2025 Senior Spring Information

Student Edition

Important dates, "to do" items and frequently asked questions about the final weeks of high school. Note: READ CAREFULLY

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Cap & Gown Orders

The second batch of Cap & Gown orders arrived and can be picked up at the BHS Main Office. If you didn't place your order yet, there is still time. Visit the <u>Jostens</u> website. Remember, we also have donated gowns in the BHS Main Office.

Senior Sign Out Part 1 & 2 - Due June 12

Complete <u>Senior Sign Out Part 1</u> and <u>Senior Sign Out Part 2</u> by June 12. **200 students** still need to complete the Part 2, which includes the Naviance Survey.

Senior Prom - May 30

Senior Prom will be held at block 41 on May 30 from 7-10 p.m. Tickets can be purchased here. Seniors who choose to bring a non-BISD student guest to prom will need to complete this guest form (also available at the Main Office) by May 23 at 3:30 p.m. Plan ahead as the form requires signatures from principals, parents and both the student and guest. Last minute admin signature requests will not be accepted. REMINDER: this is a school-sponsored event, and school district policies apply; students will face school discipline for violating established student conduct expectations.

NHS Awards Ceremony - June 6

The National Honor Society Awards Ceremony will be held on June 6 in Paski Gym at 6 p.m.

Baccalaureate - June 8

Baccalaureate is an optional, non-denominational service hosted by the Bainbridge Island Interfaith Council. This year's theme is "Our Stories So Far." Baccalaureate is not an official BISD event, but it will feature BISD student and staff speakers as well as musical performances. Senior students traditionally wear graduation gowns (not caps) to the service. The location of this year's Baccalaureate is Saint Cecilia Church. It will be held on June 8 at 3 p.m. Senior students should arrive by 2:40 p.m. It's an inspirational event kicking off seniors' last week before graduation.

Senior Finals - Week of June 9

Senior finals will take place the week of June 9. Teachers will communicate directly with their senior students regarding final exams and projects. Looking ahead to the busy weeks of early June, remember to plan ahead for any major projects or papers that are due this week.

Senior Check Out - June 12

More details to come about Senior Check Out. Senior Check Out involves returning their Chomebooks, library and text books, and paying for fines and fees, including the \$30 BISD commencement fee which can be paid starting April 18.

Senior Awards Night - June 12

Senior Awards Night is June 12 at 7 p.m. in the BHS Theater. This is a time to recognize students who have been selected for various BHS and community scholarships and honors. All senior students who will be receiving an award will be notified by email in advance (remind students to check their frogrock email account), with an expectation that students RSVP for the event. Family and friends are also invited to attend, but the specific awards that will be granted may not be revealed in advance.

Graduation Rehearsal - June 13

Seniors should report to their first period class. At 9 a.m., you will be dismissed to Paski Gym for a senior assembly and graduation rehearsal. Rehearsal will conclude about 11 a.m. Bring your gown, but no other pieces.

BISD Graduation - June 14

Graduation Requirements

In order to participate in the graduation ceremony and receive a BISD diploma, all seniors must meet BISD graduation requirements. Additionally, to receive a diploma, all outstanding fines and fees must be cleared. We cannot release your diploma if you have outstanding fines on your account.

Graduation Ceremony

The Bainbridge Island School District Graduation Ceremony will be held on Saturday, June 14 at 4 p.m. in the Bainbridge High School Memorial Stadium, rain or shine.

All graduating seniors must arrive at Paski Gym by 3 p.m. to prepare for the ceremony. Doors will open to families and friends at 2:45 p.m.

Diplomas

To prevent loss, we do not provide official diplomas at the graduation ceremony nor do we mail them. Graduates may pick up their diploma at the BHS Counseling Office beginning June 23 - 26 between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. We will not release diplomas to parents or friends without written permission from the graduate. Email rhughes@bisd303.org if the graduate gives permission to someone else to pick up their diploma. If you are not available on those dates, **do not worry**. We keep diplomas until they are picked up. They will be available to pick up again August 20. Please make sure to scan your diploma as this is the only copy we have - we cannot replace it if it is lost!

Diplomas will not be released if fines are owed.

Transcripts

All colleges (2-year and 4-year) require students to submit a final high school **official transcript**, showing all courses taken, credits earned, final grade point average, and date of graduation. Senior students that plan to enter college in the Fall must log in to Parchment (<u>www.parchment.com</u>) to request a final <u>official</u> **transcript** to be sent either after final grades are posted or using the "Hold for Grades" option when placing your order. Grades from spring semester will be posted by June 23.

Senior students who are taking classes outside of BHS (i.e. online coursework) must provide an official transcript from the credit-granting institution prior to attending the graduation ceremony. Proof of successful completion of the course must be submitted to the BHS Counseling Office by Friday, May 23 by 3 p.m.

Grad Night Out - June 14 after graduation

While not a BISD-sponsored event, GNO is a longtime Bainbridge tradition (67+ years). It is a fun-filled event for all graduates, with a history of over 90% of the class participating. It is sponsored by the parents of seniors and is a substance-free, chaperoned, all-night celebration. The evening marks the last opportunity to celebrate together as the Class of 2025. We welcome ALL senior graduates from Bainbridge High School, Eagle Harbor High School and Running Start. For more information and to register, please click here.

Senior Students "to do" list:

- ☐ Finish your senior year strong! While the end is in sight, there are a number of important and exciting events and activities planned for you in June. Remember to stay engaged as a student, and leave a legacy at BHS that you can be proud of.
- □ Double-check that you are on track to graduate: passing all required classes, earning enough credits, and have met state testing requirements.
- □ Order your BHS final transcript to be sent to your college via Parchment.
 Remember to order it HOLD FOR GRADES. Also, confirm that your email address in Parchment is a personal email and NOT your frogrock email address. This is extremely important to access Parchment after graduation!
- ☐ Enjoy your last couple months of high school! Congratulations!

Frequently Asked Questions about Graduation

How many tickets does each graduating student receive?

Tickets will not be distributed this year. BHS Memorial Stadium can accommodate seating for up to eight guests per graduate. **We ask that graduates and their families respect the limit.** If you have additional guests, they should wait to be seated until 3:45 p.m. to ensure other graduates' guests have the opportunity to find a seat.

When will doors open to families and friends?

2:45 p.m.

Where will the graduation ceremony take place?

The graduation will take place at BHS Memorial Stadium at 4 p.m. on June 14, rain or shine.

Will there be accommodations for people with mobility issues?

Yes, there will be approximately 40 spaces reserved for this purpose. This has always been more than enough space to accommodate attendees. There will be a drop off area near the stadium for those with mobility issues and then their family member/friend may park the car.

How does parking work?

Parking will be available everywhere on the BHS campus except directly behind the stadium and in the bus loop. Although there will be no other activities taking place that day, parking lots will likely fill up. We suggest you carpool when possible and give yourself plenty of time to find a parking space.