Heritage High School
Commencement Information Quick Sheet

***Cap/Gown Unit Distribution May 8-11 during all lunches***

Graduation Practices are (MANDATORY)

**May 22, 2023**

- Graduates report to HHS at 8:30 a.m-11:00 a.m. (bring your cap and gown for senior group picture).
- Honor Stoles can be purchased immediately after practice.

**May 23, 2023**

- Graduates report to HHS at 8:00 a.m. to ride the bus to New Birth. Buses will be assigned by graduate order. **All participants MUST ride the bus to and from New Birth. Graduates may NOT drive to the practice.**
- Graduation Tickets will be distributed **AFTER** practice.

**May 24, 2023, GRADUATION WILL START PROMPTLY AT 6:00PM.**

- Students arrive dressed by 4:30 p.m. Transportation will not be provided. Graduates will need to park by or get dropped off at the Chapel.
- There will not be anywhere to store extra items, so do not bring them (Purses, phones, etc.)!
- Doors open for guests at 5:00 p.m.
- Balloons and noisemakers are prohibited.
- All guests ages 0-200 must have a ticket to enter.
- Diploma Retrieval will be on May 25, 2023, from 9:00 a.m. -11:00 a.m. in the bus lane. Do not come in the school to retrieve your diploma. You

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will be told to come the following week. If you miss the pickup day, diplomas can be picked up on and after May 30th.

**Graduation Attire:**

Do Not Iron your graduation gown. Upon receipt, hang it up and allow the wrinkles to fall naturally.

Write your name on the inside of your graduation cap.

Dress above the gown hem, dark shoes, or sandals with a heel strap (formal—must be flat or wedge) OR Light button-down shirt, dark tie, dark pants, and blue or black shoes (formal)

No flip flops, crocs, sneakers, or slides. Students inappropriately dressed will not be allowed to participate in graduation.

Graduation caps CAN NOT be decorated.

Seniors out of dress code will not be able to participate in the Commencement ceremony. Participation is a privilege, not a right.

**Honor Graduates:** End of Semester after all grades have been posted!

- **Cum Laude (Honors):** minimum 3.5 GPA through 3.69, weighted
- **Magna Cum Laude (High Honors):** minimum 3.7 GPA, weighted
- **Summa Cum Laude (Highest Honors):** overall GPA of at least 3.9, weighted.

** Honor Stoles can be purchased for $30 cash from Ms. Benton.**

Club/Organization Cords must be ordered through the club sponsor.

**Senior Final Exams:**

| B3/B4: Exams                       | A3/A4: Exams                       |
| Tuesday, May 16- B1/B2 Exams      | Wednesday, May 17- A1/A2 Exams    |
| Thursday, May 18 and Friday, May 19 Senior Make up Exams |

Students who do not have transportation after exams MUST report to their regular classes.

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Cap and Gown Unit $60  
(Say No Thanks to all add-ons)

Senior Dues $105

**Miscellaneous:**

- **Decision Day:** April 28 (upload acceptances, intent to enroll docs on the form.  
  [https://forms.office.com/r/Dn6V4hkTVp](https://forms.office.com/r/Dn6V4hkTVp)  Students ONLY!

- **May 4**

- **Senior Week:** May 8-11

- **May 11**

- **May 12-18**

- **May 18-20th Senior Intensive (May 20th is a Saturday).**
  - 8:30-3:30
  - Must remain on campus for the duration of the program.

- **May 19:** Senior Parade- Details will be sent via Remind.  
  Parents are welcome to attend!

- **Senior Remind:** Text: 81010  
  @graduate23

- If you have received or have been offered any scholarships, then please fill out this form:  
  [https://forms.office.com/r/mkvdu8xext](https://forms.office.com/r/mkvdu8xext)

- **Senior Credit Recovery courses end on May 11, 2023.**

- **Check Infinite Campus for fines. All senior fines (lunch, clubs, sports, library) must be cleared before graduation practices.**

- **HOPE Scholarship will cover 100% tuition starting July 1, 2023.**

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