

CLASS OF 2019

STADIUM HIGH SCHOOL COMMENCEMENT



A GUIDE FOR SENIORS AND THEIR FAMILIES

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Congratulations! You're in the final stretch. We are so excited for you during this event-packed journey towards graduation. Please review this information thoroughly, because it will help you complete the year successfully.

Remember: Participation in the graduation ceremony is a privilege.

Failure to maintain appropriate conduct will result in non-participation in the graduation ceremony.

Graduation Program Information – DEADLINE EXTENDED – Monday, May 20, 2019

We want to recognize our seniors' accomplishments! Because there are college or community scholarships we may not be aware of, seniors are responsible for notifying the school about these awards. Please visit www.stadiumtigers.org to fill out the Graduation Program Information form. These scholarships may not be announced at the Senior Awards Night; however, they will be printed in the graduation program if included on this form. *Information received after May 20, 2019 will not be included in the graduation program due to printing deadlines.*

Senior Prom – Saturday, June 1, 2019 at the Washington State History Museum

Night at the Museum, Stadium's Senior Prom, will be held at the Washington State History Museum in downtown Tacoma on Saturday, June 1, 2019. This culminating senior celebration will be enjoyed from 7:30 PM – 10:30 PM, however you must be in the building by 8:30 PM to be granted entrance to the event. Students are responsible for their own transportation and parking is included in the ticket cost. In addition to dancing, seniors and their guests will be able to view the museum's galleries and enjoy an ice cream sundae and toppings bar. Please remember that this is an alcohol-free, drug-free, tobacco-free and vape-free school function. This is a school event, and all school rules apply. Tickets will be sold through the Business Office from May 20 through May 31 at the rate of \$35 for seniors and \$55 for underclassmen and out-of-school guests (9th grade to 20 years of age). No tickets will be sold at the door. Tickets are non-refundable and non-transferable. This is a senior event, and accordingly, seniors are encouraged to attend with their senior classmates. Out-of-school guest forms are available in the Main Office. Seniors cannot purchase tickets for out-of-school guests until forms has been approved. Seniors may only bring one guest and guests MUST arrive with their Stadium senior date. Everyone must show picture ID to enter the prom and no large bags or purses will be allowed in the dance. A coat check will be available.

Senior Awards Night – Tuesday, June 4, 2019 in the Stadium Theater

Senior Awards Night will be held on Tuesday, June 4 at 6:00 PM in the Stadium Theater. The event is open to everyone. Seniors being recognized will be notified by invitation and will sit on the stage throughout the ceremony. Invitations will be mailed home and given to students in person. If you receive an invitation, please enter through the stage door in the lobby.

Senior Checkout – Tuesday, June 11, 2019 and Wednesday, June 12, 2019 in the PAC

- **Tuesday, June 11:** Seniors will pick up Clearance Forms before school in the PAC building and attend their regular class schedule. All textbooks and supplies must be turned in by this date. All credit retrieval must be completed by this date. Seniors MUST complete the Clearance Form to graduate.
- **Wednesday, June 12:** Seniors will report directly to the Theater by 7:30 AM to complete the checkout process. Seniors will be released from school as soon as they have completed their senior clearance forms. Seniors MUST turn in their Clearance Forms to their counselors to walk at graduation.

GRADUATION 2019

Graduation Walks – Wednesday, June 12 or Thursday, June 13 at TPS Elementary Schools (see flier for times)

Graduation Rehearsal – Thursday, June 13, 2019 at the Tacoma Dome

Per Tacoma Public School Regulation 2410R, **all students must participate in rehearsal to be included in the graduation ceremony.** Practice is Thursday, June 13 from **9:00 AM to 10:30 AM** at the Tacoma Dome. Graduates will enter through Lower Gate A and may park in Lot A or B for rehearsal at no cost. Graduates are responsible for their own transportation to the Dome for both rehearsal and for the graduation ceremony.

Graduation Ceremony – Thursday, June 13, 2019 at the Tacoma Dome

Graduates must be at Lower Gate A by 6:15 PM

Doors open at 6:15 PM

Graduation Ceremony starts at 7:00 PM

Graduates will stop by the tables to pick up their name card, which they must have before the ceremony begins. Graduates will give the name card to one of the name readers just before they cross the stage. Please do not make any last-minute changes on the card. If you have an unusual or difficult pronunciation, please speak with Mrs. Lofton or Mrs. Wren, this year's readers, at graduation.

- **Important:** The use of drugs, alcohol, tobacco or vapes is strictly forbidden at any school district event. Students under the influence/in possession of the above will not be allowed to participate in graduation.
- **Valuables:** Leave all items with family members. Graduates will not be allowed entrance by Dome personnel with purses, bags, etc. Stadium and the Tacoma Dome are not responsible for any lost items.
- **Attire:** Graduates will wear blue caps and gowns with gold stoles for the graduation ceremony. Per Tacoma Public School Regulation 2410R, no additional adornments will be allowed. Attire should be Stadium Dress Code appropriate. Each graduate is responsible for bringing the cap and gown to the graduation ceremony. **DO NOT FORGET THE TASSEL.** *For the best graduation pictures, make sure to iron or steam the gown and stole.*
- **Graduation Orders:** Seniors should have already ordered their graduation materials. New orders must be made online as soon as possible at www.RRGrad.com. The minimum order is a cap, gown, tassel and stole. *Students with financial hardships should see their Counselor or Mrs. Lopez if they need assistance with this purchase.*
- **Photos:** Leo's Photography will be taking color photos of each graduate as they receive their diploma cover on stage – smile! These pictures will be available to order at www.leosphotography.com using code **GRA180846**. We encourage families to take personal photos from their seats during the ceremony and before and after the event, as we cannot allow families on the floor during the ceremony.
- **Graduation Tickets:** Entrance will be by ticket only and is general admission. ***There are no reserved seats for graduation.*** Tickets are \$5.00 each and may be purchased (cash, check or credit card) before school, after school and during lunch at the Stadium Business Office. Each graduate will receive eight (8) free tickets during Senior Checkout **if all fees and fines are paid.** Additional tickets may also be purchased at Senior Checkout. Tickets may be purchased at the Tacoma Dome on Graduation Day and will also be \$5.00.
- **Guest Entry and Accessibility:** Families and guests will enter through Gate C and Upper Gate A. Handicapped seating is available on the main floor. Visibility is not optimal, but it is easily accessible to persons with wheelchairs, heart conditions, limited vision, etc. Up to three people may accompany each handicapped individual. It is suggested that you enter through Lower Gate A. There will also be a roped off Hearing-Impaired section in the upper seating area. Enter through Upper C or Upper A doors.
- **Parking:** The Tacoma Dome charges \$15.00 for parking for all vehicles, including graduates. Graduates, families and guests may park in Lots A, B, F and G. Handicapped parking is also available in Lots D, E and K. For handicapped persons sitting on the main floor, parking is in Lots K and J.

Important Dates for the Class of 2019

MAY

May 16	Senior Class Meeting, 6 th period
May 20-21	Math SBAC Testing, 7:35-10:20AM – <i>Seniors who need to meet standard</i>
May 20-24	Edgenuity Credit Retrieval, 7:35-10:20AM, Rm B14 – <i>Seniors who need it</i>
May 22-23	ELA SBAC Testing, 7:35-10:20AM – <i>Seniors who need to meet standard</i>
May 24	Memorial Day Assembly
May 27	Memorial Day - No School
May 31	Last Day for Prom Ticket Sales, Stadium Business Office

JUNE

June 1	Prom, 7:30 PM – 10:30 PM (Must arrive by 8:30 PM with ticket & ID)
June 4	Yearbook Distribution - Seniors only, lunch & after school, SB31
June 4	Senior Awards Night, 6:00 PM, Stadium Theater
June 11	Seniors' Last Day - MUST follow regular schedule for teacher checkout ➤ Pick up Clearance Forms in PAC lobby prior to 7:30 AM
June 11	Final Assembly – Farewell to Seniors, End of Day, Stadium Gym
June 12	Senior Check Out, 7:30 AM, Stadium Theater
June 12	Graduation Walks at Elementary Schools <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Browns Point, 3:00 PM▪ Crescent Heights, Grant, NE Tacoma, Washington, 2:30 PM
June 13	Graduation Rehearsal, 9:00 AM, Tacoma Dome ➤ Must be present to participate in the ceremony!
June 13	Graduation Walks at Elementary Schools <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Lowell and Sherman, 2:30 PM
June 13	Graduation Ceremony, 7:00 PM, Tacoma Dome ➤ Graduates must be at Lower Gate A by 6:15 PM

Picking up Diplomas – July 2019 in the Stadium Guidance Office

Diplomas will be included in a Graduation Packet and may be picked up (with ID) in the Guidance Office in July, exact date to be determined. All fines must be cleared before Graduation Packets will be released. If someone other than the graduate will be picking up a packet, the graduate (or if the graduate is under 18, the parent/guardian) must provide that person with a written, signed permission slip. Senior final grades will not be mailed. They will be included in your Graduation Packet with diplomas and immunization records. Seniors will receive a SchoolMessenger call when Graduation Packets are ready for pickup. An alert will also be posted on the Stadium High School website.

Transcript Requests – Parchment

To request transcripts, Seniors must use Parchment at www.parchment.com. As of August 1, there will be a fee for each official transcript ordered. Seniors MUST update their email in Parchment prior to July 1 to retain access to their account as an alumnus. Seniors can request official transcripts now, but MUST change the indicator from, “Send Now” to “Hold for Grades.” Otherwise, requests will be processed without final grades.