parents / Guardians,

As you are aware, the high school Class of 2019 is scheduled to graduate on Friday, June 28, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. As you already know from a prior correspondence, each of our graduates will receive five (5) tickets for their guests to attend the ceremony.

Graduation tickets needed for admission to the ceremony will be distributed at the conclusion of our mandatory graduation rehearsal, which is scheduled for Wednesday, June 26, 2019. We will be having a bagel breakfast beginning at 9:00 a.m. in the cafeteria for our graduating seniors. Graduation rehearsal will begin at 10:00 a.m. in the gymnasium. Attendance at the graduation rehearsal is mandatory for all graduation candidates. Students must report to the Gymnasium for this rehearsal. Each student will be responsible for their graduation apparel and tickets, therefore we ask they keep the items in a secure area. On the day of graduation each senior must arrive at the north entrance of the school by 6:00 p.m. Graduation candidates will assemble in the Auditorium prior to the graduation ceremony.

Caps and gowns will be worn for graduation. As this is a formal ceremony that marks the end of a successful culmination of thirteen years of education, appropriate dress is required. Our male graduates must wear slacks, a collared shirt and tie (no jacket), shoes and socks. Our female graduates should wear two piece outfit or dresses. Flats, not shoes with heels, are recommended for the ceremony. Sneakers, “flip flops”, “tee” shirts or shorts are not permitted. Anyone not properly attired on Friday evening will be sent home to change or not be permitted to participate in the ceremony.

Guests with tickets will be admitted through the main entrance at the front of the school. Our Graduation ceremony is a formal event. Therefore proper behavior is expected of all in attendance. As such, please do not bring noise makers, or exhibit distracting behavior during the ceremony. Guests are not permitted in the aisle during the ceremony.

A professional photographer will take a picture of each graduate, at no cost, as the diploma cover is presented. A group photo of the entire graduation class will be taken at 6:10 p.m. and will be available for purchase through Jo-Art Photography at www.JOARTPHOTO.COM.

At the conclusion of the ceremony, students will need to return their gowns in the Cafeteria and then they will receive their official diploma. Light refreshments will be served in the courtyard courtesy of the ESM PTSO Connection.

This school year we will have a live feed of the ceremony broadcasted in our cafeteria and streaming live on the internet. The live video stream will afford family members who are unable to attend the ceremony with the opportunity to view the graduation live from anywhere in the world over the internet. On the evening of graduation, there will be a link to the live streaming video posted on the District website called “ESM 2019 Graduation Ceremony”. You will only need to click the link in order to access the live streaming video. Directions to access the live streaming will also be posted on the District website. The ceremony will also be recorded and posted on the District website for viewers to see after the graduation ceremony. If there are any family members who are unable to attend the event, please notify them about the opportunity to watch the graduation ceremony from their homes.

If you have any questions about graduation, please call the main office at 801-3253.

Sincerely,

Sal Alaimo
Principal