

**NEWARK HIGH SCHOOL
CLASS OF 2021
STUDENT GUIDELINES AND PROCEDURES**

REHEARSAL:

- School dress policy will be in effect. Sit in the seat where your name card is located.
- You **must** attend all graduation practices (June 2 and June 3 at 9:00 a.m.) in order to participate in the actual graduation.
- Do not leave valuables in the auditorium; you will be entering and leaving the auditorium several times during practice. Please leave personal items locked in your car.
- Be prompt to practice.
- If any emergency situation arises, you must contact Mrs. Reggio immediately at 631-4700 ext. 14703 or rebecca.reggio@christina.k12.de.us Work obligations do not constitute an emergency.

COMMENCEMENT:

- Commencement begins at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, June 7, 2021. Seniors are to report to Glasgow High School no later than 5:00 p.m. Parents are not allowed in the line-up area.
- The procession line-up begins upon arrival.
- An index card with your name on it will be taped to a seat in the area where you should line up. **Do not change your place in line!**
- Girls will wear caps throughout the ceremony. Boys will remove caps for playing of the National Anthem and Alma Mater.
- No sunglasses, chewing gum or cell phones are permitted at graduation. Students caught using cell phones anytime during the ceremony will have their diploma withheld.
- Please share with family members that no balloons, posters, or umbrellas will be permitted at graduation so that all families can see the ceremony. If found, the items will be confiscated.
- Graduation will be an extremely dignified ceremony.

APPROPRIATE ATTIRE:

- Underneath the official gown, young men will wear light colored dress shirts, long dark slacks, long tie; dark socks and dark dress shoes (no boots or sports shoes, no sandals or flip-flops).
- Underneath the official gown, young ladies will wear light clothing and dress shoes (flats or sandals). Remember we are walking on grass. Heels will sink into the ground. Pocketbooks should be left with family members. Jewelry should not be large.
- Shoes should not be similar to flip-flops; they should be connected at the heel.
- Please note: It is mandatory that you wear proper attire! Action will be taken against those who do not. You may place walking across the stage in jeopardy if you dress inappropriately.
- If you have any questions regarding acceptable or appropriate dress for the commencement ceremony, please email Mrs. Reggio at rebecca.reggio@christina.k12.de.us or call at 302-631-4700 ext. 14703.

NOTE: To maintain the dignity of the ceremony, any student dressed inappropriately may not be permitted to walk. Any student under the influence of alcohol, drugs, etc. will not be permitted to participate in the graduation ceremony. Code of Conduct consequences will be in force. State police will be in force on site.

Any behavior which detracts from the dignity of the ceremony is inappropriate and will result in your exclusion. The school administration will decide what is appropriate. Do not jeopardize one of the most important events of your life.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS:

At rehearsal on June 3, each student will receive four (4) tickets for commencement. These tickets will be scanned when you enter the stadium and cannot be reproduced. Handicapped seating will be available. One other person may sit with the handicapped individual but whole groups cannot be accommodated in this special area. Young children should not sit in this area.

Students with unmet obligations **will not receive graduation tickets or diplomas** until the obligations are cleared.

Students who have not met all course requirements will not be permitted to participate in the graduation ceremony.

On graduation night, allow plenty of time to get to Glasgow. Please plan accordingly. The ceremony begins promptly at 6:00 p.m.

Spectator photographers will not be permitted near the platform during the graduation ceremony. Arrangements have been made for a professional photographer to be at the graduation ceremony to photograph students receiving their diplomas. **THERE IS NO OBLIGATION TO PURCHASE PICTURES.**

As you walk across the stage, students will receive a diploma cover. Actual diplomas will be distributed as you walk off the stage. Any improper conduct on stage – or at any time during the ceremony – will result in the diploma being held until a meeting with the school administration occurs.