

May 7, 2024

Hello Soldan ISHS Class of 2024 families!

Are you counting down to May 18? It is a little over a week from now. Let's finish the semester strong. AP exams continue this week, and senior final exams start on Thursday, May 9. We have modified the senior exam schedule to accommodate graduation practice. The updated exam schedule is below. Contact teachers if an exam needs to be taken at an alternate time.

May 9 – periods 5, 6, 7, 8	All days listed are <u>full days</u> of school. The last official day
May 10 – periods 1, 2	for seniors is on Friday, May 17. Attendance will continue
May 13 – periods 3, 4	to be calculated until this time.

We will have a couple of graduation practices at school leading up to the big day. Additionally, we have scheduled time to practice at Harris-Stowe State University on May 14 at 10:00 am. **All graduating seniors are expected to participate in the upcoming practices, even if their schedules are restricted.** Field trip permission forms will be sent home with students later this week.

Prior to being cleared for graduation, seniors must complete the checkout process. This will take place May 14-17. During this time, seniors must meet with their counselors to ensure graduation requirements are met and exit surveys are completed. They must return their district laptop and charger, pay all fees/fines, and return sports uniforms and textbooks. Students will receive their cap/gown and seven graduation tickets once they are cleared.

Lastly, credit recovery courses through SchoolsPLP must be completed by May 9, 2024. Tutoring is available Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 2:15-5:15 pm through May 16. Tutoring is *mandatory* for all seniors who are failing one or more classes. Additionally, if seniors with an hourly attendance below 80% complete a minimum of fifteen (15) hours in tutoring <u>AND</u> increase their attendance from April 22 through May 15, I will give them the opportunity to walk at the graduation ceremony if they meet the graduation requirements. Note: This is not a time to socialize with friends. Students must check in and out, bring their laptops, and assignments to work on quietly without disrupting others. If students do not have any assignments to complete, they can read a book. The activity buses are available after tutoring.

As a reminder, following criteria are required to participate in any senior activity, including graduation.

- On track to pass the required 24 credits by May 2024. This includes credit recovery classes in SchoolsPLP.
- **80%** Hourly Attendance or higher (*This has been lowered from 90%*.)
- No Type 1 infractions or serious infractions this school year
- Passed the US and Missouri Constitution Tests
- Taken four End of Course (EOC) tests in English 2, Algebra 1, Biology, and Government
- Taken the ACT and the ASVAB or Accuplacer
- Completed the state mandated CPR instruction
- Returned all technology (laptop & charger) and books; has no outstanding fees/fines

Grades and attendance can be monitored 24/7 in Tyler SIS. All senior communications can be found on <u>our website</u>. Please contact counselors, the Senior Sponsors Mr. Kron or Ms. Norman, or me with any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

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