

GLENELG HIGH SCHOOL

“HOME OF THE GLADIATORS”



CLASS OF 2018

SENIOR ACTIVITIES AND COMMENCEMENT INSTRUCTIONS

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Frequently Asked Questions about Graduation

It is imperative that you be prompt for ALL rehearsals and that you cooperate fully in all that is asked of you so that these culminating events will be very special for you and your family.

Do I have to go to the rehearsals? What if I'm on release time?

You are required to attend all rehearsals if you wish to participate in the graduation ceremony. If you are on release time, site-based, or are in mentorship, you will be required to remain at school ALL DAY on Monday May 21st, Tuesday, May 22nd & Wednesday, May 23rd, 2018. You should be on time and stay for the full rehearsal. If a student is unexpectedly absent on the day of a scheduled graduation practice or required senior activity, the student's parent or guardian must call the main office (410.313.5528) by 8:00 a.m. to explain the reason for the emergency absence.

When is the Awards Ceremony and do I have to attend?

The Senior Awards Ceremony will be held on Thursday, May 24th, 2018 from 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. All seniors will attend and parents are invited to attend. Caps and gowns must be worn at the awards ceremony.

What should I wear to the Awards Ceremony and Graduation?

Gentlemen should wear dark, full-length dress pants, dark shoes and dark socks. All shirts are to be button down dress shirts, buttoned at the neck with ties and collars inside of your gown. Ladies should wear black low-heeled or flat shoes. No tennis shoes, flip-flops, sneakers, boots, sandals or any other casual footwear are permitted at any of the ceremonies. Wear your cap straight on your head with the deep part in the back and the tassels over the left temple.

When will I get my Cap and Gown? And what do I do with it?

Seniors will receive their caps and gowns on Tuesday, May 22nd, 2018 at graduation rehearsals. Gowns should be hung on a hanger to reduce wrinkles.

Do I have to take my finals to graduate?

All seniors must take a final examination in each class in order to earn a credit for the course. In addition, if you are in an assessed course, you must pass the HSA in order to graduate.

How late can I turn in my make-up work or complete missed exams?

All make-up work and/or missed exams must be completed by the end of the day on Thursday, May 24th, 2018.

What should I do about debts?

Your teacher will notify you of any outstanding debts. These must be cleared no later than Tuesday, May 22nd, 2018. See Ms. Simpson in the front office if you have any questions about student debts. **Don't wait until the last minute to clear your debt.**

Do I have to participate in Graduation?

Participation in graduation is optional. If you choose not to participate in the Graduation Ceremony, a written request from your parent or guardian must be received prior to Friday, May 4th, 2018. Please see that the letter is addressed to Mr. Burton.

How many tickets do I get?

All graduating members of the Class of 2018 will automatically receive ten (10) tickets. An additional six (6) tickets may be requested. This request should be submitted to Mrs. Barnoski, Teacher's Secretary, no later than Friday, May 11th, 2018. *Students are required to clear all obligations, including parking permits, to get their tickets at the final rehearsal on Wednesday, May 23rd, 2018. (Ticket request form included in senior information packet)*

Can my parents take pictures at Graduation?

Yes! Your parents and guests are welcome to take pictures from their seats. However, we ask that they not go into the aisles or in front of the stage. There will be a professional photographer who will take your picture as you receive your diploma. The proofs will be sent to you by U.S. Mail. There is no obligation to buy. There will also be a video available for purchase.

Where do we get our diplomas and report cards?

You will be handed the diploma cover only while on stage. You will collect the actual diploma and your final report card near the rear exit of Merriweather Post Pavilion, once the graduation ceremony has commenced.

Is there special parking for the disabled or elderly?

Yes, Merriweather has handicapped parking by the pavilion. There will be parking attendants throughout Merriweather to direct you. In order to park in the handicapped area, the vehicle must contain the DMV issued placard or license plate. If you do not have a DMV issued handicap parking tag, there will be a drop off point for those who are unable to walk from the designated parking lot. *Handicapped seating is available for guests who are in wheelchairs.*

Can I request a Sign Language Interpreter?

If you or a family member is in need of a sign language interpreter, please contact Mrs. Wagoner by May 4th, 2018. Reserved seating is available for guests who request a sign language interpreter.

What if my question wasn't answered here?

Please see Mr. Ian Foran or Mrs. Wagoner if you have any additional questions.

Reminder: All Howard County System Policies and school rules will remain in effect throughout all senior activities.

CLASS OF 2018 CALENDAR & SENIOR ACTIVITIES

Saturday, April 28th	8:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m.	Prom Renaissance Harborplace Hotel, Baltimore, MD
	11:30 p.m. – 3:00 a.m.	After Prom Party Glenwood Community Center, Glenelg, MD
Wednesday, May 9th	6:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.	Class Night Turf Valley, Ellicott City, MD
Monday, May 21st “B” Day	Period 1 & 2 Period 3 Periods 4B, 5 & 6	Rehearsal (Auditorium) Class EXAMS
Tuesday, May 22nd “A” Day	Periods 1 & 2 Periods 3 & 4A Periods 5 & 6	Class EXAMS Rehearsal
Wednesday, May 23rd “B” Day	Periods 1 & 2 Period 3 Periods 4B, 5 & 6	EXAMS Rehearsal Rehearsal, Exams Make-Ups, Lunch, Officer Willingham’s “Play It Safe” Presentation Class Picture (Stadium - Wear Caps & Gowns)

Tickets will be given out at rehearsal on 5/23/18 once all obligations have been cleared. All debts must be paid in full and parking permits turned in before students receive graduation tickets. Debts should be paid directly to Mrs. Simpson.

Monday, May 21st	7:00 p.m.	Outstanding Letterman’s Club Award Ceremony Glenelg High School, Cafeteria
Tuesday, May 22nd	6:00 p.m.	Baccalaureate (<i>Not GHS Sponsored</i>) Glenelg High School, Cafeteria
Thursday, May 24th (Last day for seniors)	9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. 11:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.	Senior Award Ceremony Glenelg High School, Auditorium Senior Picnic Circle D Farm, Glenwood, MD
Wednesday, May 30th	4:00 p.m.	GRADUATION Merriweather Post Pavilion, Columbia, MD

(Students should arrive to Merriweather Post Pavilion no later than 3:15 p.m.)

Please Note:

- Attendance at all graduation rehearsals is mandatory
- HCPSS Policies are in effect for all Senior Activities