

What Can I Do Now?

All Graduates...

- ▶ Remove Cap and Gown/Tassel From Packaging
- ▶ Try on Cap and Gown... If it doesn't fit, let Jostens Know ASAP!
- ▶ Hang Up Gown and allow Wrinkles to Fall Out
- ▶ Use a very (almost cool) iron to remove wrinkles or use a steamer
- ▶ Select Appropriate Dress Shoes- No Sneakers/Flip Flops or Sandals
- ▶ Plan to Look your Best!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

What Else Can I Do Now?

Option 1

- ▶ Select White, Beige, Light Pink, Light Blue, Light Green (Pastel Colored Dress to Wear- Hemline Shorter than Gown
- ▶ Select Comfortable Dress Shoes (no sneakers, flip flops or Rainbow Colored Shoes- Wear White or Clear Shoes- Avoid Extremely High Heeled Shoes- Safety Issue and you will be standing for over an hour before you sit down
- ▶ Get Collars Pinned Now... See Dr. Elom in Room 116 or Mrs. Finklea in Room 122 (Too much going on at Florence Center to Wait until Graduation)
- ▶ Select Very Simple Jewelry to Wear with Gown

Option 2

- ▶ Select a white, light blue, soft yellow, off white shirt Dress **Collared** Shirt- No Tee/ Other Casual Shirts, Please!
- ▶ Select an Appropriate Tie (Bow or Traditional)
- ▶ Select Appropriate Dress Pants- Khakis may be worn- No Jeans!
- ▶ Appropriate dress shoes to complement the look of a scholarly student

What else can I do?

- ▶ Use your time wisely. Make up all work missed ASAP!
- ▶ Take a very serious approach! Don't participate in any pranks or inappropriate behavior that might result in disciplinary action, suspension or prevent you from participating in your long-awaited graduation ceremony.
- ▶ Complete online as well as APEX classes (May 28)
- ▶ Complete Attendance Recovery ASAP! (May 28)
- ▶ Come to school- Don't miss anymore days!
- ▶ Tell a Senior Class Adviser, Mrs. Judy Hanna, or your counselor if you definitely are not going to participate in the graduation ceremony.

Managing Ticket Allotments

- ▶ Graduates will be issued 12 tickets May 15, 2019 to distribute among your family, guests, and friends. Children five (5) years old and younger do not need tickets.
- ▶ Discuss with your parents/guardians which of your guests will be given tickets and give each designated individual a ticket prior to the graduation ceremony. If a graduate does not need all 12 tickets, please return them to the Mrs. Hanna or Mrs. Young in the main office.
- ▶ If a graduate wants additional tickets, please let Mrs. Hanna or Mrs. Young in the main office know. Your name along with the number of additional tickets will be placed on a list. Extra tickets will be distributed at Senior Check-out May 30, 2019.

Attending Graduation at Florence Center

- ▶ Carpool since there will be limited parking.
- ▶ Seniors will park in the upper level parking.
- ▶ Expect to be towed if you or your guests park in any of the business parking lots close to the Florence Center.
- ▶ Leave personal items in the trunk of the car because there will be a metal detection process in place.
- ▶ Leave all balloons, flowers, noise makers at home or wherever the after party will be held. The Florence Center staff along with law enforcement will take these items and put them in an unsecured room.

Giving your Guests Advice about Audience Behaviors

- ▶ Encourage them to sit quietly because everyone in attendance deserves to hear each graduate's name when it is called. An administrator will announce when everyone can cheer for sections of students.
- ▶ Encourage your family and friends to celebrate your graduation quietly and creatively. Some family members wear customized tee-shirts with their graduate's face on it.
- ▶ Remind them to remain in their seats until the ceremony ends. It takes away from the dignity of the ceremony when large groups of people exit as soon as their graduate's name is called.

Keeping Important Dates in Mind

- ▶ 11:50 a.m. - 1:50 p.m. Tuesday, May 7, 2019- Jostens- Very Last Time to Pick Up Supplies on Campus!
- ▶ 7:00 p.m. Thursday, May 9, 2019- Academic Awards Night
- ▶ 11:45 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Wednesday, May 15, 2019, in the lobby area where Jostens sets up, Seniors may pick up 12 graduation tickets. Seniors must have pictured id and will be required to sign for tickets.
- ▶ 7:00 p.m. Wednesday, May 15, 2019- Athletic Awards Night for all Spring Sports
- ▶ 7:00 p.m. Thursday, May 16, 2019- Class Night

Keeping Important Dates in Mind

- ▶ **7 p.m. Thursday, May 16, 2019- Class Night- Seniors may pick up yearbooks in the cafeteria after program ends. (Need ID) Seniors may buy a yearbook after the program ends. \$75.00 Cash or credit cards- No Checks!**
- ▶ **Friday, May 17, 2019- All outstanding fees must be cleared. Families can pay with cash, or debit/credit cards.**

Keeping Important Dates in Mind

- ▶ **6 p.m. Sunday, May 19, 2019- Baccalaureate (Voluntary Non-Denominational Religious Ceremony for candidates for graduation, parents and friends) Graduates wear cap and gown appropriately dressed and report to the library by 5:00 p.m.**
- ▶ **Thursday, May 23, 2019- First and Third Period Senior Exams**
- ▶ **Friday, May 24, 2019- Second and Fourth Period Senior Exams**

Keeping Important Dates in Mind

- ▶ **Friday, May 24, 2019- Seniors must turn in all textbooks, Chromebooks, Chargers, Cases, and library books.**
- ▶ **Thursday, May 30, 2019 -All seniors or a designee must come to the school from 2:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. for Senior Check Out- Bring Picture ID and Cash, Debit or Credit Cards if fees are still owed**
- ▶ **Senior Check Out Begins in lobby area in front of the auditorium.**

Seniors Farewell to Elementary Schools Scheduled

- ▶ Principals at the following elementary schools in the South Florence School zone have granted permission for seniors to take their final walk in the halls of the buildings you once attended.
- ▶ Seniors must report to the main office upon arrival at the elementary school.
- ▶ Briggs Elementary School 8:00 a.m. Thursday, May 30, 2019
- ▶ Savannah Grove Elementary School 8:00 a.m. Thursday, May 30, 2019
- ▶ Dewey L. Carter Elementary School 9:00 a.m. Thursday, May 30, 2019
- ▶ Greenwood Elementary School 10:00 a.m. Thursday, May 30, 2019
- ▶ Seniors must be appropriately attired, respectful of the school's established rules, serious, and on time for the Final Walk as a student in Florence One Schools. If you were engaged in non-district one approved activities the night before and you don't want to display appropriate behavior, please do not participate in this senior activity. The faculty, staff, and students are looking forward to your arrival and want to congratulate you on your graduation from high school.

Most Important Reason for Coming to Senior Check Out

- ▶ Get Tickets for Guests to Attend the Graduation Ceremony at the Florence Center Scheduled for 7:00 p.m. Wednesday, June 5, 2019. (You or Parent/Guardian Must Have Pictured ID to get Tickets).
- ▶ Candidates for Graduation (that's you) must complete the Senior Check Out Process.

Very Last Chance for Graduate or Designee to Pay all Fines (Cash, Debit or Credit Cards) 2:00 - 3:30 p.m. Thursday, May 30, 2019

Textbooks, Library, Cafeteria, ROTC, Clubs/Organizations, Elementary School,
Middle School, Parking tickets, Chromebooks, Chargers, Cases



Senior Check Out Day Begins in Lobby

Counting Down to Completion...

- ▶ 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Tuesday, June 4, 2019- Mandatory Graduation Practice at Florence Center for all seniors who will participate in 7:00 p.m. Ceremony Wednesday, June 5, 2019
- ▶ Please arrive at least 15 minutes early for practice and graduation.
- ▶ 7:00 p.m., Wednesday, June 5, 2019- Graduation at Florence Center- Graduates must arrive by 6:00 p.m.
- ▶ Use Door 3 both days.



Rehearsing

- ▶ Graduation Rehearsal Tuesday, June 4 at Florence Center (9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.) Practice is Required for every graduate who plans to participate Wednesday, June 5, 2019. Do not wear cap and gown to practice. (A Responsible Designee May Come in Your Place)
- ▶ Arriving early for rehearsal and ceremony is crucial. Please arrive by 8:45 a.m. for rehearsal and please be in place for the ceremony at 6:00 p.m. Getting into the parking lot may pose a problem, so arrive early and avoid unnecessary stress and anxiety. Both the rehearsal and graduation ceremony will begin on time
- ▶ Once practice and graduation ceremony begins, please silence all cell phones and leave them off until you are dismissed.
- ▶ Please remove all gum before practice begins and before the procession begins to signal the start of graduation.

Remembering every Detail...

- ▶ Honor Cords/Medallion will be issued at Graduation Rehearsal/Practice.
- ▶ Keep your honor cord/medallion around your neck once it is given to you at practice.
- ▶ Bring the honor cord/medallion to graduation. We don't have extras to hand out if you leave yours home.
- ▶ Display your Best Behavior.
- ▶ Use the restroom beforehand.
- ▶ Listen to Instructions/Directions the first time they are given.

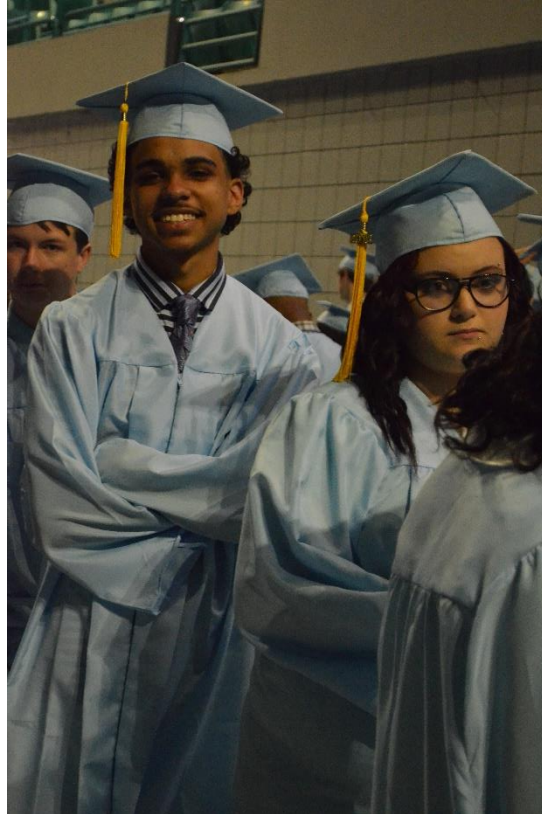
District Approved Honor Stoles and Cords

- ▶ Board of Trustee Medallion
- ▶ Double Cords
- ▶ Single Cord
- ▶ Beta Club Stole
- ▶ National Honor Society Stole
- ▶ National Technical Honor Society Stole
- ▶ Spanish Cord
- ▶ Arts Cord
- ▶ Spanish Cord
- ▶ CNA Cord
- ▶ Military Cord



Planning to Go Through Metal Detection

Graduates will have to go through a metal detection process the day of graduation, so leave personal items in your cars or with family.



Lining Up

Graduation begins promptly at 7:00 p.m. Graduates must arrive at 6:00 p.m., enter through Door Number 3, and wait behind the black curtain. Line up of graduates begins at 6:15 p.m.

Missing Out...

Graduates who arrive after 7:00 p.m. must report to Door Number 3 and wait behind the curtain until your row lines up to receive diplomas. A senior class adviser will assist you.

We need your help!

- ▶ Once you get in the graduation line and in the arena, please keep your cell phones out of sight until the ceremony ends. Please do not take any “selfies” or use the phone the entire time you are on the arena floor.
- ▶ Females, please leave your purses with a responsible friend or family member.
- ▶ Please do not throw your caps until you have exited the building.
- ▶ Tell your family and friends to meet you outside.

Remembering Protocols

- ▶ Remove the calling card (index card from the chair before you sit down).
- ▶ Remain in your designated seat until your row is directed to the ramp.
- ▶ Take your calling card with you to the ramp.
- ▶ Male Graduates will remove caps during the Presentation of the Colors and keep them off during the Pledge of Allegiance. In addition, males will remove their caps during the singing of the Alma Mater.

A Date and Time
to Remember
for Life... 7:00
p.m.
Wednesday,
June 5, 2019

