

It's almost here - GRADUATION

The following is a list of upcoming senior events:

- > CAPS AND GOWNS DISTRIBUTION: Friday, May 20th during both lunches in the cafeteria.
- > **SENIOR ORAL PRESENTATIONS:** Wednesday, May 25th from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. When the schedule is posted, be sure to check for your assigned time.
- ➤ **SENIOR DEPARTMENT AWARDS:** Wednesday, June 1st at 2:00 p.m. in the RAL Auditorium. This is a social time for parents and seniors to visit with faculty and friends. Dress should be appropriate for an afternoon spring reception. At the end of the awards program, there will be refreshments in the front hallway.
- ➤ **SENIORS VS. STAFF SOFTBALL and BBQ:** Thursday, June 2nd from 2:45 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Sign-ups to participate will take place in the ASB Office sometime in May. Please listen for updates during announcements. Parents, families and students are encouraged to come and support the RAL seniors and staff.
- ➤ **SENIOR AWARDS ASSEMBLY:** Friday, June 3rd be there at 8:30 a.m. in the RAL Auditorium. Many community representatives will be presenting scholarships and awards to seniors. This assembly is held during the school day to allow all students to attend. Parents are welcome to attend.
- > **SENIOR PROM:** Saturday, June 4th from 9:00 p.m. to midnight at The Expo Center.
- ➤ **THANK YOU NOTES:** Monday, June 6th at 12:30 p.m. (5th period) in the Library. If you received a scholarship from the Senior Awards Assembly, please come and complete your thank you note that was in the envelope you were given. This time is set for seniors who received a scholarship at the Senior Awards Assembly, however, if you have received ANY scholarship funds from any organization, it is important to thank them for their generosity and you are welcome to attend. To write a thank you note shows respect and gratitude to all the people who make it possible for you to continue with your future goals. If you would like blank note cards and envelopes, there will be some available in the Guidance Office.
- ➤ **SENIORS VS. STAFF BOWLING**: Monday, June 6th from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the Triangle Bowl. Please listen for updates during announcements. Parents, families and students are encouraged to come and support the RAL seniors and staff.
- ➤ **GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS:** All graduation requirements must be passed by noon on Wednesday, June 8th and all fines must be cleared or you will not be allowed to participate in the graduation ceremony.
- ➤ **SENIOR CHECK-OUT:** Wednesday, June 8th starting 6th period, you will be given a check-out sheet. Check-out will continue the next day, Thursday, June 9th (periods 1st through 5th). Final clearance is 1:30 p.m. in the cafeteria.
- ➤ **BACCALAUREATE:** Thursday June 9th at 7:00 p.m. in the RAL Auditorium. This is a religious service sponsored by the Longview Ministerial Association honoring the graduating seniors. Wear your gowns (but not your cap) and meet in the auditorium at 6:15 p.m. This is a formal affair.
- ➤ **GRAD WALK:** Friday, June 10th at 10:00 a.m. Wear your cap and gown.

- ➤ **COMMENCEMENT PRACTICE:** Friday, June 10th at 1:00 p.m. report **promptly!** Commencement practice is at the stadium.
- > CAR RALLY (PARENT SPONSORED EVENT): Friday, June 10th at 7:00 p.m.
- > SENIOR SUNSET (PARENT SPONSORED EVENT): Friday, June 10th to follow the Car Rally.
- ➤ **COMMENCEMENT:** Saturday, June 11th at 10:00 a.m. at the Longview Memorial Stadium. Black or dark shoes are preferred. Be seated in the north stands by 9:30 a.m. The public will be seated in the stadium. Handicapped seating is available below the stadium. No tickets are needed.
- > DIPLOMAS: Pick up your actual diploma right after the graduation ceremony in the annex (soccer room) behind the stadium (you will be handed an empty diploma cover during the graduation ceremony).
- ➤ FREE GRADUATION PARTY (PARENT SPONSORED EVENT): Saturday, June 11th from 10:00 p.m. 6:00 a.m. at the YMCA.
- FINAL TRANSCRIPTS: During the week of June 22nd, final transcripts will be forwarded to colleges/universities. To have your final transcript sent to your college/university, please be sure to complete a request form with Dianne Morrow in the Guidance Office.
- ➤ AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS: Be sure you keep us posted on any awards, honors or scholarships you receive (even those you turn down). We like to recognize seniors who have received awards and scholarships and will print these in the commencement program. Forward your scholarship information to Dianne Morrow (dmorrow@longview.k12.wa.us). Deadline to submit information for the commencement insert is Wednesday, June 1st.
- ➤ RAL SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS: If you receive an RAL Scholarship, you will need to provide your 1st quarter college grades and college student ID number to Jaimie Barchus in the ASB Office in order for her to send your RAL Scholarship funds to the college/university. Instructions will be provided in a letter that you will receive upon notification of receiving an RAL scholarship.
- CAPS AND GOWNS <u>IF YOU HAVEN'T ORDERED YET</u>, please contact Royal-T Herff Jones as soon as possible. Their contact information is: website <u>www.highschool.herffjones.com</u>; phone 360-254-7870 or email <u>info@royaltpapers.com</u>

Finally, we really hope you enjoy these upcoming senior events. Your high school experience is coming to a close and we hope these activities will allow you to celebrate your success and take with you some good final memories.

Congratulations!