



**ATTENTION SENIORS
VALUABLE INFORMATION FOR FHS SENIORS & PARENTS
PLEASE READ & MARK YOUR CALENDAR**

To: Parents of Seniors

Date: June, 2016

From: Mark Griffon

Re: Schedule of Important Dates for Seniors

Since the final year in high school represents the culmination of many efforts, achievements, and sometimes sacrifices, I know that you will want to join us in making this one of the most meaningful years in the life of your student. Many of the important events covered center around graduation and commencement activities. Listed below is a schedule of these activities.

Senior Portraits: August 16, 17, 18 (12-8pm), August 19 (12-6pm) & 23, 24, 25 (4-8pm) at Friendswood High School. Chadwick Photography will be taking all senior portraits for the yearbook. Please make your appointment at the time you pick up your registration packet. A studio will be set up on our campus for these days. No money is needed at the time you take your pictures. All proofs will be posted on Chadwick Photography's website www.chadwickphoto.com. Pictures must be made with Chadwick Photography for the yearbook. Having all seniors' pictures made by one photographer insures the same lighting background, which is essential for yearbook purposes. There will be cap & gown photos taken of each senior. Chadwick Photography will provide a cap and gown and stole for the pictures. Portraits are not full length.

Girls MUST wear a nice blouse or a dressy top (tops must cover all undergarments).

Boys MUST wear a starched dress shirt and a tie (a suit or sports coat if possible).

Things to remember: Don't forget to bring your senior ring and letterman jacket (photos will be taken with each for those who bring them), Chadwick Photography will have extra ties available, please only sign up for an appointment time you are able to make. Chadwick Photography will be back at Friendswood High School for **retakes** on September 6, 7, 8 (4-8pm), October 11, 12 (4-8pm), November 9, 10 (4-8pm). You may retake as many times as you would like. If you want your student's picture in the yearbook, Chadwick Photography must take it. You may select which picture (proof number required) and turn into Mr. Peter Wise (room 419) by December 2, 2016. No exceptions can be made.

Chadwick Photography will also be taking **Fall Sports Pictures** (dates and times will be given to each team).

Diplomas: Seniors **must complete** the order form in your registration packet for a diploma. Please remember that your diploma is a legal document; therefore, you must use your full legal name. **Turn your order form** in during registration. **Diplomas are not automatically ordered.** There is no cost to the student.

Cap and Gown: Seniors will place their order for caps and gowns on the day of registration. The cost of the class stole, cap and gown is \$55.00 (plus tax). This amount is due when the order for the cap and gown is placed. This amount covers a souvenir class stole, cap, tassel and gown. Stole only, if not purchasing cap & gown \$20. Additional tassels are \$10.95 each (plus tax). Honor Cords can be purchased for \$10.00 on Wednesday, April 26th, when you pick up your cap and gown.

Honor Graduates - Blue & White** (top 10%)
National Distinguished Achievement Plan
with World Language - Gold
National English Honor Society - Blue & Gold
Spanish National Honor Society - Red
French Honor Society - Red & Gold
Latin Honor Society - Purple & Gold
Mu Alpha Theta - Purple
Thespians - Light Blue
Interact Service Program - Yellow & Blue

National Honor Society - White Collar*
National Art Honor Society - Rainbow*
National BPA - Navy & Red*
National Forensic League - Red, White, & Blue*
National Technical Honor Society - Purple & Silver*
Academic Decathlon - Red, Silver & Blue*
German Honor Society - Black, Red, & Gold*
Quill & Scroll Journalism Honor Society-Blue&Gold*
Project Lead The Way - Orange*
Tri M Music Honor Society-Pink*
***Ordered by sponsor**

****Blue and White** honor cords for honor graduates will be available for purchase after the top 10 percent of the senior class has been announced. The same will apply for the hoods for the Valedictorian and the Salutatorian.

Senior Announcements: Seniors should order commencement announcements and personal cards during registration. Any number of announcements may be ordered. Personal name cards are in lots of 50 and the cost is \$21.95 (plus tax) for the first 50 and \$5.00 (plus tax) for the second 50. The announcements cost \$1.29 each (plus tax). Announcements can be purchased in lots of 25 for \$32.25 (plus tax) or 50 for \$64.50 (plus tax). Payment in full if less than \$100.00, or a deposit of \$100.00 must be made at the time the order is placed. A Photo Keepsake is \$12.50 (plus tax); Appreciation Gifts are \$30.00 (plus tax); Memory Books are \$33.00 (plus tax); and Thank-You Notes are \$13.50 (plus tax) for 25. Order forms are in your senior packet; samples will be available at registration for viewing. Please make checks payable to the Balfour Company.

August 31, Wednesday - Senior Panoramic Picture: The senior class will have a panoramic group picture taken during Homeroom. They may be purchased the following day during all lunches in the cafeteria.

December 2, Friday: Deadline for seniors to select picture for yearbook. If not chosen by this date, Chadwick's will make the choice.

December 9, Friday: Deadline for senior ambitions and yearbook ads (Ad space is limited; this deadline does not guarantee space).

March 1, Wednesday, Lunch: Balfour will deliver Announcements and personal cards. Balance must be paid at that time. Please refer to your receipt for your student's balance.

April 26, Wednesday, Lunch: The caps & gowns will be issued during lunch on this date. Honor cords may be purchased on this date for \$10.00.

May 1, Monday: Deadline to take a College visit.

May 21, Sunday: Senior class pictures: Seniors should report to the Girls Gym, **in your cap and gown**, at 3:30pm for the 2017 Class and 12-Year Senior pictures. A community motivational program will follow in Dr. Myrlene Kennedy Auditorium at 4:00pm. Student attendance is optional.

May 24, Wednesday: Rehearsal for the commencement exercises will be held in the Auditorium during an assembly schedule. All seniors must be present if they plan to participate in the commencement exercises. This is a very important date; please mark it on your calendar today.

June TBD: Commencement

DATES OF INTEREST:

Academic Banquet	- May 4	South Shore Harbour
Senior Field Day	- May 19	Stevenson Park
SR Class Picture	- May 21	Girls Gym
Senior Scholarship Award Night	- May 25	Dr. Myrlene Kennedy Auditorium
Junior-Senior Prom	- May 27	Moody Gardens
Finals	- May 25, 26, 30, 31	
Graduation	- June TBD	

SAT (Scholastic Aptitude Test)

Test Date	Registration Deadline
October 1	September 1
November 5	October 7
December 3	November 3
January 21	December 21
March 11	February 10
May 6	April 7
June 3	May 9

ACT (American College Test)

Test Dates	Registration Deadline
September 10	August 5
October 22	September 16
December 10	November 4
February 11	January – check website
April 8	March – check website
June 10	May – check website

Register early ON-LINE at www.collegeboard.com

ON-LINE at www.act.org

ETS Code for Friendswood High School #442-625

SENIOR YEARBOOK DEADLINES

*Senior Yearbook Pictures – December 2 (must be taken by Chadwick's for the yearbook)

*Senior Ads & Senior Ambitions – December 9



FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL - AUGUST 22, 2016 FRESHMAN ORIENTATION

ALL INCOMING 9TH GRADERS WILL REPORT TO THE FHS CAFETERIA AT 8:33 AM. FRESHMAN WILL GO THROUGH A MORNING ORIENTATION CONSISTING OF A WELCOME, INDIVIDUAL MEETINGS WITH THEIR CLASSROOM TEACHERS, AND AN ENDING TO THE MORNING WITH LUNCH AT 11:35 AM. STUDENTS ARE ENCOURAGED TO BRING A SACK LUNCH OR MONEY TO PURCHASE LUNCH. THE DAY WILL CONTINUE WITH ALL FHS STUDENTS ON CAMPUS BEGINNING AT 12:00 NOON, WITH DISMISSAL AT 3:44 PM. FOR FRESHMAN STUDENTS: BUSES WILL RUN AT THE REGULAR SCHEDULED TIME IN THE MORNING AND AFTERNOON. IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE CALL FISD TRANSPORTATION AT 281-996-2500.

9th-12th GRADE RETURNING STUDENT REGISTRATION PROCEDURES (Includes incoming 9th graders from FJH)

PACKET PICKUP

August 11th – 12th All GRADE LEVELS – all day in the cafeteria
You may continue to pickup registration folders during registration dates. The folders will be in the cafeteria.

REGISTRATION TIMES

You may register multiple children in your family on any given date.

***NEW** Families with FJH and FHS students may pay for their registration fees at either location.

August 15th - Senior Registration 9:00 am – noon; 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm (only senior schedules available)

August 16th - Junior Registration 9:00 am – noon; 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm (only junior and senior schedules available)

August 17th - Sophomore Registration 9:00 am – noon; 1:00 pm – 4:00pm (only sophomore, junior and senior schedules available)

August 18th - Freshman Registration 9:00 am – noon; 1:00 pm - 5:30 pm

New Student/Freshman Parent meeting 6:00 pm

August 17th – Link Crew Fish Camp for incoming 9th graders, 9am – 11am, boys gym

Freshman/New students to district – These students will not receive schedules until after mandatory 6:00 pm meeting. New students must have first registered in the Counseling Center. See website for more information concerning *New Student Registration*.

(http://www.fisd12.net/parents/register_hs.html)



ATTENTION

Link Crew Leaders!

Juniors and Seniors: Who signed up in May!

***If you signed up in May your Name will be under the Link Crew link on Mrs. Barnell's Webpage!**

Link Crew Leaders will welcome the freshmen and make them more comfortable in a transition year through an exciting orientation day and activities throughout the first semester.

If you questions please email me at sbarnell@fisdk12.net.

The following dates are mandatory in order to be in Link Crew.

- Link Crew Training Day – Wednesday, August 10th @ 9:00am – 10:30am**
 - Freshman Orientation Day – Wednesday, August 17th @ 9:00am – 11:00am**
- Please Meet in the Boy's Gym Both Days!**

Important New Information for the 2016-2017 School Year

Chromebook Initiative In English

FHS had an exciting year with the implementation of Chromebooks in all Science, Social Studies and Math classes. This next year FHS is excited to introduce Chromebooks in our English classes. The focus will be on student engagement in the required content area driven by the use of technology and 21st century skills. The Chromebooks will be used for collaboration, communication, problem solving and critical thinking with the focus on publishing and creating a product.

Chromebooks are computers that run Chrome OS as the operating system and are designed to be used primarily while connected to the Internet. These devices will be used to support instruction, access student online eBooks in English, and run applications that can enhance learning.

FISD District Dress Code 2016-2017

FISD DISTRICT DRESS CODE

The Friendswood Independent School District (FISD) maintains dress and grooming standards because students should dress and groom themselves in a manner considered acceptable and appropriate by the community. FISD believes the business of school is learning, and school dress and grooming standards should support the learning environment, along with promoting a safe, orderly learning environment. The FISD Dress Code is also established to teach grooming, hygiene, instill discipline and modesty, teach respect for authority, and prepare students for the future. School is a place of business; therefore the dress and grooming of a student should reflect the serious intent of one who is going to work. Accordingly, dress and grooming standards should promote a business-like atmosphere, which is comfortable, but not too casual, free from disruption, and easily enforced by teachers and administrators.

The parent and student shall be responsible for ensuring the student is in compliance with all aspects of the Dress Code when the student enters the school premises, and during the time the student is on school premises during school hours. Each student and parent shall be responsible for ensuring compliance with the standards presented in the campus Manual/Handbook. Failure to comply will result in the student being required to change clothes, and/or correct the infraction to meet the standards. Any clothing deemed inappropriate for the educational setting by the administration; along with the ruling of the building principal regarding compliance or non-compliance with the Dress code and the corresponding consequences assigned for the violation are final. Students whose religious beliefs require exemptions from the District's Dress Code in any way may be granted an exemption, provided the student presents a written statement, expressing a religious objection to the Dress Code which the District determines valid.

The student and parent may determine the student's personal dress and grooming, provided the following standards are met:

1. Hair must be a color that can be grown naturally, neat and well groomed. Mohawk type haircuts, distracting styles, hair carvings, shaved designs or lines are not permitted.
2. Hats, caps, sport-type headbands, or any other types of head covering garments are not to be worn on campuses during school hours. No hooded sweatshirts should be worn with the hood on inside the building. Bandanas may not be worn or carried.
3. Students must be clean-shaven. Goatees, beards and moustaches or any other facial hair are prohibited.
4. A modest appearance must be maintained when standing, sitting, or bending.
5. Inappropriate clothing includes, but is not limited to strapless garments, spaghetti straps, low-cut shirts, tube tops, open underarm shirts, see-through/fishnet shirts, tank tops, pajama tops or bottoms, boxer shorts, and clothes which exposes the midriff or the underarm. *At the Pre-Kinder through 5th grade levels, tank tops are acceptable with straps wider than a 3-finger width strap. At the 6th through 12th grade levels, all shirts/blouses/dresses are to have fully attached sleeves, shoulders must be covered at all times.*
6. Pants or shorts shall be appropriately sized and worn at the natural waist with or without a belt. Oversized or excessively baggy clothes are not permitted.
7. Shorts, skirts, or dresses, to include top of slit on short, skirt or dress, must be middle fingertip length.

8. Cut-offs and jeans with tears above the knee are not permitted.
9. Leggings, yoga pants, spandex, biking shorts, or similar material (except those that are worn in a school sponsored activity) cannot be worn unless they are covered by shorts, a skirt/dress or shirt which meets the middle fingertip length.
10. Appropriate undergarments must be worn, and must not be visible at any time.
11. Full-length coats, such as those commonly referred to, as "trench" coats are not permitted.
12. Non-wheeled shoes are to be worn at all times. House shoes/slippers are not permitted.
13. Permanent or non-permanent tattoos, along with writing, drawing or stamping on the skin cannot be visible.
14. Body piercings are limited to the ear. Plugs, tunnels, and spacers are not permitted, along with eyebrow, nose and tongue rings.
15. Jewelry, heavy chains or trinkets may not be noisy or distracting. Any accessory which could be deemed unsafe, to include, but not limited to spiked bracelets/chokers/watch-bands, dog collars, or locks.
16. Any clothing or accessory which may be deemed to represent gang affiliation (real or implied) are not permitted, along with any clothing or accessory which may be deemed to be offensive or degrade any student population. This includes Gothic style dress.
17. Any clothing or accessory which advertises or is related to alcohol, tobacco, drugs, sex, or any other substances students are prohibited from having at school, are not permitted. Students may not wear suggestive or inappropriately located decorative patches, insignia, or clothing with improper advertising, pictures, slogans or statements.
18. Clothing or accessories that in any way suggest disrespect for the American flag are not permitted. Slogans or drawings representing local, country, state or federal detentions are not permitted.