

Summit High School
An Agreement with the Parents and
Members of the Graduating Class

It is the position of Summit High School and the Summit Board of Education that Commencement should be dignified, meaningful to the class and a source of genuine pride for the graduates and the community. To this end, the cooperation, assistance and support of parents and seniors are sought. This written agreement is intended to provide a clear understanding of the conditions required of seniors who plan to participate in the Commencement ceremony scheduled for 6:00 p.m., Wednesday, June 19, 2019 (7:00 p.m. for indoor graduation due to inclement weather). For those who choose not to enter into this agreement or not to participate under these conditions, diplomas will be presented privately after June 19.

It is understood that:

1. Summit High School faculty and administrative staff will plan and organize all details necessary to the Commencement program.
2. The outdoor ceremony will be conducted at Investors Bank Field at Tatlock Park and an unlimited number of guests for the graduation will be accommodated if it is outside.
3. Three rehearsals for the class will be required and they will be scheduled on the afternoon of Wednesday, June 12, the afternoon of Tuesday, June 18 and the morning of Wednesday, June 19. Attendance at rehearsals by students is **mandatory**. Any requests for exceptions must be submitted in writing to Mrs. Grimaldi by Friday, May 31.
4. Diplomas will be presented to each member of the class on an individual basis.
5. A professional team of photographers will photograph every senior at the moment that the diploma is presented. There will be no obligation to parents to order photographs.
6. A commemorative program will be provided for the graduates and family members.
7. Appropriate acknowledgment of academic achievement will be made in the program.

Participation in the Commencement ceremony is a privilege, not a right. Students who choose not to follow the established expectations should not plan to participate.

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Student Responsibilities

1. Attendance at all rehearsal sessions is **required** as well as full cooperation with staff members assigned. Any requests for exceptions must be submitted in writing to Mrs. Grimaldi by Friday, May 31.

2. Any behavior which draws attention to individual graduates or which detracts from the dignity of the ceremony itself will result in exclusion from the ceremony. A high school administrator will have the final decision in denying a graduate's participation.

3. Full compliance with the Board of Education policy on substance abuse is expected. Students who feel they must include alcohol or drugs as part of their observance of the occasion should not plan to attend the ceremony.

4. All obligations for return of books and other school property must be met not later than June 14. Diplomas and transcripts will be withheld until all obligations are met.

5. Respect for public as well as private property is expected of Summit's students.

The agreement for participation in graduation is understood and accepted.

PRINCIPAL _____

GRADUATE _____
(Please Print)

GRADUATE SIGNATURE _____

PARENTS/GUARDIANS _____
(Please Print)

PAR/GUAR. SIGNATURE _____

***** THIS AGREEMENT MUST BE RETURNED BY JUNE 14, 2019 *****