



WHITEWATER HIGH SCHOOL

CLASS OF 2025

Tuesday, April 22	Honors Night 6:30pm Auditorium (invitation only)
Thursday, May 15	Last Day & Picnic During Lunch Stadium
Thursday, May 15	Drum out 1:30pm
Friday, May 16	Exams 4th-7th periods
Monday, May 19	Exams 1st-3rd periods
Wednesday, May 21	Elementary School Cap & Gown Walk Cleveland 1:00pm Peeples 1:00pm Baccalaureate Service 7:00pm New Hope Baptist - North Campus
Thursday, May 22	Graduation Practice 8:30am-10:30am Stadium (mandatory) Elementary School Cap & Gown Walk Sara Harp 10:45am Inman 11:30pm
Friday, May 23	Graduation 7:00pm Stadium

Class of 2025 End of Year and Graduation Information

Slideshow: Due Friday, May 2

We are creating a slideshow for the day of Drum Out and need your pictures! Send a baby picture and a current picture of yourself to Mrs. Bishop (bishop.amy@fcboe.org). The deadline to submit pictures is midnight on May 2.

Dress Up Days/Last Week: May 12-15

Monday - Child Day, Tuesday - Senior Citizen Day, Wednesday - College Day, Thursday - Drum Out

Picnic and Drum Out: Thursday, May 15

Seniors' last day of school is May 15 and will attend 1st-3rd periods as normal.

Chromebook: Return with charger during class (students will be called during class).

Picnic: The picnic will begin during 4th period and be held in the stadium. Click [here](#) to select your meal for the picnic by Friday, May 5. If you do not complete this form, you will not receive a free meal ticket. If you need to purchase your picnic ticket, you should have received an email from Mrs. White.

Auditorium: Around 12:45pm, seniors will head to the auditorium for graduation week information and the slideshow.

Drum Out: At approximately 1:30pm, seniors will line up at the junior parking lot 1000 hallway entrance to begin the Drum Out. Parents will not be allowed to enter the school for the drum out, but can line up outside the school on the walkway going towards the senior parking lot. Seniors will not be permitted back in the building after the drum out.

Senior Exams: Friday, May 16 and Monday, May 19

Senior Final Exam Exemption: A senior may exempt any and all exams for which they have an average of 80 in the class (spring semester only) and have 5 or less unexcused occurrences. If they do not meet these requirements, they may use the attendance exemption instead, but cannot combine exemption types.

Attendance Exemption: A student may exempt any one final exam provided the student has a semester average of at least 70 in the course he/she wishes to exempt and 5 or less unexcused occurrences. Excused occurrences do not count against exemptions.

Seniors taking exams will take them on Friday, May 16 (4th, 5th, 6th, 7th) and Monday, May 19 (1st, 2nd, 3rd) in the teacher's classrooms during the student's normal class period.

Elementary Cap N Gown Walk: Wednesday, May 21 and Thursday, May 22

Students who attended Sara Harp Minter, Inman and/or Peeples Elementary Schools will have the opportunity to walk their elementary school halls wearing their graduation regalia. This is optional.

Cleveland Elementary: Wednesday, May 21 @ 1:00pm (see below)

Peeples Elementary: Wednesday, May 21 @ 1:00pm (see below)

Sara Harp Minter: Thursday, May 22 @ 10:45am

Inman Elementary: Thursday, May 22 @ 11:30am

Students planning to attend the walk at Cleveland Elementary should read the information posted [here](#) to RSVP.

Students planning to attend the walk at Peeples Elementary should read the information posted [here](#) to RSVP.

Baccalaureate Service: Wednesday, May 21- 7:00pm

Baccalaureate is an optional, multi-school religious service for graduates. The service will be held at New Hope Baptist Church - North Campus 552 New Hope Rd, Fayetteville. Graduates should arrive by 6:45pm wearing their graduation gowns and caps.

Graduation Practice: Thursday, May 22- 8:30am -11:00am

Mandatory! Students must be present at the graduation practice to be able to participate in the Graduation ceremony. Students should report to the stadium and complete check in by 8:30am.

Obligations- Thursday, May 22

To participate in the graduation ceremony, seniors must have all obligations cleared before graduation practice on May 22 at 8:30am. Beginning May 12, students must pay all obligations with cash. You can check for any outstanding obligations by logging into Infinite Campus and clicking on the fees tab. Students should bring the item in question or the fees to the front office.

Graduation Ceremony: Friday, May 23- 7:00pm (Seniors)

Arrival: Seniors need to report to the cafeteria by 5:45pm dressed for the ceremony with cap, gown, tassel, stoll, and cords (only WHS cords will be permitted to be worn during the ceremony). Seniors will check in with their assigned Junior Marshal.

Students are not permitted to bring any items on the field during the ceremony including cell phones and sunglasses. All items will be turned into the student's check-in table (counselor staffed) and can be picked up after the ceremony when the student picks up their graduation packet. It is best to only bring essential items to the cafeteria. Leave purses or large personal items with family members.

Dress Code: Males should have plain dark blue or black dress pants, dark socks and dark dress shoes. Shirts should be a light colored collared dress shirt. Females can wear dresses or should arrive in dark slacks with a light color top. No jeans, shorts, high heels, tennis shoes, flip flops, or crocs. Sandals and wedges are acceptable.

Graduation Gown Care: Do not iron the gown! Hang up the gown a few days so wrinkles will fall out. Do not alter the gown or cap in any way. The gown is not washable. Be very careful with your tassel - do not lose it!

Graduation Cap: The cap cannot be altered in any way. Nothing should be added to it.

After the ceremony, graduates will need to report to the cafeteria as soon as possible to receive their graduation packets.

Graduation Ceremony: Friday, May 23 at 7:00pm (Family and Friends)

Seating is on a first-come, first-serve basis. Gates will open at 5:30pm. For the stadium ceremony, no tickets are needed and there is not a limit to how many people students can invite. Parents and guests cannot enter the track or field during the ceremony. Handicapped seating will be available on the track for those in need. Because space is limited, families are limited to two seats on track total, not two seats for handicapped/disabled and then additional accompaniment. Seniors will be able to pick up handicap parking passes after graduation practice on May 22. To request handicap seating please complete this form: [Handicapped Parking and Seating Request](#) by noon on Wednesday, May 21. In the event that requests exceed space or chairs, passes will be given in the order in which the form was completed.

For family and friends unable to attend in person, the ceremony will be live streamed. The link will be shared closer to the ceremony date.

During the announcing of names, we ask that you refrain from using air horns or other artificial noisemakers. Although we know you will be excited and want to express your joy, these noisemakers could interfere with the name of the student who follows. After the ceremony, you are free to move out onto the field to take pictures and visit with your graduate.

Transcripts

The folder graduates will pick up after graduation will contain one official and one unofficial transcript. To order additional final transcripts, please come by the Counseling office beginning April 28. There is a **\$5 CASH only fee** for each additional transcript. After graduation, students must place requests for additional transcripts with the Records Center at the Fayette County Board of Education.