



Heritage High School - Class of 2025 - Senior & Commencement Guide

SENIOR TIMELINE

GRADUATION REHEARSAL

Friday, June 6th at 9:00am. All seniors participating in the graduation ceremony MUST report to rehearsal at McKenzie Stadium by 8:45 am. Allow two hours for rehearsal. Dress for weather conditions. Graduates may park at the stadium for rehearsal. Cap and gown are not needed for rehearsal.

GRADUATION

DATE: Friday, June 6th at McKenzie Stadium.

TIME: The ceremony starts at 7:00pm. Gates open at 5:30pm. Graduates must report to Heritage High School by 4:30pm. Seniors will depart Heritage via provided school buses for McKenzie Stadium. Tickets are required for spectator entrance to the ceremony.

PLACE: McKenzie Stadium, 2205 NE 138th Ave, Vancouver, WA 98684

TICKETS: Each graduate will receive six (6) tickets for Commencement. Tickets will be distributed to seniors who are academically cleared starting May 29th - June 5th outside the main office before/after school and during both lunches. If available, there will be a sign-up for additional tickets. There is no charge for tickets and all tickets will be distributed at Heritage High School directly to students.

PARKING: Parking at McKenzie Stadium is limited to upper south level and the lower northwest level. The entrance to the upper level is from 138th Avenue and the entrance to the lower level is from 28th St. Additional parking is available at Evergreen High School, Burton Elementary, Cascade Middle School and a lot at 138th Ave and 28th St. Shuttles will run from these locations dropping patrons off at the upper McKenzie gate and also return patrons after the ceremony. ADA Disability Parking will be available in the upper McKenzie lot. All ADA patron drop-offs must take place in the upper parking lot. ADA seating can only be accessed from the upper entrance.

ENTRANCES: Guests and families may enter McKenzie Stadium at two different locations. Lower west side gate located next to the scoreboard, or the south side gate near the upper parking lot located at the top of the stadium.

GRADUATE ENTRANCE/EXIT: Graduates will be bussed to and from the ceremony. All graduates will check in at Heritage High School at 4:30pm. They will load buses and head to McKenzie Stadium. Prior to the ceremony, graduates will be dropped off at the Sports Annex, north of McKenzie Stadium. Following the ceremony, graduates will exit through the northeast gate of the stadium and load buses at the Sports Annex parking lot. Parents may pick up their graduates at Heritage following the ceremony. Buses will drop graduates off in the north/student parking lot. Graduates may not park at the stadium, however they may park at Heritage.

HANDICAPPED SEATING: Reserved seating is available near the top of the stadium for handicapped persons and senior citizens. The first five top rows of each seating section will be marked for handicapped and senior citizens. There will be a roped-off section of seating available for wheelchairs located on the upper platform of the south side section of the stadium. Also, golf carts and drivers will be available to assist people who have difficulty walking down to the stadium seating. Drivers will transport these people from the upper parking lot to the stadium seating at the beginning and end of the ceremony. On-site parking is available for handicapped individuals who have handicapped parking placards/license plates. This space is limited and available on a first-come basis

DEAF AND HARD OF HEARING: A small section of seats will be designated and reserved for the hearing impaired with viewing of the ASL interpreter.

BAG RESTRICTIONS: The following items are allowed at entry to McKenzie Stadium: clear plastic bags (no larger than 12" x 6" x 12"), small purse or clutch (no larger than 6.5"), diaper bags with baby or child, binocular cases with binoculars and one gallon clear plastic freezer bag. Non-allowable items include backpacks of any size, alcoholic beverages, noisemakers, glass or plastic bottles, food, drink, ice chests/coolers/cooler bags or weapons. All items are subject to search. All prohibited items will be denied at the gates and may not be stored at or near McKenzie Stadium. Evergreen Public Schools will not be responsible for property damage or lost/stolen articles.

CONCESSIONS: The south concession stand at McKenzie Stadium will be open on graduation day selling limited items and beverages.

PHOTOS: GradImages is the official commencement photographer for our school and will be taking photographs of each graduate as they receive their diploma. Information forms for ordering pictures will be available at graduation rehearsal. Contact GradImages at www.gradimages.com or call at (800) 261-2576. giservice@gradimages.net

LIVE STREAM: All the ceremonies will be live streamed via Evergreen Public School's [YouTube channel](#), and will be linked on Facebook. In addition, Comcast subscribers will be able to view the ceremonies on channels 28/328.

ALCOHOL/TOBACCO USE: Any persons who are found using alcohol or other drugs will not be allowed to participate in the graduation ceremony. The use of alcohol, tobacco, or other drugs is strictly forbidden at any school district event.

VALUABLES: There is no secure storage for purses, cameras, and other valuables at McKenzie Stadium. Please leave your valuables at home or in your parent's care.

LOST AND FOUND: 360-604-4095

ATTIRE: All seniors will wear their cap, tassel, gown, and stole for the commencement ceremony. Graduates will have a fair amount of walking, so please wear appropriate shoes.

SENIOR DEFICIENCIES

Senior deficiencies will be mailed home April 30th. These **MUST** be cleared to graduate. Pink slips will be issued to seniors who are failing or missing a graduation requirement. These must be signed off by the teacher who issued the deficiency in order to graduate and pick up graduation tickets.

DEVICES, BOOKS & FINES

Chromebooks, library books and textbooks must be turned in between June 3rd - 5th in the library. Fine slips will be mailed home on April 30th. Fines can be paid online through the [parental portal](#) or at the activities office 8:00am - 3:30pm M-F. These must be paid to pick up final transcripts and diplomas.

CAP & GOWN

Last Call! Do you still need to order your cap & gown? It's not too late. [Order online](#) now to receive it in time for our graduation ceremony. For any questions about orders contact Royal T at info@royaltpapers.com or 360-254-7870.

CAP DECOR

Traditionally, many seniors choose to decorate their cap for graduation. Cap decor must be appropriate, flat and not protruding off the sides or top of the cap. A new cap will be issued to any student that does not meet the guidelines.

DIPLOMAS & FINAL TRANSCRIPTS

All Students will receive one official and one unofficial transcript with their diploma. If you would like more than one official transcript you can order it [here](#). Diplomas and final transcripts will be available for pick-up at Heritage on June 20th and June 23rd from 8:00 am - 3:00 pm. Diplomas and transcripts will not be available June 24 - July 11. Diplomas and transcripts will be available again starting July 14th at Evergreen School District Office Records Center.

SENIOR AWARDS NIGHT

This is a night honoring students from the Class of 2025. Senior Awards will take place on Wednesday, May 21st at 6:00pm in the HHS auditorium. Parents, relatives and friends are welcome to attend. Light dessert will be provided. Award recipients will be notified prior to the event.

BACCALAUREATE

Sponsored by Heritage Senior Parents Association on Sunday, June 1st, at 4:00 pm in the HHS auditorium. This is a non-denominational religious ceremony meant to be an inspirational and motivating day. This event is OPTIONAL and there is no ticket required to attend. Graduates will wear their caps and gowns. Senior memory boards will be on display before and after the ceremony. Light dessert and refreshments to follow.

SENIOR MEMORY BOARDS:

Senior memory boards are an optional activity for seniors and their families. Senior Memory Boards typically display photos of the student from both past and present. Please keep memory boards to a standard poster board size. Please laminate any loose photos. Memory Boards can be submitted to the main office. Memory Boards should be submitted by May 30th in order to be displayed at Baccalaureate. Please pick up your memory board concluding these events. Questions regarding Senior Memory Boards can be directed to the Senior Parent Association, heritageseniorparents@gmail.com. Memory boards not picked up by June 12th will be recycled.

SENIOR GRAD PARTY/PARENT ASSOCIATION

A post-graduation drug and alcohol-free all night party will be held at an undisclosed location, hosted by the Senior Parent Association. Seniors will meet at Heritage on Friday, June 6th at 9:00pm to load on buses and return early in the morning on Saturday June 7th. Only HHS graduating seniors may attend the party. The cost of the grad party is \$67.50. Students will not need any money at the party. All food and entertainment will be included. Tickets may be purchased online at www.twolfseniorparents.org. Any questions may be directed to heritageseniorparents@gmail.com

MOVING UP ASSEMBLY

Parents and families are invited to attend the moving-up assembly on Friday, May 30th at HHS. The assembly will start at approximately 2:20pm. All guests are required to check in at the main office. Seating for family and guests during the assembly is limited to the upper gym section only.

SENIOR CELEBRATION

Senior BBQ will take place on Wednesday, June 4th, from 3:30 - 4:30 pm in the HHS Courtyard/Den. Seniors can enjoy a complimentary meal provided by the Senior Class Council. This event is for Heritage graduating senior students only.

The Class of 2025 Timeline

Fall & Winter:	FAFSA & WAFSA. Apply at www.fafsa.ed.gov or https://wsac.wa.gov/wasfa
April 25:	Last senior meeting during 2nd period in the auditorium Cap & Gown distribution at the wolf during both lunches.
April 30:	Final round of senior deficiencies sent and emailed home. These MUST be cleared to graduate. Fine slips mailed home. These must be paid to pick-up final transcripts and diplomas.
May 3:	Prom, 7-10pm, Pearson Air Museum
May 21:	Senior Awards Night, 6pm, Heritage High School Auditorium
May 29 - June 5:	Graduation tickets available for seniors cleared to graduate - before/after school and both lunches. Must clear by 6/4 at 1pm for alpha order
May 30:	Moving Up Assembly - report to gym after 2nd lunch
June 1:	Baccalaureate, 2:00pm, Heritage High School Auditorium. Light dessert to follow.
June 3-5:	Turn in library books, textbooks, and devices to the library
June 3:	Senior Finals periods 4, 5, 6
June 4:	Senior Finals periods 1, 2, 3 Last day to clear for graduation by 1pm Senior Celebration, 3:40 in the den
June 5:	Elementary school walkthroughs Last day of school for seniors
June 6:	Mandatory Graduation Rehearsal, 9am, McKenzie Stadium
June 6:	Graduation, 7:00 pm, McKenzie Stadium. Gates open at 5:30pm. Graduates report to Heritage at 4:30pm. All Night Grad Party. Meet at Heritage and load busses @ 9pm
TBD:	Diploma pick-up. All graduates will receive one final official and one unofficial transcript. If an additional final transcript is required, it needs to be ordered.

