



WALNUT HILLS HIGH SCHOOL

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May 2, 2022

Dear Parents and Guardians of the Class of 2022:

Commencement exercises for the Class of 2022 are scheduled for Thursday, May 26th, 6:30 p.m. at Fifth Third Arena which is located on the University of Cincinnati Campus. Participation is not mandatory; if your student does not plan to participate in the Commencement program, please notify us by completing the [Graduation Participation Survey](#) no later than Friday, May 20th. Only those students who attend the rehearsal will be permitted to participate in the Commencement program.

We understand that the University of Cincinnati and Cincinnati Public Schools has a mask optional policy, however, we highly encourage the wearing of masks during the ceremony. Tickets will not be needed to enter the arena but the University has requested that families limit the number of guests to 10 or less. We will continue to work closely with UC. Please continue to check your email for any additional COVID restrictions or updates.

Calhoun, Corry, Campus Green and University Garages will be open 1 ½ hours prior to the start of the ceremony for parents and guests. The **Varsity Village Garage** will be available for ADA parking. The 5/3 Arena doors open one hour prior to commencement.

All **academic, financial and discipline** issues must be resolved in order to participate in graduation rehearsal and the commencement program. It is the individual student's responsibility to see that these obligations are met. Caps and Gowns will be distributed on Tuesday, May 24th, 5:30-7:00 pm, provided the student has turned in the Senior "Future Plans" form and satisfied all other obligations.

JostensPIX has been contracted to photograph each of our students as their diploma is presented. This ensures every family the opportunity to have a picture of their graduate while maintaining a dignified atmosphere during the Commencement ceremony. Detailed instructions for ordering pictures will be given at the rehearsal. We kindly request that you limit your personal photography to before and after the ceremony in order to facilitate an uninterrupted Commencement program.

Commencement is a time for celebration. The formal ceremony at 5/3 Arena, however, is designed to be one of dignity and respect. This goal can be achieved with everyone's total cooperation. 5/3 Arena does not allow balloons or other large celebratory items. No air horns are allowed in the facility. All bags and purses will be searched prior to entering 5/3 Arena. UC personnel will be stationed throughout the Arena during graduation ceremonies and these items will be confiscated.

We look forward to seeing you at Fifth Third Arena on Thursday evening, May 26th, as we bid farewell to the Class of 2022.

Sursum Ad Summum!

Sincerely,

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Assistant Principal (H-O)

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