

LOS GATOS HIGH SCHOOL

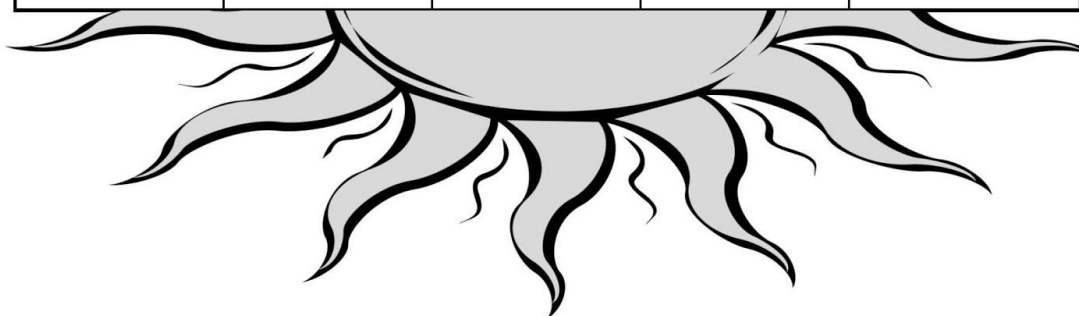
TO: Graduating Seniors
FROM: LGHS ADMINISTRATION
DATE: June 2017
SUBJECT: SENIOR WEEK - GRADUATION INFORMATION – READ CAREFULLY

The countdown has begun for Senior Week! This is the first year we'll be hosting Senior Week, an action-packed week with activities each day designed especially for our seniors to culminate their high school experience together as a class. It will run from Monday, June 5 through Friday, June 9. Seniors will finish attending classes on Friday, June 2 and all of the work needed to finish the school year is expected to be finished and submitted by that date. Please make each day count and do your best until June 2. Seniors are highly encouraged to attend all of the activities throughout the week. We've planned the week to be fun-filled and memorable for all seniors. Attendance will be taken at the events. A calendar of the events is shown below:

LGHS Senior Week



Monday 6/5	Tuesday 6/6	Wednesday 6/7	Thursday 6/8	Friday 6/9
Senior Breakfast & Bike Day	Senior Fun Day	Senior Beach Day	Senior Celebration Day	Graduation & Grad Night
10am-12pm	10am-12pm	All Day Event	10am-12pm	All Day (& Night) Events
Helm Field	Helm Field	Santa Cruz Beach Boardwalk	LGHS Theater	Front Lawn & Large Gym
Kick off the day with a bike parade & breakfast! Prizes will be given to the best decorated bikes. Marching partners will be posted. Bring your yearbooks and pens too!	Fun activities planned! Jump houses, dunk tanks, dodge ball, etc. Come ready to play! Beach attire acceptable in event area.	Don't forget to buy your tickets for a day at the Santa Cruz Beach Boardwalk! Tickets include all day ride passes, transportation & lunch.	Senior Celebration, encore performances from the Talent Show & the Yearbook Video will be debuted.	Graduation Practice (8:45am), Graduation Ceremony (5:30pm), Grad Bags, and Grad Night.... The last hurrah!



GRADUATION REHEARSAL AND CEREMONY - Friday, June 9, 2017

Congratulations to the Graduating Class of 2017! The commencement ceremony at LGHS is a very special occasion to honor the hard work of each senior as well as the community of supporters who have helped each of you earn your high school diploma – family, friends, teammates, coaches, teachers, and staff, among others. The ceremony is a dignified occasion and has been carefully prepared by faculty members who have supported you and remain committed to your success. Please read the following information so that you will be able to participate fully and return honor to all of those who have supported your journey along the way.

ATTENDANCE IS REQUIRED AT GRADUATION REHEARSAL!

1. In order to participate in the commencement exercises, you **MUST BE PRESENT AT THE MANDATORY 8:45 A.M. REHEARSAL ON FRIDAY, JUNE 9. Seniors not present at this rehearsal will not be allowed to participate in the evening ceremony.** The rehearsal will be completed at approximately 12:00 noon. **No one will be excused prior to the end of rehearsal.**
2. Marching assignments will be posted in the main hall by Thursday afternoon. If you are unable to check assignments before leaving school on Thursday, please plan on arriving to school early Friday to view your room assignment. All participating graduates will be assigned to rooms in the main building and classroom building for the purposes of taking roll, arranging the marching order, checking of appropriate attire, and the issuing of diplomas. Graduates must report to their assigned classrooms **by 8:45 a.m. on the morning of practice and by 5:30 p.m.** on the night of graduation. Guests are not allowed in these rooms.
3. Anyone under the **influence of alcohol or other drugs** before or during the ceremony **will not be allowed to participate.**
4. **Seniors must have paid in full all current financial obligations prior to 12:30 p.m. on June 5th.** This means all fines paid and all textbooks, library books and uniforms returned. If you fail to meet this obligation, **you will not receive your diploma until your fines are paid.** You can settle your account the following Monday, June 12 after graduation if you miss the deadline.

Rehearsal day can be very warm. ***Please arrive on time (by 8:45 am) so we can start the rehearsal on time and beat the heat!***

DRESSING FOR THE GRADUATION CEREMONY

1. Gowns must be pressed (with a warm, not hot iron). The tassel is worn to the right of the cap and remains there. Caps should be placed on the head so that the mortar board is level, not tilted back. No additional decorations or adornments may be worn.

2. **DO NOT CHEW GUM!**

3. **INFORMATION FOR GIRLS:**

1. Girls should wear a simple, light-weight dress without a high neckline which would show above the white collar.
2. Beach thongs, bare feet, slippers, or tennis shoes are **not acceptable footwear**.
3. It is a good idea to bring safety pins (and maybe even bobby pins to hold your cap in place!) for emergencies.
4. **Flowers or other adornments of the cap or gown are not allowed.**

4. **INFORMATION FOR BOYS**

1. Boys are to wear dress shirts and a necktie. Boys without neckties will not be allowed to participate.
2. Beach thongs, bare feet, slippers, or tennis shoes are not acceptable footwear.
3. It is customary for the boys to remove their caps during the playing of the national anthem.
4. **Adornments of the cap or gown are not allowed.**

Senior Class Expectations (A reminder -- please heed all school rules.)

Observe LGHS Rules... All LGHS rules apply to students while on campus and during school-sponsored activities, including throughout Senior Week. In addition to receiving penalties, such as suspension, students involved in any of the following activities may not participate in senior activities, including marching with their class during the graduation ceremony:

- **Students involved in the possession, sale, transfer, or use of drugs or alcohol;**
- **Students who are found to be under the influence of drugs or alcohol;**
- **Students involved in any pranks, described as “actions that are significantly disruptive to educational programs.”**

Thank you for following all school rules.