May 24, 2022

Dear Parents, Guardians, and the Class of 2022:

It is hard to believe the 2021-2022 school year is almost over, and graduation is in a few weeks! Lake Taylor High School’s faculty and staff stand committed to ensuring students finish the school year strong. We want to thank you for continuing to partner with us as your son/daughter successfully completes Quarter 4 and fulfills any remaining graduation requirements. In addition, please review the important information below regarding final exams and our commencement ceremony. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact your child’s school counselor, grade level administrator, or me. We look forward to seeing the Class of 2022 and you at graduation on Tuesday, June 14th at 4:00 PM at the Chartway Arena.

Thank you for your continued support! We are Titan Strong!

Sincerely,



Dr. Latesha N. Wade-Jenkins

Principal

**Senior Final Exams**:

Final exams for seniors will take place Tuesday, May 31st through Friday, June 3rd.

**Exams are required and comprise 10% of your senior’s grade for each class.** All students should report to their assigned classes daily. Attendance is vital to finish strong! Listed below is the exam schedule:

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| **Date** | **Exam** | **Information** |
| Tuesday, May 31st | Blocks 6 & 8 | \*Full Day |
| Wednesday, June 1st | Blocks 1 & 7 | \*Full Day |
| Thursday, June 2nd | Block 2 Exam (7:25-8:55)  \*Lunch (9:00-9:30)  Block 4 Exam (9:35-11:25) | \*Half Day Dismissal for Seniors @ 11:25AM  Buses Available |
| Friday, June 3rd | Block 3 Exam (7:25-8:55)  \* Lunch (9:00-9:30)  Block 5 Exam (9:35-11:25) | \*Half Day Dismissal for Seniors @ 11:25AM  Buses Available |

**COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY REHERSALS**

Lake Taylor High School graduation rehearsals are on the following dates:

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| Tuesday, June 7th | Block 1- 7:25-8:40 | Graduation Rehearsal @ LTHS |
| Wednesday, June 8th | Block 2- 7:25-8:40 | Graduation Rehearsal @ LTHS |
| Friday, June 10th |  | **Mandatory Graduation Practice @ Chartway Arena 2:00-3:30**  Buses Available at LTHS Leaving Promptly at 1:00 |

**NORFOLK PUBLIC SCHOOLS’ GRADUATION CEREMONIES ARE ON THE FOLLOWING DATES**

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| **School** | **Date** | **Time** |
| Norview High School | June 14, 2022 | 7:00 p.m. |
| Booker T. Washington High  School | June 13, 2022 | 1:00 p.m. |
| Maury High School | June 13, 2022 | 4:00 p.m. |
| Lake Taylor High School | June 14, 2022 | 4:00 p.m. |
| Granby High School | June 14, 2022 | 1:00 p.m. |
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**PREARATION FOR GRADUATION CEREMONY**

Graduating seniors will receive 10 tickets. Tickets will be distributed during our graduation rehearsal that will take place **Friday, June 10, 2022, from 2:00-3:30 p.m.** at Chartway Arena.

* **Every guest must have a ticket**. This includes all infants and children.
* Students will have to **meet graduation requirements**, in addition to **paying all fees owed** and

**returning all equipment *PRIOR*** to being allowed to pick-up ceremony tickets.

* Tickets are **non-transferable** – students may not share their extra, unused tickets with other students or families.

**ARRIVING FOR CEREMONY**

**Parking**

Free parking will be available in the **49th Street Garage**. For those with appropriate vehicle tags, **ADA parking will be reserved on the 1st floor of the garage**.

**Graduate Check-in**

* Graduating seniors must arrive **45 minutes early.**
* Graduating seniors must enter through the Blue Room.

***Graduates must adhere to the following:***

* + No iPads, electronic devices, cameras
  + No gum
  + No key chains
  + Nothing that causes distraction, like whistles, flashlights, laser pointers, air horns, etc.
  + No flowers, balloons, gifts
  + No purses or bookbags

**Balloons, Gifts, Noisemakers**

**All balloons, gifts, noise makers, and extra items are prohibited in the arena**. Guests, graduating seniors, and staff will be asked to return those items to their vehicles prior to being allowed entry into the arena.

**COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY DETAILS**

**Graduates’ Attire**

Graduation from high school signifies a great achievement in a student’s life and academic career. Therefore, we are planning commencement ceremonies that will reflect graduating seniors’ significant accomplishment, along with offering family, friends, and the community the opportunity to share in and celebrate graduates’ achievement.

To ensure that our commencement ceremonies are the memorable and dignified events for our graduating seniors, we have established the following expectations for dress:

**Boys:**

* White shirt
* Tie
* Dark dress pants
* Dark socks
* Dress Shoes
* Graduation gown
* Graduation cap (***NO MODIFICATIONS/DECORATIONS***)
* Tassel (worn on the right until told to move it during the appropriate time in the ceremony)

**Girls:**

* Dress (that does not show below the graduation gown) ***OR*** dark dress pants
* Dark socks (if wearing pants)
* Dress Shoes
* Graduation gown
* Graduation cap (***NO MODIFICATIONS/DECORATIONS***)
* Tassel (worn on the right until told to move it during the appropriate time in the ceremony)

**When choosing clothes for the ceremony, graduating seniors should remember that they may not wear any of the items below:**

* No stiletto heels
* No flip-flops
* No boots
* No tennis shoes