

CLASS OF 2021

GRADUATING SENIOR GUIDELINES

Graduation Practice – Graduation practice on Tuesday, May 25th, at 8:30am is mandatory. Students must be present for the duration of graduation practice.

Ceremony – The Class of 2021 graduation ceremony will be held on Wednesday, June 2nd 2021 at 7pm. The ceremony will be held in the CCHS stadium. Guests may enter the stadium starting at 6pm.

Graduates - Students may begin arriving at 5:30pm and must be checked in at the Cafeteria no later than 6:30pm. Do not wait until the last minute to arrive! Any student that has not checked by 6:30pm will not participate in the graduation ceremony. Students will enter the cafeteria entrance by the black gates. Gigante will take cap & gown photos of the graduates inside the cafeteria and then students will report to their assigned holding room in Building 4.

Guests – Each graduate will be permitted four (4) guests to attend the ceremony. There are no additional tickets available after the four guests. Two (2) guests may be designated to sit on the field with the graduate. The remaining two (2) guests will be seated in the home stands. All guests will enter the stadium through the stadium entry gate. Guests that will sit on the field must have a colored wrist band provided at the stadium entrance and must be seated by 6:45pm. Any guest that has not been seated on the field by 6:45pm will not be permitted onto the field and will view the ceremony from the stands. The Graduation ceremony will be live streamed through our Facebook page for families to enjoy. Please visit Cypress Creek High School @CypressCreekCoyotes to watch.

Students will designate their four guests in the Senior Survey on the Class of 2021 myLearning page by Wednesday, May 12th. Any changes to a student's guest list must be emailed to Mr. Copeland (rcopelan@pasco.k12.fl.us) prior to 3pm on Tuesday, June 1st. Changes will not be permitted on the day of Graduation, June 2nd.

Dress Code – Graduates must adhere to the following guidelines.

- Business casual attire.
- No shorts or sneakers are permitted.
- Shoes, at a minimum, should be business casual and appropriate to walk on the stadium field.
- The mortarboard (graduation cap) is to be worn flat with the tassel over the right eye. Mortarboards may be decorated within school dress code guidelines.
- Masks are required during the ceremony when standing or walking. Mask may be removed when seated.
- Graduation gown should be carried in your hand upon arrival to the cafeteria, and not be worn.

The school's administration shall determine the appropriateness of dress and appearance in accordance with the guidelines distributed by the school, and will make the decision whether a student's appearance meets school and community standards. The Principal's decision on the appropriateness of dress is final.

Parking – Students and guests should park in the staff/event parking on the cafeteria side of campus. Please note that there is no parking in the bus loop area adjacent to the stadium or in the grass anywhere. Additional parking is available at the Middle School, front office lot or in the student parking lot.

ABC Students – ABC students will report to the cafeteria stage after checking in. Mrs. Garrett will be on the stage to assist with ceremony preparation. Be advised that all items must be returned prior to receiving diploma.

Helpful Tips

- Hang up your gown to remove wrinkles. Follow care instructions provided.
- Ensure that you have your cap, tassel, and medallion prior to leaving home as there will not be any additional on hand.
- Write your name in permanent marker inside your cap.
- Tassels should be worn on the right side of the cap and the cap should not be tilted back.



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Graduates – Students may begin arriving at 5:30pm and must be checked in at the Cafeteria by 6:30pm. Any student that has not checked by 6:30pm will not participate in the graduation ceremony.

Guests – Each graduate will be permitted four (4) guests to attend the ceremony. There are no additional tickets available after the four guests. Two (2) guests may be designated to sit on the field with the graduate. The remaining two (2) guests will be seated in the home stands. Children younger than school-age do not require a ticket and may sit in laps. Children 6 years of age or older require a ticket to enter Graduation. The Graduation ceremony will be live streamed through our Facebook page for families to enjoy. Please visit Cypress Creek High School @CypressCreekCoyotes to watch.

Graduates will designate their guests through the Mandatory Senior Survey on the Class of 2021 myLearning page. Any person not designated as a guest will not be permitted to enter the stadium or remain in the parking lot.

All guests will enter the stadium through the stadium entry gate. Guests are required to follow all Pasco County Event Security guidelines. Please take special note of the bag policy.

- *Only bags that are clear plastic and/or vinyl, or Ziploc bags, are permitted inside an event venue. No other bags of any kind are permitted; this includes purses, backpacks, fanny packs and duffle bags. An exception will be made for medically necessary items, diaper bags, and camera cases. However, these bags will be subject to search prior to entry, unless the item meets the clear bag guidelines.*

Stadium Seating – Guests will only be permitted to sit in the home stands. Guests sitting in the stands must remain seated at all times. Standing at fence lines or in the bleachers will not be permitted. Signs and noise makers will not be permitted.

Field Seating – Designated guests that will sit on the field must wear the colored wrist band provided at the stadium entrance and must be seated by 6:45pm. Guests seated on the field will be escorted to their seat. Any guest that has not been seated on the field by 6:45pm will not be permitted onto the field and will view the ceremony from the stands.

*All field guests should use the restroom prior to 6:45pm. The ceremony will begin promptly at 7pm and guests on the field will not be permitted to leave the field until the conclusion of the ceremony.
(Approximately one hour)

After the Ceremony – At the conclusion of the ceremony, graduates will return to their assigned holding rooms to retrieve diplomas. Guests may reunite with graduates outside the black gates located by the cafeteria. There will be photo opportunities with Carmine the Coyote and CCHS backdrops. Guest are not permitted inside the black gates and graduates will not be allowed reentry.