

2026 SENIOR CLASS BULLETIN

Graduation is a solemn ceremony steeped in tradition. Appropriate dress and actions are required for your participation. Dress and behave with dignity.

PLEASE READ THIS BULLETIN CAREFULLY.

Contact Mr. Holley with questions regarding senior activities. This information can be found on the PHS website. nholley@psdschools.org (970) 488-6018

Monday, April 27th Decision Day 11:30 - 1:30 pm Counseling Office and Hallway

Tuesday, April 28th IB tests begin. NO BELLS FOR THE REST OF THE YEAR.

Thursday, May 7th Rose Ceremony 5:30 pm Commons.

Monday, May 11th Senior Sunset PHS Football Field 7:30 - 8:30 pm

Wednesday, May 13th **Deadline** for completion of the **SENIOR EXIT SURVEY**. Log into Xello - To Do List on the right side of page - Click May 22nd PSD Senior Exit Survey. Need this for the Senior Checkout Sheet

Wednesday, May 13th Senior Scholarship Luncheon. Time TBD Small Gym.

Thursday, May 14th **Check Out Sheets** for seniors will be available in the front office window across from the Events Center at 8:30 a.m. You cannot get your cap and gown until this process is complete.

Thursday, May 14th FFA Banquet 5:30 pm - 8:00 pm Small Gym

Monday, May 18th Senior Finals: B Day and Periods 1 & 2.

Monday, May 18th CAP/GOWN PICK UP in the Concession Stand during lunch.

Monday, May 18th – 21st Senior Grad Walks at Middle Schools. See posted times and PHS Website for times.

Monday, May 18th IB Convocation Practice 10:42 am – 12:12 pm Auditorium

Monday, May 18th IB Convocation 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm PHS Auditorium.

Monday, May 19th P-Tech Convocation 5:00 - 5:30 pm light snacks, 5:30 pm Formal Ceremony PHS Events Center

Tuesday, May 19th Senior Finals: A Day and Periods 3 & 4

Tuesday, May 19th CAP/GOWN PICK UP in the Concession Stand during lunch.

Wednesday, May 20th CAP/GOWN PICK UP in the Concession Stand from 9:00 am to 10:30 am.

Wednesday, May 20th Senior Class Convocation 10:30 am – 11:15 am Main Gym (*Meet in the small gym*).

Wednesday, May 20th Senior BBQ and Yearbooks will be distributed following Senior Convocation 11:15 am.

Wednesday, May 20th PHS Excellence in Athletics 6:00 p.m Auditorium

Friday, May 22nd **MANDATORY GRADUATION PRACTICE at CSU Moby Gym at 11:00 a.m.** Please be on the floor inside at Moby by 10:45 a.m. Attendance is required, roll is taken, and students that do not attend may be removed from the graduation marching list and may not be included in the ceremony

Please contact Mr. Holley if you absolutely cannot attend practice. nholley@psdschools.org

Friday, MAY 22nd PHS Graduation: CSU, Moby gym, 3:00 p.m.

Please arrive at 2:00 p.m. in your cap, gown, and tassel prepared to march. Line up in the lower halls. At 2:30 p.m. a staff member in your marching group will take roll and check for appropriate attire. Attendance will again be taken at 2:50 p.m. Graduates not accounted for after this time may have their diplomas pulled from the marching list. Students arriving after roll is taken may NOT be allowed to participate in the commencement ceremony! **It is SO important to arrive on time**

SEATING ASSIGNMENTS - The seating assignments for graduation practice and the graduation ceremony are the same. These assignments will be posted in the hallway across from the Counseling Office the week of graduation. You need to carefully check this posting for your name, side, row, seat location, and other important instructions. *Sorry, parents and students cannot request where a graduate is seated.*

CAP / GOWN / TASSEL - You are required to wear a cap, gown, & tassel at Commencement. They will be handed out beginning Monday, May 18th. You will need your **STAMPED checkout sheet** in order to get your cap and gown. Remember, you keep the cap, tassel, and the gown. **The Tassel** - The tassel is to be worn over the left temple. Tassels should never be pinned or sewed; they should be permitted to hang naturally. **The Gown** - If you need to press the gown, do so with a **warm iron, not a hot one!**

DRESS FOR GRADUATION: There can be no alterations, additions, or changes to your cap, gown, or tassel. Any changes or additions must be removed or fixed prior to walking, so please leave them in their original form. All graduation gowns will be blue. Dress boots are appropriate if they are polished. No flowers, ornaments, or any other decorations are to be worn with caps & gowns. Faculty will check your manner of dress, your caps, and your gowns before you march. ***This dress code is required!*** There will be no place to change or leave any garments at C.S.U. on Saturday.

PHOTOGRAPHS - There will be press and Graduation photographers on the floor during graduation. **We are not allowing any parents, friends, or relatives to photograph on the gym floor during commencement!** Because we have had difficulties with friends and relatives of graduates interrupting the flow of graduates going to and from the stage, as well as disconnecting wires of the sound systems, a professional photographer will take a picture of you receiving your diploma. A proof that you may keep for no charge, will be sent to you via email or mail. Flyers with contact information for the photographers will be handed out with the cap and gown.

ADA ACCESSIBLE SEATING - Handicapped seating is provided in the first two rows on the North and South sides of the gym. There will not be wheelchairs available to use at Moby Arena. A sign-language interpreter will be stationed in Section N on the South side of the gym.

COLLEGE APPLICATIONS - All students who have processed a college application must indicate, on the Senior Exit Survey, to which post-secondary institution they want their final transcript submitted.

VALEDICTORIANS and SALUTATORIAN – The final valedictorian and salutatorian recipients are determined at the end of fourth quarter. **The official valedictorian and salutatorian list may not be decided until May 19th.**

THE DEADLINE FOR ORDERING YOUR CAP AND GOWN HAS PASSED!!

If you did not purchase a cap/gown online, please see Mr. Holley! Jostens is providing PHS caps/gowns (970) 223-7119 ~ Lindsey Bellus, se habla español.

METAL DETECTORS AT MOBY AREA: This year CSU is requiring metal detectors (magnetometers) at all entrances for rehearsal and the ceremony. The process will be very similar to airport screening. Attendees will be asked to remove cell phones, keys, cameras, and any other large metal objects from their pockets before walking through the metal detectors. If the device alarms, the guest will be re-screened with a hand-held wand, with further security follow-up if needed. Please refer to CSU's clear bag policy for additional information. Concealed weapons permits are not allowed.