

Vermilion High School



*Class of 2026
Senior/Parent Information
Handbook*

Senior Pictures:

**Deadline to order your Senior Yearbook from
Walsworth at yearbookforever.com:
April 30, 2026**

**Senior Yearbook Photos by Cavanaugh
Photography:**

**Senior Photo Day: TBD- 7:00am - 11:00pm in the
VHS Gymnasium**

- A signup link will be emailed home to all seniors as well as posted in the announcements during the month of January.
- The time slots from 7:00-7:30 will be reserved for EHOVE seniors.

If a Senior misses Senior Photo day, there are a few options for having their yearbook photo(s) taken at the Cavanaugh Photography studio.

The in-studio options are as follows:

- Yearbook Only Headshot, Free: No retouching

- Yearbook Plus, \$25- Multiple outfits, student choice, and retouching
- 1 hour Session - \$50 - Unlimited shots for 1 hour, student choice, retouching.

To schedule an in-studio session:

- Visit: <https://cavanaughphoto.com>, Click “Seniors”, Click “Contact Us”
- Complete the contact form.
- In the box "description of your desired session." List the type of session you would like.

**Deadline to be photographed by Cavanaugh
Photography: Friday, March 13, 2026**

**Deadline to choose the photo you want to be in the
yearbook: April 7, 2026**

- The instructions and information needed to choose your photo will be sent via email.

Cavanaugh Photography
587 West Bagley Rd.
Berea, OH 44017
info@cavanaughphoto.com
(440) 973-4390

Senior Quote

Deadline: April 1, 2026

Submit your senior quote via email to
VHSyearbook@sailornet.org

- Quotes should not be longer than approximately 120 characters in length (including spaces). **No emojis will be printed.**
- Quotes must be appropriate for publication.
- Quotes used to malign or harm others will not be accepted. Quotes containing profanity or innuendo will not be accepted.
- The determination that a quote is not appropriate is at the discretion of the yearbook adviser.
- You may credit your quote to a source or leave it anonymous.

Deadline to order yearbooks: April 30, 2026

VHS Cap, Gown, & Announcement Information

Caps and gowns for all seniors at Vermilion High School will be ordered online and delivered to the VHS main office. Students will be notified when they arrive. All payments will be made online directly to Jostens. **NO** payments for caps and gowns will be made in the Vermilion High School Main Office.

jostens.com

or call — 1-800-JOSTENS

JOSTENS INFORMATION WILL BE ALSO PROVIDED IN EMAIL UPDATES, IN THE SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS, OR POSTED AT THE DISTRICT WEBSITE

- When you go to the Jostens website you need to follow these directions for ordering!

<https://tinyurl.com/vhscapgowninfo>

**September 11, 2025: VHS Senior Class Meeting
7:50 AM**

Class ring and senior product order taking will be done online (see above for where to go). A student may drop off their order packet to the office if they choose and our Jostens representative will pick it up if needed.

**March 25, 2026: VHS Senior product delivery
during lunches; 10:30am - 1:00pm**

EHOVE Cap, Gown, & Announcement Information

Caps and gowns for all seniors at Vermilion High School will be ordered online and delivered to the EHOVE main office. Students will be notified when they arrive. All payments will be made online directly to Jostens. **NO** payments for caps and gowns will be made in the Vermilion High School Main Office or the EHOVE main office.

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- EHOVE class meetings are on October 29, 2025

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- Cap and Gown delivery on April 22, 2026

Senior/Student Board

All Seniors, as well as underclassmen as the year progresses, are welcomed and encouraged to join in any and all Board Meetings. Underclassmen and Junior Student Council officers will also be invited to help plan and prepare the end of the year events for our seniors!

Purpose:

The purpose of the Senior/Student Board is to help plan and organize all senior events throughout the year. The board members work closely with the advisors to ensure that all our senior ideas are represented at meetings and implemented in every event. The board members work effortlessly in the preparations of fundraisers, Prom, Distinction Day, and Graduation.

Meetings:

All Board Meetings will be held at 2:35pm in Room 108. Days will vary to ensure that there is not a conflict with other extracurricular activities. However most meetings are held on Thursdays. 2-3 weeks prior to Prom, Senior Board will meet after school everyday.

VHS PROM:

Proposals:

Google Slide Proposals for all themes will be due by **October 31, 2025**. All slideshow submissions for theme ideas will either need to be emailed or shared to acaffarel@vermilionschools.org. Directions for the presentations are as follows:

Class of 2026 this is your year!! It is your time to have a say in one of the biggest events of your senior year, PROM! The following are the directions for how to submit your idea for Prom Theme. Make sure you include everything you can so that it comes across clearly to all those who view it prior to voting.

Your Prom Theme should be presented as a Google Slide for your entire senior class to view. After each has been viewed we will present them to the senior class. Presentations will be posted to the district website and emailed out to everyone through your sailornet accounts. A google form for voting will be sent out for you to pick your favorite! **YOU ARE TO KEEP THIS ANONYMOUS! NO NAMES ON THE SUBMISSION SLIDES!**

Main Ideas to include:

- **WHAT IS THE THEME?!?** GIVE IT A NAME! COLORS? Main Focal Points; Additional Decor added around the hall, DJ table etc.
- **RED CARPET ARRIVAL:** What do you want the red carpet arrival to look like this year? Any decorations, props, the way attendees arrive; what ideas do you have to truly make this look like the real thing?
- **THE MAIN HALLWAY:** When you enter the main hallway after leaving the gym and library, what would you like to enter to? What could we do to additionally dress up this entrance?
- **TABLE SCAPES:** What should the tables look like? Centerpieces? Colors? Decorations?

- **FAVORS:** *What would you like to take home as a memory of this event? Do you want to take anything home as a memory? You make the call on how the funds are spent.*
- *Add any additional information that you feel adds to your theme and may convince others that your theme is the best!*

ENJOY! The submitted Google Slide Presentations must be handed in by October 31, 2025. Email them to me or share them at acaffarel@vermilionschools.org. Everyone will have time to view them and vote on which is the favorite.

Please listen to announcements for our first Senior Board meeting. ALL are welcome to join and these individuals will have a direct helping hand in the preparation in ALL senior class events.

Prom Theme Voting:

Once all themes have been submitted on time and approved by the advisors and the Vermilion High School Administration, a ballot will be presented and voting will occur. Only VHS/EHOVE seniors can vote. All presentations will be made available for all VHS seniors to view. Themes will be available online at the Vermilion Local Schools Website and voting will be sent to seniors sailornet accounts as a Google Form.

Prom:

Saturday, May 16, 2026
VHS Commons and Gymnasium
7:00-11:00pm

Red Carpet Arrival:

- ~ 6:30pm through the Gymnasium
- ~ Students may choose to arrive in the most creative, appropriate ways possible!
- ~ Students are not required to participate in the Red Carpet Arrival & Announcing/Procession to attend Prom.

Ticket Sales:

- ~ All tickets will be \$90
- ~ Ticket Sales will begin the week of April 6, 2026.
- ~ All School Fees must be paid in order to purchase a ticket.
- ~ **All tickets purchased after May 1, 2026 will cost \$100.**
 - ~ No tickets will be sold after May 12, 2026.
 - ~ All ticket sales and deadlines are subject to change and only if it benefits the students.

Table Reservations:

- ~ All table reservations must be made by May 13, 2026.
- ~ If reservations are not made by 5/13/26, advisors will do their best to accommodate appropriately.
 - ~ Reservation sheets will be located in the main office.
 - ~ Tables for groups of 6, 8, 10, or 12 can be reserved
 - ~ Tables can only be reserved when tickets for all at the table have been purchased!

Dance:

- ~ No student will be allowed to enter after 7:30pm (unless written permission by the administration).
- ~ Parents will be contacted for students who have not arrived.
- ~ Once students have left Prom they will not be allowed re-admittance.
 - ~ All guests (non-VHS students) must have a dance/guest form on file.
 - ~ Upon entrance all attendees will be subject to a breathalyzer test.
 - ~ Any large bags or purses are subject to a search.
- ~ Any large bags brought into the dance will be held by administration until the attendees are ready to leave.
- ~ We ask that all attendees are appropriately dressed. All accessories such as top hats, canes, etc will be held by administration until the attendees are ready to leave.
 - ~ Any student in attendance that behaves inappropriately will be asked to leave and only released with parent/guardian acknowledgment.

Important Testing Dates:

Junior ACT Testing:

~ February 24, 2026 (online test)

OST's Testing:

~ ELA – April 14/15, 2026

~ Social Studies – Apr. 21, 2026

~ Science – Apr 23, 2026

~ Math, April 29, 2026

Evening of Excellence:

May 6, 2026 7:00pm

AP Testing Dates:

~ Literature -TBD

~ Calculus - TBD

CTSO/EHOVE Awards/Field Day:

~ May 15, 2026

Sailor Sunshine Day

May 15, 2026

VHS Senior Final Exams:

~ May 18-22, 2026
(computer roll-in will follow)

EHOVE Senior Final Exams:

~ Week of May 18, 2026

VHS Seniors' Last Day:

~ May 26, 2026

EHOVE Seniors' Last Day:

~ May 26, 2026

(attending senior day at VHS; mandatory attendance)

EHOVE Recognition Day:

~ May 22, 2026

Senior Day:

~ May 26, 2026

~ Faculty/Staff Appreciation Breakfast: 7:10

~ The Class of 2026 Panoramic Picture: 7:40
Information will be sent out when it is
determined how or if this will be possible.

~ Senior Breakfast: immediately following
picture

~ Senior Superlative Announcements: at
breakfast

~ Superlatives will be sent out in a Google Form
to all Senior sailornet account emails.

~ Superlatives will be emailed out approximately
the week of May 4, 2026 and due back no later
than May 15, 2026.

Graduation Practice: May 26, 2026

- ~ During practice students will also receive their recognition cords, stoles, and tassels.
- ~ Graduates may also receive any final bills or paperwork.
- ~ All fees must be paid in full in order to participate in the graduation ceremony and receive their diplomas. If fees are not paid in time students are permitted to walk but will not be able to receive their diplomas until payments are made (an empty binder will be handed to the senior during the ceremony). Diplomas can then be picked up in the VHS Main Office when payment occurs.
- ~ Any Senior interested in speaking or performing at graduation must submit a copy of their speech or performance prior to **May 8, 2026**. Those students chosen are then expected to share a Google Doc of their speech with Mrs. Caffarel, Mrs. Habermehl, Mr. Perry, Ms. Burris, and Mr. Snook by May 20. (The top three of those submitted will be determined by senior class advisors, administrators, etc. If needed, an anonymous reading and choosing will be held by a panel of staff members.)
- ~ Assigned seating will be posted for all seniors to follow.
- ~ **All Seniors MUST be at graduation practice in order to participate in the Commencement Ceremonies on Sunday, May 31, 2026.**
- ~ ***All Seniors are expected to bring their caps and gowns to practice. It is advised that tassels are left at home so as to not be lost.***

Cap and Gown Walk:

May 26, 2026

- ~ The Annual Cap and Gown Walk will follow graduation practice at approximately 10:30am.
- ~ Seniors will first parade through VHS as our underclassmen clap them out!
- ~ Seniors will then exit the South Gym Doors and parade to Vermilion Elementary School to be greeted and congratulated by our elementary school students, faculty, and staff.
- ~ Seniors will then walk to Sailorway Middle School to be greeted and congratulated by our elementary school students, faculty, and staff.
- ~ We encourage all Alumni, Retirees, Family and Friends to line the walk to VES and join in efforts to congratulate the Class of 2026.

Senior Scholarship Night:

May 20, 2026

7:00pm

Vermilion High School Auditorium

- ~ All Seniors and their families are invited to attend.
- ~ Information will be posted on the district website for those who will be recipients of the local scholarships.
- ~ Appropriate dress is highly suggested. Dressing up, business attire is appropriate. Very short skirts are discouraged. Women's stiletto, wedge, or other high heel shoes are discouraged (falling/tripping risk).
Recipients will be using the stairs to the stage.

Payment of Senior Fees:

- ~ If there are still unpaid fees the week prior to graduation, you will have until May 22, 2026 by noon to pay cash, credit card (PayForIt only), or money order in order to receive your diploma on graduation day.
- ~ If fees are paid after the May 22, 2026 deadline you will still be able to participate in graduation. You will however have to pick up your diploma the week following graduation.
- ~ There will be no one available the day of graduation to handle the transactions.

Commencement Ceremonies:

Sunday, May 31, 2026
Vermilion High School Gymnasium
1:00pm

~ ***Doors will open at 11am.***

~ No Jeans, Shorts, Gym Shoes, Work Boots, or Flip Flops, please. Red collar shirts are not suggested since they do not photograph well with the purple gowns.

~ At the conclusion of the Commencement Ceremonies we ask all in attendance to remain seated until the Graduates have exited.

~ The Graduates Ceremonial Cap Toss may occur where they are seated in the gym if it is raining. If weather permits the graduates will exit and do the cap toss outside the gymnasium under the large tree.

~ Decorating the mortar boards **MUST** be respectful and if not will be confiscated prior to the ceremony.

~ All graduates are encouraged to put their names inside their caps.

Best Wishes
and
Good Luck!



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