..Class of 2025

TO: All Seniors

FROM: Ms. Gregory and Ms. Hull, Senior Class Advisors

DATE: April 2025

RE: Graduation Dates and Activities

The following dates and times are important for participation in commencement exercises. Please contact employers now to make necessary arrangements. These dates and times are school days, and you are responsible for them. See the <u>CLASS OF 2025</u> page on the Jackson High School website with questions, or contact Jackson High School at 330-837-3501.

Ms. Gregory (ext. 1505 or lad3jc@jackson.sparcc.org)

Ms. Hull (ext. 1117 or gkd2jc@jackson.sparcc.org)

Thursday, April 24, 2025: Summa Celebration 6:30 pm JCPA

Saturday, May 3, 2025: Prom at MAPS Air Museum! 8:15 pm to 11:15 pm followed by After Prom

at JHS 10:30 pm to 1:00 am

Tuesday, May 13, 2025: Senior Treat Day! (in Commons in front of concession stand)

Thursday, May 15, 2025: Senior Slideshow (JCPA) and Community Service Day

Friday, May 16, 2025: Senior Exams (Monday, May 19: make-up exams)

Thursday, May 22, 2025: Cap and Gown Distribution (Aux. Gym 2)

- 9-11am Last Names A-M
- 12-2pm Last Names N-Z

Thursday, May 22, 2025: Senior Awards Ceremony @6:00pm in JCPA (by invitation only)

8th period rehearsal for all students involved

Friday, May 23, 2025: Elementary-JMMS Tour & Graduation Rehearsal [There is no parking at JMMS]

- 10:15am Seniors arrive at JHS to pick up bus ride
- 10:30am Busses leave JHS for elementary schools
- 10:40-11:10am Elementary school walkthroughs
- 11:20am Busses leave for JMMS
- 11:30-11:50 Senior parade through JMMS
- 12:00 pm Mandatory rehearsal for all students participating in the ceremony

Saturday, May 24, 2025: Graduation Day! Robert Fife Stadium

• 5:00 pm ceremony [Seniors arrive at JMMS Purple Gym at 3:30pm]

If there is inclement weather, we would delay the ceremony. Worst-case scenario: we would have a rain date for graduation on Sunday, May 25, at 2 p.m.

To receive Class of 2025 Remind messages, text @jhsbears24 to 81010. Any questions?? Contact Ms. Gregory or Ms. Hull KEEP CALM and GRADUATE

Reminders:

- 1. Be sure you have a clear record with all of your teachers and with the TLC. All SCHOOL FEES must be paid before you can receive your cap and gown on May 22.
- 2. If you work, make arrangements early with your employer to be off for practice and graduation activities.
- 3. Practice is **REQUIRED!** Out of fairness to all seniors, everyone must be present and on time to avoid confusion. The sooner we get started, the sooner we finish. Attendance will be checked at practice. Missing practice will prevent your participation in commencement exercises. Tardiness could prevent you from participating.
- 4. Any member of the class under the influence of illicit or controlled substances or any chemical/substance will not participate in practice or commencement.
- 5. All regular school rules apply during the above-outlined activities. Failure to comply with school rules will result in exclusion from practice and commencement.
- 6. **All** electronic devices, such as iPods and cell phones, must be off and out of sight during practice and commencement.
- 7. Attire for practice must be in accordance with Jackson High School's Dress Code policy. Those in violation will not participate in practice or commencement. <u>Graduates do not need to bring gowns to practice</u>.
- 8. Attire for Senior Awards Night and Commencement should be in accordance with a semi-formal occasion. When selecting your attire, please remember that the yearbook, JLSD social media, and family photos will be taken this evening. Iron your gown; use *a low temperature* so the gown will not melt.

*NO SPIKED HIGH HEELS MAY BE WORN ON THE FOOTBALL FIELD

*BOXED/CHUNKY HEELS ARE ACCEPTABLE (if you have questions about your shoes, see Ms. Gregory or Ms. Hull).

- 9. Lifetouch Studios will be taking pictures of the graduates as they receive their diploma. The commencement program will provide ordering information. Questions should be directed to Lifetouch Studios at 330-497-1291.
- 10. Graduation Tickets: Each member of the Class of 2025 will receive an email on Monday, May 12, with a link to our Hometown ticketing system and you will be able to acquire up to 10 tickets at no charge. The student's nine-digit identification will be used as the passcode. Tickets can be downloaded from May 13 at 7:45am until May 16 at 2pm.
 - a. Is it possible to get more than ten tickets?
 - 1. While we cannot guarantee extra tickets will be available, should they be, your senior will receive an emailed Google Form for extra ticket requests on Monday, May 19. Extra ticket requests will close on Thursday, May 22, at noon. Extra ticket requests should be reasonable and will be distributed first-come, first-served.

To ensure you have the best view of your graduate, consider where they will be sitting. This lineup is **tentative** and subject to change.

- a. Home Side: Senior Class Officers and Graduates A-Landis
- b. Away Side: Graduates Langston-Z
- c. All guests should be seated in the stands. NO GUEST should be standing along the rail to the field once the ceremony begins.

PLEASE NOTE: There will be **NO PROGRAMS DISTRIBUTED AT THE GATES** on graduation day. Seniors will receive two physical programs on the day of graduation rehearsal. A QR code to access digital versions of the program will be on the back of it, on the Class of 2025 website, and projected on the scoreboard at graduation.

Handicap Seating Only on the home side of Robert Fife Stadium is handicap seating available, mirroring our athletic events at Fife.

Non-Participation

For the ceremony to be accurately planned, it is important to know which students will not be participating. If you are not interested in participating in commencement, please complete the attached form and return it by **Friday**, **May 2**, to the main office.

Graduation Non-Participation Form

Parking/Traffic Information for Graduation

*GUESTS are STRONGLY encouraged to follow Arlington Road to Mudbrook and enter at Sauder to park (the rear JMMS entrance will be blocked off).

- 1. SENIORS will be provided a parking pass if they plan to drive to graduation
- 2. SENIORS with a parking pass MUST park on the east side of JMMS (purple gym side)
- 3. SENIORS being dropped off should be dropped off in the front turnaround of JMMS (east side)
- 4. HANDICAP GUESTS (with Ohio official handicap tag) may park on the east (purple gym) side until lot is full
 - a. Remaining handicap parking will be on the west (Sauder) side of JMMS as directed by parking attendants.
- 5. **ALL GUESTS** are expected to **enter at Sauder** and park on the west (Sauder) side of JMMS (as we do for our football games)
 - a. There will be Jackson Police directing traffic before and after the ceremony
 - b. After the ceremony, all guests will be directed to the west (towards Arlington Road only)
- 6. To help with the traffic flow, we ask that you follow the map below.

