



Heritage High School Road to Graduation

Class of 2023



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■ **CONGRATULATIONS CLASS OF 2023!!**





Congratulations Seniors!

- This information will be shared via email with all seniors and parents.
- Congratulations on making it this far! But, it's not over yet! Finish strong Jaguars! As of TODAY you have 41 days of school left!
- Video:
 - [FINISH STRONG VIDEO](#) (3:32)





Project Graduation Activities

- **Senior Breakfast**

- Monday, April 10th at 10:00 am - Midlothian Conference Center

- **Senior Blast - CANCELLED**

- Saturday, April 1st at 11:00 am - Crossroads Christian Church-Grand Prairie, Texas

- **Senior Sunset**

- Friday, May 5th, Specific Location TBD

- **Senior All Night Event**

- Sunday, May 20th, Midnight - 4:00am (Graduation day)- Showbiz in Waxahachie

- **Additional Information:**

- Students must be registered with Project Graduation to attend.





Baccalaureate Ceremony

- **Sunday, May 7th: Time 4:30 pm**
- Location: First Baptist Church of Midlothian
- This event will honor HHS and MHS graduates.
- Baccalaureate is a student led, religiously based service honoring the graduating class.
- Graduates wear their graduation gowns & stoles for the ceremony.
- During the service, graduates will hear from their peers and respected leaders in the religious community.
- Participation in this event is optional.
- If you would like to help plan the event or have questions, please contact Macie Wimbish, Austin Craft, Dylan Riggins, Elijah Mankins or Kerry Scott.





Heritage Scholarship & Awards Night

- **Wednesday, May 17th at 6:30pm**
- Location: Heritage High School Cafeteria
- A special evening to honor any senior who has been awarded a scholarship or special award.
- If you want to be honored you **MUST** send the scholarship award letter or official documentation showing the award or scholarship by **May 6th** to Mrs. Thomas.
- Please submit all your scholarships to Mrs. Thomas via the following link:

[Heritage High School Scholarship Form](#)





THE BIG DAY!

- **Saturday, May 20th: GRADUATION DAY!**
 - Seniors, we want you to represent yourself, your family, your class, your school, and your community with pride, respect, and class. We want nothing to take away from the quality of YOUR graduation.
 - Do not bring your phone (or anything else) on stage.
 - Do not bring beach balls, silly string, confetti poppers, etc. We will have teachers on each row to watch carefully.
 - Do not decorate your cap or wear any unapproved stoles, cords, medals, etc. on the day of graduation.





Arrival Information: Saturday 5/20

- **3:00 pm:** Seniors will arrive at the Heritage gym and check in. **Eat a meal before arrival**
- Graduates should have everything that is needed for graduation with them when they arrive at the gym.
- **3:20 pm:** Buses will leave from HHS for the Mansfield Center for Performing Arts to take all graduates to the ceremony.
- Seniors will rehearse upon arrival, and then we will settle into the holding room. No family or guests are allowed in the holding room. We will have water, music playing, and a slideshow in the holding room.
- **6:00pm:** Doors open for family and guests to find their seats.
- **After the Ceremony:** Most graduates will leave the facility with family members, but if you need a ride back to Heritage after the ceremony, please tell Mrs. Madison by Thurs. May 18.





What to Bring To Graduation

- Cap/Gown/Stole on a hanger. Be sure you have your tassel!
- NHS stole, approved cords & Val or Sal Medal (if applicable).
- Every senior will be given a gallon sized ziplock bag with your name on it at the last rehearsal at HHS. All of your needed belongings must fit into that bag. The holding room will not be open after the graduation ceremony. We will have the bags available for pick up after the ceremony is completed.





Graduate Attire

- Graduates should dress in “Sunday Best” attire.
 - Dresses.
 - Dark Pants / White collared shirt.
 - Comfortable shoes. If you wear heels, it is recommended to wear a wedge heel.
 - Full graduation regalia.





Graduation Regalia

- **IMPORTANT**: If you have not yet paid for the graduation regalia (cap,gown,stole & tassel), please go to:

HERITAGE JOSTENS STORE

- The total is \$65.00 and includes cap, gown, stole and tassel. There are multiple package options for you to choose from.

[IF YOU JUST WANT THE BASIC PACKAGE CLICK HERE](#)





Graduation Regalia

- Full Heritage Graduation Regalia:
 - Cap, Gown, Stole, Tassel
 - Students are not permitted to decorate/personalize caps.
 - Approved Honor Cords:
 - White Cord for Performance Acknowledgement/Distinguished Graduates
 - Gold Cord for Honor Graduates (Top 10%)
 - NHS Stole for National Honor Society Members
 - Navarro Associates Degree
 - Val & Sal Medals
 - Additional Honor Cords/Stoles
 - Graduates may wear any items to personal parties or for personal photographs.
 - Permission must be granted to wear additional items during the graduation ceremony.
 - [MISD Graduation Regalia Special Request Form.](#)
 - **Deadline: Friday, April 14**





Student Speakers at Graduation

- Per Board Policy, there are 4 student speakers at Graduation:
 - Valedictorian
 - Salutatorian
 - Opening Speaker
 - Closing Speaker
- Policy states that graduating Student Council Officers and Senior Class Officers are eligible speakers for opening & closing, and that the speakers are not eligible to speak more than once in the ceremony.
- The opening and closing speakers are selected by random drawing (per policy).



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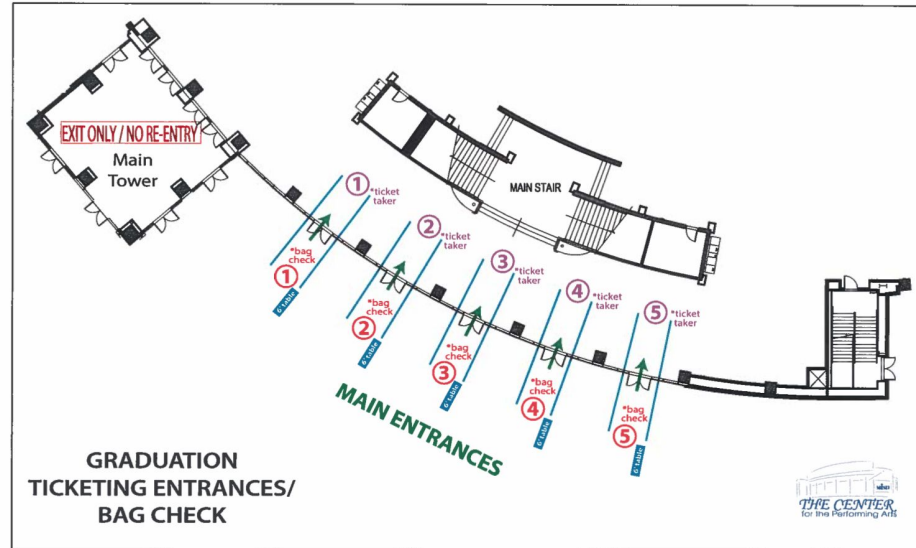


Mansfield Center for the Performing Arts

- CLIMATE-CONTROLLED INDOOR VENUE
- GOLF CARTS AVAILABLE FOR ELDERLY & DISABLED
 - DOORS OPEN ONE HOUR IN ADVANCE
- TICKETING INFORMATION WILL BE PROVIDED SOON
- PLENTIFUL DISABLED SEATING ACCOMMODATIONS



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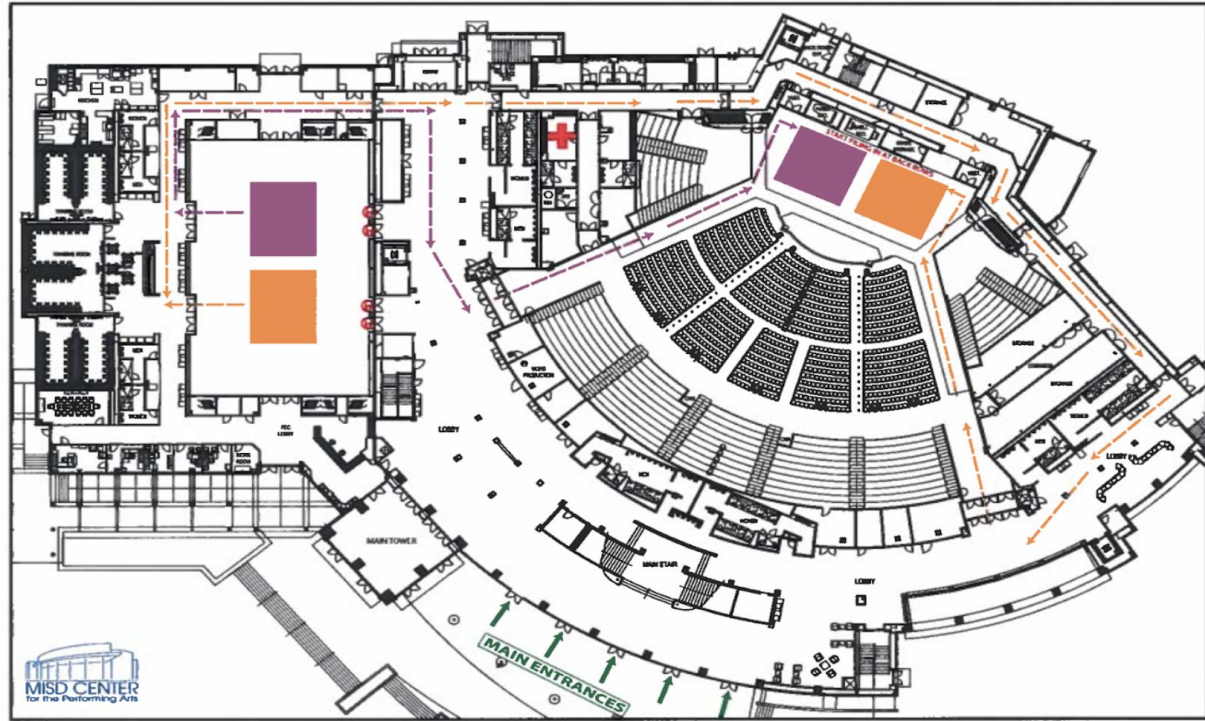
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Ticketing for Graduation Ceremony

- We will be distributing tickets to graduates on **Friday, May 5th** during lunches in the Jaguar Lobby by the main office.
- Each graduate will randomly select a bundle of **12 tickets in an envelope**. All graduates have an equal opportunity to select each bundle of tickets.
- HHS staff will document which tickets were selected. In the event that someone loses their tickets, please contact Amanda Thomas- amanda.thomas@misd.gs
- The ceremony will also be available to view for free via livestream.
- Extra tickets may be requested with the completion of the Google form below. The extra tickets will not be next to the original 12 bundled tickets.
- THIS FORM MUST BE COMPLETED BY THE GRADUATE FROM HIS/HER MISD GOOGLE ACCOUNT.
 - **DEADLINE: Friday, April 14**
 - [HHS Graduation Extra Ticket Request Form](#)



Sample Ticket



Back Of Ticket

Guests admission to The Center auditorium 1 hour prior to graduation start time.

To limit distractions during ceremony, please arrive to the venue prior to the start of event.

Every person, regardless of age, must have a ticket.

Overflow seating will be available for guests without tickets.

All seating is assigned; saving seats will not be allowed.

Strollers, wheelchairs and walkers should not block aisles and pathways.

No hired video or photography allowed.

No flowers, balloons, noise-makers or air horns allowed.

Food and drink will not be allowed in The Center before, during, or after graduation.

In preparation for the next graduation, students and families will not be allowed to re-enter The Center after exiting.

All graduates will meet their families on the outside of the venue at the conclusion of each ceremony.





Special Seating Requests

DEADLINE: Friday, April 14

Graduation Day Special Seating Request Form

- You can request special seating for guests who are in a wheelchair or who have a physical disability. This request will give wheelchair accessibility within your bundle of 12 tickets.
- Also, you can use the form above to let us know if you have other special family situations that may influence how your tickets are distributed (twins, split families, etc). These requests will not change the total number (12) of tickets in your original bundle.
- Requests for special seating should be made by completing the Google form above.





Flowers & Gifts For The Graduate

- Flowers and other gifts for the graduate may be pre-ordered for pick up at the ceremony! This makes for great photos and is simple and convenient!
 - <https://www.thecommencementgroup.com/midlothian-heritage-hs/>
 - These items will be available for pick up immediately following the ceremony since they are not allowed inside of the venue.

BEAUTIFUL BOUQUETS

Available for purchase at the Midlothian Heritage High School Graduation!

PRE-ORDER BELOW & PICK UP YOUR ORDER ON GRADUATION DAY!

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www.thecommencementgroup.com/midlothian-heritage-hs/



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- **Wednesday, March 22nd**
 - Senior meeting @ 9:30 am.
- **Wednesday, March 29th**
 - Regalia & announcement delivery during lunch in the Jaguar lobby.
- **Monday, April 10th**
 - Senior Breakfast at Midlothian Conference Center.
- **Friday, April 14th**
 - Deadline for special seating, extra tickets, and additional regalia requests.
- **Saturday, April 15th**
 - Mr. Jaguar in the HHS Cafe
- **Saturday, April 22nd**
 - Prom at The Sheraton Dallas





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- **Sunday, May 1st: CANCELLED**
 - Senior Blast, 1-5pm at Midlothian Community Park
- **Friday, May 5th**
 - Graduation ticket distribution during lunches in the Jaguar Lobby by the main office.
 - Honor Cords and NHS Stoles will be delivered at this time.
 - Scholarship information due to Mrs. Thomas.
- **Sunday, May 7th- 4:30 pm**
 - Baccalaureate Ceremony- First Baptist Church- Midlothian
- **Thursday, May 11th**
 - MEF "Showcase of Stars" for top 5% graduates at The MILE





IMPORTANT DATES

- **Friday, May 12th**
 - All students must have completed their course requirements for all credits and any attendance recovery owed by this date.
- **Monday, May 15th - Wednesday May 17th**
 - Senior final exams.
- **Wednesday, May 17th - 6:30 pm**
 - Senior Scholarship & Awards Night-Heritage Cafe
- **Friday, May 19th - 4:00 pm**
 - Any student who has not completed their course requirements for all credits and any attendance recovery owed by this date will not participate in the graduation ceremony.





IMPORTANT DATES-Senior Week

- **Monday, May 15th**
 - Regular School Day- Exam during 4th period
- **Tuesday, May 16th**
 - Regular School Day- Exams during 5th, 6th and 7th periods
- **Wednesday, May 17th**
 - Regular School Day- Exams during 1st, 2nd & 3rd periods
 - Likely: Senior Meeting during 5th & 6th periods
- **Thursday, May 18th**
 - Class Photo, Senior Walks, Senior Stations
- **Friday, May 19th**
 - CB turn in, graduation rehearsal, senior survey & final meeting





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- **Sat. May 20th: GRADUATION DAY!**

- 3:00 pm All graduates should be at the Heritage gym with all things needed for graduation.
 - Dress in Sunday Best (dresses, dark pants, comfortable shoes).
 - Be sure you have full graduation regalia (cap/gown/stole/tassel/approved honor cords)
- 3:20 pm: Graduates will load buses and transport to the Mansfield Center for the Performing Arts.
- 6:00 pm: Doors open for guests to find their seats
- 7:00 pm: Graduation Ceremony will begin.
- Midnight - 4am: Project Graduation All Night Event at Showbiz in Waxahachie

- **Summer 2022**

- Seniors pick up diploma & cap from HHS main office.
- 7:30am - 4:30pm, Mon - Thurs during the month of June.





IMPORTANT DATES

- **Thursday May 18th**
- 8:45am: Arrive at gym for Class of 2023 Photo and cohort photos & Senior Walks at elementary schools.
 - Bring your full regalia: cap/gown/stole/tassel/approved honor cords
 - Please wear neutral colored shoes for the photo.
- **Friday May 19th**
 - 8:45am: Senior meeting in cafeteria for final transcript form and graduation overview.
 - Graduation Rehearsal
 - Chromebook/charger return & exit survey prior to being released early this day.





Senior Elementary Walks

- **Thursday, May 18th - FULL SCHOOL DAY**
- 8:45am: Report to Competition Gym & Check In for Attendance Purposes
- Arrive at Heritage for Class of 2023 Photo & Senior Walks at elementary schools.
 - Bring your full regalia: cap/gown/tassel/approved honor cords
- Students will be bused from HHS, to elementary campuses, back to HHS arena
 - Students participating in the walk need to ride the buses provided.
- Seniors will attend lunch & return to the gym for senior rotation stations of required tasks

**THIS FORM MUST BE SUBMITTED DURING THE
SENIOR MEETING TODAY!!!**

Senior Walks at Elementary
Schools: Class of 23

SHORT URL:

<https://bit.ly/3Iwoppi>

QR CODE:



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Google Form Links

- [2023 HHS Special Seating Request](#) (Due April 14th)
- [HHS Extra Tickets Request](#) (Due April 14th)
- [Additional Regalia Request Form](#) (Due April 14th)
- [HHS Scholarship Reporting Form](#) (Due May 6th)
- [The Commencement Group-Flowers & Gifts](#)
- [Live Stream Link](#)





Final Senior Survey!

- This slideshow will be added to the Senior tab on the Counselor Page of the Heritage Website.
- All seniors need to complete this Mandatory Final Senior Survey by

Friday, April 1:

- 2022 Senior Survey ??????????



