IMPORTANT DATES AND INFORMATION FOR **GRADUATION CLASS OF 2021**



CAPS and GOWNS: Caps and gowns will be distributed during the Senior Celebration on Friday, May 7th. Caps and gowns will only be ordered for students who have paid their cap and gown fee as indicated on the Power School fee statements. Any students who have not yet taken care of this must contact the bookstore as soon as possible.

END OF SCHOOL: The last day of attendance for seniors is Monday, May 17

SENIOR EXAMS: May 11 - 14 (regular day schedule)

FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS: Bloom School District 206 Board of Education policy requires that ALL financial obligations be cleared in order for seniors to participate in the graduation exercises. The deadline for payment

of any outstanding financial obligations is Friday, May 14. Also, please note that only cash, money order, credit card, or certified check will be accepted to pay student fees.

PARENT MEETING: Each graduate MUST have a parent or guardian attend a virtual graduation meeting on either Wednesday, May 12, at 6:00 pm, or Thursday, May 13, at 10:00 am. At this parent meeting, the administration will go over the specific details of this event, where to park, what doors to enter, what time to arrive and other important information.

COMMENCEMENT: The commencement ceremony is Sunday, May 23, at 11:00 for last names A-J and at 3:00 pm for last names K-Z on Sarff Field (or MCann gym if inclement weather). Graduates must be present, dressed and ready 30 minutes before the ceremony begins. Graduates are expected to leave ALL personal belongings including purses and cell phones at home, or with their parents. There will be no food or drink allowed in the ceremony area. Late students will not be permitted to participate in the ceremony.

ALL graduation requirements must be met in order for seniors to participate in the graduation ceremony. These requirements include the accumulation of the proper amount of credits, payment of outstanding fees, completion of all final exams. Fees can be paid using the following link https://sd206.revtrak.net/. Additionally, any negative or inappropriate behavior in the weeks leading up to the ceremony or during the ceremony itself, may jeopardize the students' privilege of walking across the stage to receive their diplomas. This includes, but is not limited to, student suspensions for major disciplinary infractions. Bloom seniors are role models for our learning community and, as such, are expected to behave like responsible young adults. Additionally, students who behave inappropriately during the ceremony will have their diploma withheld and will be required to complete community service before receiving their diplomas.

APPROPRIATE ATTIRE:

All students are advised to dress professionally for this important occasion. Corsages are NOT Gym shoes and flip flops are not acceptable. Girls are encouraged to wear comfortable shoes,—there is a long procession, as well as stairs, to and from the stage. High heels will be very difficult to walk in on the turf, we recommend flats or wedge shoes. Students may not decorate their caps or wear sunglasses.

TICKETS FOR COMMENCEMENT: The graduate will receive <u>two tickets</u> for the ceremony. No guests will be admitted to this ceremony without a ticket—no exceptions will be made. Students cannot give unused tickets to other graduates as they will be numbered for each specific student use. All guests must wear masks at all times and there is no food or drink allowed in the ceremony area.

DIPLOMA DISTRIBUTION: Due to the large number of graduates, students will receive an empty diploma cover when they walk across the stage. Diplomas will be distributed immediately following the ceremony in the circle drive on 10th street. Only graduates will come to the circle and must leave as soon as they receive their diploma. Students who are disruptive or inappropriate during the graduation ceremony, **WILL NOT** be given their diploma until the matter has been resolved with the administration after graduation. **This resolution will include completing community service hours before receiving their diploma.**

SUMMARY OF IMPORTANT DATES

May 3 - 17	AP Exams
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May 4 NHS Inductions- 5 pm

May 7 Senior Celebration from 4-7 pm

May 10 Last Day for correspondence and/or credit recovery course credits

May 13 Senior Awards at 7 pm (Virtual)

May 11- 14 Senior Exams 5/11-5/14

May 14 Deadline for payment of any outstanding financial obligations

May 17 Seniors' Last Day—1:05 pm dismissal

May 23 Commencement 11:00 am (last name A-J) and 3:00 pm (last name K-Z)



Senior Final Exam Schedule

May 11 Periods 1 & 2

May 12 Asynchronous Day

May 13 Periods 3 & 4/5/6

May 14 Period 6/7/8 & 9