

TAKIN' CARE OF BUSINESS:

Although our best plans to keep you informed early were with good intention, please note there have been some changes and additional info provided. Read the following for current information pertaining to graduation.

Pay your fines to the accountant (Cash only to accountant) and turn in all the library books! 40 hours of community service must be turned in to the counseling center to graduate.

PROM AFTERGLOW! (NEW INFO)

Prom was a success by all measures. A big thanks to Suzi Wylie and John Zook for capturing this magical evening through the lens of a camera! Enjoy reminiscing the night with your graduate.

Here is the website. All photos can be downloaded, printed or ordered. We hope you enjoy the photos!

Photos have been uploaded here:

http://photos.suziandjohn.com/Parties/BHS-Senior-Prom-2011/17363590_KnPNX8

Password is: Wolverines2011

All pictures are downloadable and free!

GRADUATION HONOR CORDS (NEW INFO)

Honor Cords

If your child is eligible for honor cords they would have received notice last week at school. These cords are on sale at the accountant's office starting June 9th. Please check with your student regarding this. If they are uncertain there is a list posted outside of the accountant's office for reference. These cords are generally worn with the commencement robe. The cost is \$10.00 per cord.

- Purple Cord – AP Scholars with Honor – Granted to students who receive an average grade of at least 3.25 on all AP Exams taken, and grades of 3 or higher on four or more of these exams.
- Green Cord – AP Scholars and AP Scholars with Honor – Granted to students who receive grades of at least 3 or higher on three or more AP exams
- Red Cord – 2010-11 Presidential Awards – Granted to students with a GPA of 3.5 or higher
- Gold Cord – National Honor Society members

BACCALAUREATE~ JUNE 13TH 2011

Please join us for a wonderful evening of inspirational performances and art exhibits by members of the Senior Class of 2011. Baccalaureate marks the beginning of your student's graduation week.

June 13th, 2011 at 7:00 pm

First Presbyterian Church of Bellevue
1717 Bellevue Way Northeast
Bellevue, WA

Ample free parking provided.

No tickets or admission required. Reception to follow. This is a non-religious celebration for Seniors and their families.

Recommended Attire: Seniors are asked to wear appropriate clothing - nice slacks/pants, dress shirt or crew shirt with collar, skirts/dresses. Please do not wear jeans, casual clothes, shorts, or clothing with advertising or other prominent text/graphics.

All graduating students must arrive no later than 6:00 pm. They should arrive earlier to Baccalaureate than their parents/guardians to ensure they are on time for the 6:00 pm rehearsal!

CAP AND GOWN DISTRIBUTION JUNE 14TH (NEW INFO)

Cap and Gown distribution will be on June 14th at the Student Store after school. You will not receive your cap and gown if you have any fines outstanding. Gowns should be returned after commencement to the cafeteria. Students should keep their caps, tassels and gold sash.

TICKETS ~ JUNE 14TH CHANGE (INFO CHANGE)

Tickets will be dispersed on June 14th in the main office

Each student will receive 6 tickets, 4 of them will be yellow tickets, and 2 white tickets.

All 6 tickets will be accepted for the football stadium graduation (nice weather)

Only 4 yellow tickets will be accepted for the gymnasium graduation (rain plan)

Please refer to the BHS School website periodically throughout the day for a posting should you have any doubt as to what type of ceremony will be in action.

SENIOR BREAKFAST – JUNE 16TH 2011, 8:30AM (TIME CHANGE)

This is a special breakfast planned by the senior parents and class officers for the Class of 2011. There is no cost for the Senior Breakfast. All students are encouraged to attend. It will be held in the BHS Cafeteria on **Thursday, June 16th beginning @8:30 am. Procession line up for Senior Salute at 9:30a.m.**

SALUTE TO SENIORS ASSEMBLY – JUNE 16TH 2011, 9:40AM (TIME CHANGE)

Senior Salute is an assembly recognizing the Class of 2011 with awards, speeches and musical performances. It will be **June 16th, 2011 at 9:40** in the Main Gym. Parent seating will be in the upper bleachers of the gym.

GRADUATION – JUNE 16TH 2011

THE BIG DAY:

Thursday, June 16th

- * 8:30 9:30 am Senior Breakfast/graduation rehearsal
***time change All Fines must be paid before rehearsal**
- *9:30am Line Up for processional for the Salute to Seniors Assembly:
- * 9:40 -11:40 Salute to Seniors Assembly
***Time change**
- 11:50 a.m. **Mandatory** Graduation Rehearsal. There is no leaving until we are done.
- 5:30 pm Line up begins for **GRADUATION CEREMONY**
Students report to Cafeteria
Leis that have been ordered for your graduate may be Picked up in the arcade after 5:00 p.m.
- 6:30 pm Graduation Ceremony Begins
A Graduation Reception will follow immediately after the ceremony

GRADUATION RECEPTION

Immediately following graduation there will be a reception in the Main Gym and Arcade for all the graduates and their guests. Cookies and punch offered. This is a great time to take pictures and celebrate this great accomplishment. **Afterwards please have your student return his/her graduation gown to the cafeteria. Students may keep their cap, tassel and gold sash.**

SENIOR ALL NIGHT PARTY

Following the reception the graduates will drop off cap & gown in the cafeteria. This is a great time to change into your all night party clothes and send your commencement attire home with your parents. All night party attire is casual and comfortable.

Registration/check in for the party will begin at 9:30 in the auxiliary gym.

Students should not have anything on their person for this event. This includes no cell phones, cameras, food, water bottles etc. Give it all to your parents!

Emergency phones will be available for student use should the need arise.

Students may **not** leave cars parked at BHS overnight for the party.

Busses will return back to the school between 5:50 a.m. and 6:00a.m. the following morning . **Parent pick up is PROMPTLY at 6:00a.m. Please do not be late.**

SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS

If you have a guest attending graduation that has a state handicap parking permit or needs assistance getting to the stadium, please contact Tanja Jones so she can arrange a reserved parking space for them. There are a limited number of spaces available and will be held by reservation only. We will also have a small area for wheelchairs at the top of the stadium. If you would like to reserve a wheel chair space, please contact Tanja. As you know the graduation location is dependent on weather, so if it rains and we are in the gym, the wheelchair area will be just inside the doors.

Tanja Jones, Activities & Athletics Secretary

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PARKING (NEW INFORMATION)

Parking for Graduation 2011

General Parking:

The main lot in the front of the school as well as the east parking lot behind the tennis courts are open for parking. When parking in the main lot in the front of the school please park in designated parking spaces only as we will need to have room to bring in buses for a shuttle and for the graduates at the end of the ceremony. We will have parking lot monitors helping to direct traffic for this important day.

Tennis Court Parking:

Due to the construction project at Bellevue High School the tennis courts have been turned into parking and will be available on a first come first serve basis. There are approximately 60 spaces available.

Off Site Parking:

Parking will also be available in the old Safeway parking lot on Bellevue Way and 4th street, and the Bellevue First Baptist church on Bellevue Way. There will be a shuttle bus from the church parking lot and the old Safeway parking lot. The shuttles will start bringing people on campus at 5:30 and will make its last run to both parking lots at 10:00 pm.

Handicap parking:

There is limited Handicap parking in the main and east lots. There will be handicap parking along the east side of the stadium, giving wheel chair access to the top of the stadium for handicap seating along the top wall. If there are concerns with being able to view the ceremony from the top of the stands there will be wheelchair access and seating available on the track and in the first level of the stands.

Should the weather force us into the Gym, handicap passenger can be dropped off at the front entrance before you proceed to parking.

Graduates:

This is their big day and we are excited to be honoring them. Traditionally parents bring their graduates to the ceremony. Cars cannot be left over night (this is particularly important for the PTSA sponsored graduation party.); students should be picked up at 6:00 am Friday morning after the PTSA sponsored party.

Diplomas:

You can begin to pick up your diploma Friday June 17th in the Main office 8:00am. or after.

Thank you

We would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who has contributed to this successful senior year and graduation process for the class of 2011. Your contribution, whether large or small, is very much appreciated. Best of luck to everyone and have a safe wonderful summer.