



# Mascoutah High School

Mascoutah Community Unit School  
District 19

March 2018

## Dear Senior and Parents:

We would like to take this opportunity to extend to you our congratulations on the upcoming graduation of your son or daughter from Mascoutah High School. **Commencement ceremonies are scheduled for Sunday, May 27, 2018 at 2:00 pm and will be held at Mascoutah High School in the gymnasium. Seniors are to arrive at 12:30 to begin lining up. Doors to the gym will open at 1:00 pm.** This letter contains information that will be helpful to you as you prepare for this memorable event.

Seniors who have a D or F in third or fourth quarter, unexcused absences, or behavior infractions for the semester must take final exams during the days finals are scheduled. For all seniors exempt from finals, the last day of attendance is May 18. Seniors who do not meet graduation requirements, will not be permitted to participate in the commencement ceremony. **Those students will be required to attend school on the days before graduation and any normal attendance days after graduation if the school calendar is extended due to bad weather.** They will be required to take all exams. Students not in attendance will receive a "0" for missed work and as an exam grade. Students who have consistently demonstrated inappropriate behavior will be excluded from all graduation activities (senior banquet, honors program, and graduation).

The senior class will assemble in the MHS gymnasium to prepare for graduation. Graduation practice begins at **11:30 am on Thursday, May 24, 2018** and lunch will be served. There will be a small charge to help offset the cost of lunch - this will be shared when we have a better idea on the cost. **In order to participate in the graduation ceremony, seniors must attend/participate in Thursday's practice.**

Everyone agrees that graduation from high school should be a time of joy, but the ceremony itself should be conducted with dignity. Respecting this established tradition, seniors are **required** to dress appropriately and to conduct themselves in a manner that brings honor to themselves, their families, and their high school. Noisemakers, air horns, silly string, or other similar distractions will not be allowed before, during, or after the ceremony.

### **STUDENT DRESS MUST BE AS FOLLOWS:**

- Boys are required to wear dark slacks, dress shirt, tie, and dress shoes.
- Girls are required to wear a light-colored dress or dress slacks and dress shoes.
- Absolutely no jeans, t-shirts, or tennis shoes will be allowed in the ceremonies.
- All attire must be in compliance with the School Dress Code.

***Students judged to be inappropriately dressed or seen behaving in a manner not in keeping with the solemnity of the occasion will be denied participation in the commencement exercises.***

During the graduation ceremony, a member of the Board of Education will present each student a diploma cover. Since the graduation will be videotaped, the administration reserves the right to withhold the diplomas of those students displaying inappropriate behavior during the ceremony. Misbehaving students' parents will be required to contact the Superintendent's Office for an appointment with a representative of the Board of Education to explain the behavior.

*Engaging every student... every day in quality learning opportunities*

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Commencement Information:

The commencement ceremony is scheduled for May 27, 2018 at 2:00 pm in the gymnasium at Mascoutah High School.

- Six (6) tickets will be issued to each senior and will not be distributed until after graduation practice on May 24, 2018.
- Students may arrange for handicap seating by contacting Mrs. Rudolphi at 566-8523 ext 5105. *Please note - handicap seating requires a ticket.*
- Admission for those individuals with tickets will be at 1:00 pm.
- Family members and guests who do not have tickets will be permitted to view graduation in the auditorium which holds 815 people. The ceremony will have live streaming in the auditorium and on the internet. Information will be given to students with their tickets on how to access the live streaming if family members are unable to attend graduation.
- Graduates will pick up their diploma and information packet after the graduation ceremony in the small gymnasium.

The administration and faculty of MHS sincerely desire that each graduating senior carry forth lasting memories from these ceremonies. As the time for graduation approaches, please feel free to contact us with any additional questions or concerns. By working together, we hope that the Class of 2018 will participate in a safe, dignified, and memorable commencement program.

*Thank you for your support during your graduate's career at Mascoutah High School.*

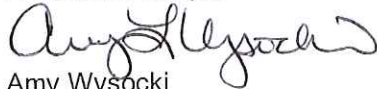
Sincerely,



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Assistant Principal



Scott Battas  
Athletic Director