

Class of 2026 | Senior Grad Packet

This is a live document that is updated as information becomes available. Please note that there will be changes as dates, places, locations, and information are solidified.

SENIOR CALENDAR

September:

- College Essay Writing
- Senior Retreat
- Homecoming
- HL/SL Selections

October:

- College Essays/Applications completed

November:

- Senior Pictures Due

December:

January:

February:

March:

April:

- Senior Celebration
- IB Exams

May:

- Prom
- IB Exams
- Graduation
 - Senior Breakfast
 - Graduation Rehearsal
 - Graduation Ceremony
 - Senior All Night Party

SENIOR GOOGLE CLASSROOM AND SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION

Each year, 11th and 12th-grade counselor Mrs. Ralston creates a Google Classroom for all seniors and their parents. This is a great space for communication of scholarship opportunities, deadlines, and processes that are important throughout one's senior year. If you are not a member yet, we encourage you to join to ensure you receive all the specific information pertaining to seniors that Ms. Ralston has to share.

<https://classroom.google.com/c/NTIzNDYyMjY4NTYx?cjc=dop5opd>

YEARBOOK/SENIOR PHOTOS

All seniors were invited to join a Google Classroom page specifically for the yearbook, where they can submit photos, quotes, wills, etc. Senior photos are due the week of Thanksgiving.

Order your yearbook [here](#).

Each year, City gathers photos for a senior slide show to play at graduation and include in the graduation program. In order to include all scholars, we need help getting pictures. We would like at least two pictures of each senior from their time here at City. Pictures can be added to the [Senior Photo Google Drive](#) or emailed to Assistant Principal Dams, damse@grps.org.

IB DIPLOMA PROGRAMME INFORMATION

In order to sit for DP exams, all IB requirements **MUST BE COMPLETED** for all courses in which students are registered for exams. This also includes CAS requirements. You can help keep your scholar on track to participate in City's graduation ceremony by using the following documents:

[DP ASSESSMENT CALENDAR](#)

[MAY 2026 EXAM SCHEDULE](#)

[DP HANDBOOK 2025-2026](#)

TEXTBOOKS

Seniors will receive a list of checked-out textbooks, novels, library books, and calculators during the second semester, or they may stop in at any time to request one from Ms. Hoving in the Media Center. All checked-out items should be returned as soon as they are no longer needed for a class or to study for an IB exam. Checked out items that have been lost or damaged must be paid for in the form of cash or a check made out to "City High Middle" before graduation and given to Ms. Hoving in the Media Center. The cost per book will be noted on the list of books given to your scholar. If you would like to replace the book via Amazon or www.thriftbooks.com, please have your scholar stop by the Media Center for the ISBN in order to get the proper textbook or novel. Contact Ms. Hoving at 819-1957 or at hovingr@grps.org if you have any questions or concerns.

SENIOR SKIP DAYS

Over the years, there has been a lot of confusion around senior skip days. Skip days are not something that the school helps plan or encourages; however, in some cases, parents and scholars get the perception that we support these days because not much goes on at the school for seniors when they occur. Unfortunately, when a majority is not in attendance, teachers cannot move forward with their curriculum; this is where some of that confusion stems from. We

want all scholars in attendance whenever able, as it allows learning to continue. It should also be noted that senior skip days are not excusable, even with a parent phone call. When a percentage of scholars are out on the same day, the only excusable scenario is an appointment with supporting documentation. We fully understand that skip days may be a right of passage for seniors, but they will have to take them knowing that they are unexcused days. Thank you in advance for your understanding.

SENIOR YARD SIGNS

Families will be notified if senior yard signs will be provided by the district again when that information becomes available.

TRANSCRIPTS

Final transcripts must be ordered by each senior at <https://www.parchment.com/> to be sent to the college/university they are attending next fall. Students can request it now and request it to be “held for grades.”

JOSTENS

Jostens will come in to meet seniors later in the fall semester. They will cover what is available to purchase from them, including caps and gowns.

VALEDICTORIANS & SALUTATORIANS

The Class of 2026 Valedictorians and Salutatorians will be named once final grades are posted for the fall semester.

SENIOR CELEBRATION - April 29, 2026

In keeping with the tradition of celebrating seniors’ accomplishments, hard work, and talents, we are planning to host a Senior Celebration event on April 29, to be held in City’s Auditorium. The event will occur from 6-7 PM, with attire being business casual. This is for Senior students and their immediate family. The program will consist of celebrating the Class of 2026 by recognizing students’ awards, accomplishments, and talents.