

Wheat Ridge High School

2021 Graduation FAQ

****Updated on May 14th- [Jeffco Schools Communication on "Level Clear"****](#)

Graduation:

Friday, May 21st

2:00 pm

North Area Athletic Complex (NAAC)

Will any more than the four tickets that have been allotted to each student be available?

- YES. As of 5/14 the district announced that there will be no limit to the number of family members who can attend. They do encourage families to stick to 8-10 members if possible. **NO TICKETS NEEDED TO ATTEND**

Where is the NAAC?

- The NAAC (North Area Athletic Complex) is located at 19500 W. 64th Pkwy, Arvada, 80403.
- [NAAC](#)

When is Graduation Rehearsal?

- Graduation rehearsal is scheduled for May 19th at 8:30 a.m. in front of the school. Because of restrictions and limits this will be held outside. In the event of inclement weather on the 19th, a message will be sent to all students' Google Email addresses about our makeup day and time. This information will also be posted on the website.

We did not receive our cap or gown that was ordered earlier in the year.

- All caps and gowns will be distributed at our rehearsal on May 19th. All fees and fines need to be paid in order to receive these.

My Child did not attend the senior awards ceremony, when can they pick up their award?

- Cords will be available for pick up at graduation rehearsal or through the counseling office here at Wheat Ridge prior to the 19th.
- Awards are also available through the counseling office for pick up or students can pick those up along with their diplomas on their designated day

What happens if there is inclement weather during graduation?

- We have been told that the graduation ceremony will proceed as planned regardless of weather, with the exception of lightning. That said, a contingency plan is in place in the event of a major blizzard, for the same time and place the following week. This will be a district decision and we will notify all those affected.

What time do students need to arrive for graduation? Will transportation be provided?

Where do graduates park and enter?

- Graduates will need to arrive between 12:45 and 1:10 on Friday, May 21st
- Transportation will not be provided, students will need to have a ride to and from the ceremony.
- Graduates will enter on the Southeast side of the stadium
- [NAAC Map](#)

Wheat Ridge High School

2021 Graduation FAQ

What entrance will families use to enter the stadium?

- Families will be able to enter the NAAC at the two main entrances, East stands and West stands. Each graduate will be told which side of the stadium they will be sitting on. (East or West). Parents and families will need to enter and sit on the corresponding side of the stadium.
- [NAAC Map](#)

Will there be a health screening upon entering the stadium?

- No. Per the district communication on 5/13 we will not need to screen those attending graduation.

Graduation Programs

- Due to the last minute change in attendance, graduation programs will be limited to 2 per family. We appreciate your understanding.

Are masks required during graduation?

- Masks are not required but they are encouraged when entering & exiting the facility. They do not need to be worn while seated and proper spacing is followed. Same for graduates, but they can take it off while walking across the stage.

Will the ceremony be live streamed and where can I find this information?

- Yes, the ceremony will be live streamed.
- <http://youtube.com/c/wheatridgefarmers> or [Direct Link](#)

Can graduates decorate their caps?

- Yes, students can decorate their caps at our cap decorating celebration following rehearsal on May 19th.
- All decoration of caps will be monitored the day of the ceremony and any caps deemed to be against the school/district code of conduct will be removed at the discretion of Wheat Ridge High School Administration.

Will graduates receive their diplomas at the ceremony?

- No, graduating seniors will be able to pick up their diplomas from Wheat Ridge outside of the South Gym entrance at the following times:
 - Last name A- La, May 24th from 10:00 - 1:00
 - Last name Lb- Z, May 25th from 10:00 - 1:00

Are Seniors getting yard signs?

- Yes, they were handed out on April 30th when seniors came to the school for the senior picture.
- Seniors who do not attend the April 30th picture will be able to pick up their yard signs on May 19th at graduation rehearsal.

My student still has a ChromeBook, when can they return this?

- All ChromeBooks need to be returned at Graduation rehearsal

Wheat Ridge High School

2021 Graduation FAQ

Will the seating be socially distanced? For the graduates and their families?

- All students participating in the ceremony will be distanced from each other. We, WRHS and Jeffco Schools, ask that groups also distance themselves while in the grandstands:
 - Level Clear is great news, but we are not out of the woods yet. COVID is still in our communities. For this reason, we encourage families attending Jeffco commencement or continuation ceremonies to:
 - Limit guests to 8-10 per family to continue to be responsible community members
 - Continue to social distance when possible
 - Wear masks upon entering and exiting the venues

If you have further questions that have not been answered, please fill out the form below and we will reach out to you individually or update this page with the new information.

[Graduation 2021 Question Form](#)