



CLASS OF 2019

SENIOR NEWSLETTER



Dear Class of 2019,

Your senior year is quickly approaching its conclusion and your future is in front of you. It has been a pleasure watching you grow into young adults. You are a great senior class because you have provided the rest of our student body with an outstanding example to follow. You should be proud of your academic accomplishments, as well as your achievements in athletics, activities, performing arts, service to your community, and service to your families. Additionally, and of equal importance, I hope that the personal connections you have established at Wheaton North have helped you develop a desire to continue learning. Your ability to learn and utilize the skills you have acquired these past four years will play an important role throughout your life.

The purpose of this newsletter is to inform you of the important dates and times for the remainder of this school year. It also reminds you of your responsibilities and obligations so you can meet all the requirements for a successful Graduation. Your senior class has conducted themselves in a manner that brings a sense of pride to Wheaton North. You have contributed so much to our school and we are forever grateful. I must also caution you that, although I do not expect this to happen with your senior class, participation in any activity that detracts from the educational process, including any and all senior "pranks", will lead to your removal from the Commencement Ceremony.

Together with your parents, family, and friends, we look forward to honoring you at the Commencement Ceremony on Saturday, May 25. Congratulations!

We are Falcons. We are Proud. We are North.

Sincerely,

Mr. Matt Biscan, Principal

APRIL

*SENIOR CLASS MEETINGS

April 18 - 6B, 12:09-12:31, Taylor Auditorium. The senior class picture will be taken.

April 25 - 7th hour, 12:36-1:23, Taylor Auditorium. We will review Graduation, end-of-the-year procedures, obligations and Graduation speaker voting will take place.

*PROM

This year's Prom, "*Electric Love*", will be held on Saturday, April 27 at the Museum of Science and Industry. The Prom will be chaperoned by administrators and the staff of Wheaton North High School. It is the expectation that students behave in accordance with all school policies. Guests of Wheaton North students are also expected to behave in such a manner. Students will be transported by charter buses to and from the museum. Students may not provide their own transportation. Contact the Activity Office if you have any questions.

MAY

IMPORTANT INFORMATION AND DATES TO REMEMBER

*COUNSELING REMINDERS

Parents should feel free to call their student's counselor if there are any questions about the Graduation status of their senior. Tuesday, May 21 is the final day for seniors to earn credit for second semester. Seniors who are contemplating their plans for next year (i.e. job, military, COD, two or four year college) are strongly encouraged to see their counselor as often as necessary. It is our goal that every person who walks the stage on May 25 has a clear plan for their post-secondary goals. **If you are not planning to participate in the ceremony, please notify the registrar, Mrs. Dudley at 630.784.7323, as soon as possible.**

*FINAL TRANSCRIPT REQUESTS

All seniors should complete the WNHS Graduation Survey online by Wednesday, May 22. The survey can be accessed through your Naviance account by clicking the "About Me" tab. Once official grades are posted in mid-June, our registrar will send out final transcripts to the university/college the student indicates on their Graduation Survey. Caps and gowns will only be issued to students that complete the survey. See your counselor with any questions.

*FINAL EXAMS

At the discretion of each department, seniors may be required to take final exams at the end of the semester. The exams will be administered during regular class periods.

*CHECKOUT PROCEDURES Before Graduation Practice on **May 22**, all graduating seniors should have:

Cleared all outstanding fines and obligations

Cleaned out their hall lockers; returned books to the library

***IMMUNIZATION RECORDS** A copy of your immunization records is enclosed with this newsletter. Many colleges and universities require a copy of these records. Keep them in a safe place.

***COMMENCEMENT PRACTICE AND SENIOR HONORS ASSEMBLY**

Commencement practice will be held on Wednesday, May 22 and Thursday, May 23 at 7:20 a.m. **These meetings are required attendance for all seniors participating in the Commencement Ceremony.** All seniors are **required** to be in attendance at the practice as well as the assembly. In order to participate in the Commencement Ceremony, seniors **must be dressed appropriately.** Those seniors **not present on May 22 and 23 will not be allowed to participate in the Commencement Ceremony on May 25.**

MAY 22 - COMMENCEMENT PRACTICE

Seniors should report to Neibch Gym on Wednesday, May 22 and sit in the seat with your name tag on it by 7:20 a.m. Commencement practice will be conducted at this time. After the Commencement practice, seniors are invited to an informal brunch between 9:00 – 10:00 with the location to be determined. This time is dedicated for you to socialize and take pictures with your classmates.

MAY 23 - SENIOR HONORS ASSEMBLY

The Class of 2019 will be honored by our students and staff at the Senior Honors Assembly on Thursday, May 23. Seniors should report directly to the Small Gym no later than 7:20 a.m. This is the final practice for Commencement. . Once the assembly concludes (approximately 10:00 a.m.), seniors who have completed the check-out process will be issued their cap, gown, and graduation tickets. **NO TICKETS, GOWNS OR CAPS WILL BE ISSUED UNTIL ALL OBLIGATIONS ARE MET.**

***DRESS**

The **Senior Honors Assembly and Commencement are** formal ceremonies at Wheaton North High School. It is our expectation that seniors dress in **professional formal attire** which includes shirts, ties, dresses, dress slacks, blouses, dress shoes or dress sandals. Absolutely no shorts, jeans, t-shirts, or gym shoes will be permitted. Those seniors who do not meet the dress standard will not be permitted to participate in these events. **If you are not planning to participate in the ceremony, please notify the registrar, Mrs. Dudley at 630.784.7323, as soon as possible.**

MAY 24 - GREAT AMERICA DAY

Wheaton North Great America Day: Join your classmates as we take buses to Great America leaving at 8:00 a.m. and returning around 6:00. p.m. \$20.00 per student. Check with the Activities Office for more details and updates.

MAY 25 - COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY

The Commencement Ceremony will begin promptly at 3:00 p.m. on Saturday, May 25, 2019 at the Physical Education Center, College of DuPage. Seniors **must be properly dressed and present in the BIC building by 2:15 p.m.** Seniors who are not present when attendance is taken will not be permitted to participate in the Commencement ceremony. Parents should report to the Physical Education Center, College of DuPage. Doors open at 2:15 p.m. **Balloons are not permitted in the Physical Education Center.** At the conclusion of the ceremony, please meet your graduate in the MAC courtyard. **COD is a non-smoking campus.**

***COMMENCEMENT TICKETS**

Each family will receive seven tickets for the Commencement Ceremony. Tickets will be distributed with caps and gowns after the Senior Honors Assembly on May 23. All seven tickets will be for admission to the Physical Education Center.

***EXTRA TICKETS**

We have a limited number of extra tickets. Seniors requesting extra tickets must submit an unsealed envelope indicating the number of extra tickets needed. There is a maximum request of 2 additional tickets. On the front of the unsealed envelope indicate the student name, student ID #, number of tickets requested (1 or 2), parent email or phone number. Please bring the envelope to Mrs. Bischoff in the main office. Assume your request was filled unless notified otherwise. **Extra ticket requests received by May 21 will be distributed with caps and gowns after the Senior Honors Assembly on May 23.**

***HANDICAPPED SEATING**

Please complete the enclosed form and return to Mrs. Bischoff in the main office by Friday, May 17.

***PICTURES/VIDEO/LIVE STREAM**

Wheaton North has contracted with **GradImages** to take a picture of each graduate as he/she receives his/her diploma. Each graduate will receive, by mail, a colored proof picture along with an order form for additional pictures. In addition to individual pictures, the entire Commencement Ceremony will be recorded by **Video Events** and will be offered on DVD for \$25. Visit <http://mkt.com/videoevents/wnhs> to order your video now and for additional information. The Commencement Ceremony will also be streaming live on our website at www.wnhs.org.

***YEARBOOK DISTRIBUTION FOR 2019 GRADUATES ONLY**

The 2018-2019 **Yearbooks will be distributed on Thursday, August 15,** from 6:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. Pick-up will be in the cafeteria. Students should park in the northeast faculty parking lot and enter thru door #26. If you would like someone else to pick-up your book for you, please fill out the following form using your CUSD200 account: <https://goo.gl/forms/kDoMOsXP6cSZHG5j2>. Books will only be released if a form has been filled out. We will not take text messages. **NO EXCEPTIONS.**