

Performance Learning Center - 2025 Graduation & Other Information

1. Cap & Gown Picture:

- o Students will be issued an appointment time (**see enclosed handout**) to be photographed at the PLC on March 21, 2025, by LifeTouch in cap & gown. The cap, gown and tassel will be provided by LifeTouch for the picture. You don't need to bring your cap & gown for the picture.

2. Legislative Luncheon (Seniors & Early Graduates):

- o Seniors and Early Graduates will enjoy lunch, and they will have the opportunity to connect with leaders from our county and state on April 16, 2025, from 11:15 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. This is a dress for success event (student should be dressed in business casual attire). Several students will have the opportunity to speak about their journey from traditional education to the PLC and the crucial role that the PLC has played in their success. Please contact Ms. Stancil if you have questions about this event.
- o If you are an Early Graduate and plan to attend, please email Ms. Stancil (robin.stancil@cabarrus.k12.nc.us) by March 24, 2025.

3. Return of Chromebook/Charger & Pay Fees:

- o Students must return chromebook, charger and pay fees prior to walking at our Graduation Ceremony. Questions about return of chromebook and charger, and other fees (chromebook damage, lunch, parking, etc.) should be directed to Ms. Stancil.

4. Senior Student Celebration:

- o Student Celebration will be held at the PLC on May 2, 2025, from 12:30 pm until 2:00 pm.

5. Senior Exit Survey:

- o All graduating seniors must complete the Senior Exit Survey with Ms. Rubbino. If you should have any questions, please email maghen.rubbino@cabarrus.k12.nc.us or contact Ms. Rubbino by phone at (704) 260-6804.

6. Dress Code – Graduate Attire for Graduation:

- o Plan for something that is dignified. Be sure the clothes fit well without being tight, too short, or too baggy. If you are not dressed appropriately, you will be sent home until proper attire is obtained. You do not want this to happen so please plan accordingly. If you anticipate a financial burden with the dress code, please contact Ms. Stancil at (704)260-6800 so we can try to help you.

Dress Code – Graduate Attire:

- o All students will wear cap & gown to participate in the graduation ceremony.
- o Decorated hats WILL NOT be allowed.
- o Each school should have extra caps in the event someone shows up with a decorated hat.
- o Students needing to wear attire for religious beliefs will be permitted upon request to the school administration. An example of this would be wearing a hijab or a dress that covers the ankles.

☐ **For students wearing a dress:**

• Dress:

- o School dress code appropriate; color and pattern must not be obscene, fluorescent, or be able to be seen through the gown.

• Skirt/Blouse

- o Business Casual—a colored skirt that follows the same criteria above and a solid white dress shirt.
- o The skirt/dress must not be longer than your gown, not show at the top of your gown, and be no more than 3 inches above the knee
- o School-appropriate dresses must have straps at least 2 inches across the shoulder. (No strapless gowns)
- o A white collar attached to the gown is permissible if desired.
- o Prom/party dresses, evening wear, and sundresses are not appropriate for graduation.

- Shoes
 - o Dark-colored or neutral shoes. Sandals with a heel strap are permitted.
 - o Graduates wearing Flip Flops or Tennis Shoes will not be allowed to participate in graduation.
 - o High heels are permissible but remember that you will be doing a lot of walking and climbing up and down stairs.
- **For students wearing slacks and a shirt:**
- Shirt
 - o Plain, white dress shirt with white collar; polo shirts are NOT appropriate for graduation.
- Pants
 - o Solid dark or khaki dress slacks (no cargo pockets). Jeans, shorts, and other non-dress pants are not appropriate for graduation.
- Shoes
 - o Solid black, navy, brown, or tan dress shoes
 - o Sneakers/tennis shoes, flip-flops, sandals, boots, and other non-dress shoes are not appropriate for graduation.
 - o Boat shoes are permissible if leather and unscuffed.
- Socks
 - o Socks are required with all shoes. Designs are acceptable if worn under pants and must not be obscene.
- Tie
 - o All ties are acceptable; however, the visible part (knot and inch below) must be an appropriate solid color. If the tie has a design or pattern on the lower section, it may not be seen.

7. **Graduation “DRESS” Rehearsal – Tuesday, May 20, 2025:**

- o We will hold our Graduation Dress Rehearsal at the Cabarrus Arena & Events Center at 3:00 p.m. on 5/20/25.
- o Graduates are to be at the back entrance of the Cabarrus Arena & Events Center by 2:45 p.m.
- o You **MUST ATTEND** the Graduation Rehearsal to walk at the Graduation Ceremony.
- o This is a “**Dress Rehearsal**” which means that you must dress in your graduation attire (which includes clothing mentioned under dress code - graduate attire) and bring your cap & gown.
- o **Please Note:** Parents will not be allowed to enter the arena for graduation rehearsal with students.

8. **Graduation Ceremony – Wednesday, May 21, 2025:**

- o We will hold our Graduation Ceremony in the Cabarrus Arena & Events Center at 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 21, 2025. There is no charge for the ceremony and tickets **are not** required for admission.
- o Graduation will begin promptly at 5:00 p.m. on May 21, 2025.
- o Graduates are to be at the back entrance of the Cabarrus Arena & Events Center by 4:00 p.m.
- o Doors will open to the public at 4:00 p.m.
- o Seating will be on a first come first served basis. You **will not** be allowed to save seats.

The arena is large and can accommodate as many guests as you can invite. Please sit close (if possible) to help create a more intimate setting.

9. Graduation Pictures:

- o LifeTouch will be taking pictures at Graduation. LifeTouch will send information about ordering pictures to parent email in PowerSchool.

If you have questions about any information listed, please email robin.stancil@cabarrus.k12.nc.us (or) call (704) 260-6800 to speak with Ms. Stancil.