



WAUBONSIE VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL

Class of 2021 Senior Newsletter

Save the Dates

Seniors, over the past four years, your class has contributed tremendously to the Warrior Tradition. You can be proud of your accomplishments in academics, activities, and athletics. As we prepare to celebrate your achievements, this newsletter includes important events, dates, and reminds you of responsibilities necessary for a successful graduation. Enjoy this final semester. *Finish strong, Go Warriors!*

SENIOR GRADUATION

Commencement – May 28, 2021 (Rain Dates: May 29 & May 30)

For the first time, we will host our Graduation ceremony outside on our campus. As the date approaches, exact times and capacity details of the ceremony will be determined in accordance with local health guidelines.

Participation: We are asking Senior students and families to confirm if they plan to participate in the Graduation ceremony so we are able to more accurately plan for graduates and guests. If you have not already done so, please take this graduation survey: <http://forms.gle/kFk5kOfVWZ1zSHpN8>

Tickets: Due to necessary safety precautions, limited seating is available. **Seniors will receive two (2) tickets which will be distributed immediately following the mandatory graduation practice on Thursday, May 27th.** There will not be a waiting list for additional tickets. If you have specific questions, please contact Assistant Principal, Montrine Johnson at Montrine.Johnson@ipsd.org.

Graduation Practice – Graduation Practice will be held on Thursday, **May 27th**. All seniors participating in graduation, including January graduates, are required to attend graduation practice. As the date approaches, exact times and details will be determined in accordance with local health guidelines.

Graduation Attire - Business professional attire is to be worn for the commencement. Gym shoes, flip flops, and blue jeans are **not** allowed. Students who are not properly dressed will not be allowed to participate in the ceremony. Students will keep their gowns at the conclusion of the ceremony.

Senior Check Out Requirements: During checkout, seniors will turn in Chromebooks, case and chargers, textbooks, library books, etc. after senior finals to the LMC. Seniors taking AP exams will be allowed to keep their Chromebook until their AP exams are completed.

Senior Obligations and Fines - All class, library or activity/athletic obligations and fines must be cleared by **Tuesday, May 25th**. Please be sure to check your PushCoin account at the beginning of May and periodically after that to see if there are any additional fees or fines owed. Payment may be made via PushCoin. Those with outstanding obligations will **not** receive tickets at graduation practice. Once obligations have been met, tickets will be given. Students with outstanding balances will not be given transcripts until the balance is cleared.

SENIOR EVENTS

Senior Sailabration 2021 – As we continue our 2021 Senior Sailabration cruise through 2nd semester, we hope you will join us at: <http://www.wvhsboosters.org/sr-sailabration.html> Once registered for Sr. Sail 2021, you will receive regular emails on upcoming events as well as event sign up links. You're starting an exciting adventure this last semester of high school. Make memories & make the most of it!

Green & Gold Awards - This program is our senior top honors award ceremony that recognizes outstanding departmental success. During the week of May 3rd, WV Administration, Department Chairs and representatives will be celebrating our seniors with an award delivered to their doorstep. An announcement of all winners will go out after all awards have been delivered and we will also release a Warrior Update episode over the recognitions. We hope to return this ceremony to in-person celebration for the 21-22 school year.

Week of May 3rd

-Green & Gold Awards

May 8th

-Prom: Time TBD

Bolingbrook Golf Club

May 19th & 20th

-Cap & Gown Distribution

8 a.m. to 1 p.m. – May 19th

11 a.m. to 4 p.m. – May 20th

May 25th

Senior Picnic

--Details to Follow

May 25th

-Senior Finals Periods 1-4

-Senior Obligations/Fines Deadline

May 26th

-Senior Finals Periods 5-8

May 26th

Last Day of Classes for Seniors

May 26th

Commemorative Ceremony

(f/k/a Baccalaureate)

--Live-Streamed, Virtual Ceremony

May 27th

-Graduation Practice

-Graduation Ticket Distribution

@ grad practice

May 28th

[Rain Dates 5/29 or 5/30]

-Waubonsie Valley High School

@ Dick Kerner Stadium

Time TBD

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Prom - Waubonsie Valley Student Council is doing everything we can to preserve this long-standing tradition of a spring prom. At the current moment, we are keeping our date of Saturday, **May 8th** and our venue of Bolingbrook Golf Club. To keep in accordance with safety guidelines, we anticipate that this dance will be senior only and no outside guests allowed. Once details are finalized, we will release cost, exact times, sign-ups, etc. Be on the look out for this information. In the meantime, save the date!

Senior Picnic - The senior picnic will be held on **May 25th** immediately following school dismissal. Please watch for announcements on this. We will update our senior community as the details for this event are finalized.

Commemorative Celebration for the Class of 2021 - Commemorative Celebration, an inspirational farewell address for the graduating class, will take place on Wednesday, **May 26th**. Although we are not able to celebrate as formally as we have in the past, we are welcoming families to celebrate their senior at this live-streamed, virtual ceremony.

OTHER INFORMATION

Senior Finals - Senior finals will be administered on Tuesday, **May 25th** (during periods 1 – 4) and Wednesday, **May 26th** (during periods 5 – 8).

Senior Final Transcripts - A "Senior Information Form" will be posted to <http://www.waubonsiestudent.org/> after spring break. This form will collect information regarding your post-secondary plans, including where to send your final transcript. All seniors are expected to complete this form regardless of their post-secondary plans. Students unsure of their plans can have their final transcript mailed to their home address. Final transcripts will be available and sent out in mid-June.

Indian Prairie Scholar Cords - Students who are Indian Prairie Scholars have received cords to symbolize their academic accomplishments. Cords were distributed at Indian Prairie Scholar Ceremony on March 16th. This cord is to be worn at Graduation. If the cord is lost prior to graduation, then there is a replacement fee. Please contact the main office for further direction.

Immunization Records - All colleges and universities require immunization records. Students will receive copies of their immunization records in their ticket envelope at graduation practice.

Selective Service - Almost all male U.S. citizens, and male aliens living in the U.S., who are 18 through 25, are required to register with Selective Service. A card from the government 'Reminder Mailback Card' will be sent home a few weeks before your birthday that is to be mailed back, or you may register at your local Post Office, or online at www.sss.gov. It makes you eligible for federal jobs, job training and federal student loans. So remember, within thirty (30) days of your 18th birthday, register.

PTA Yard Signs - "Waubonsie Valley Congratulations" signs will be placed in the yards of the Class of 2021 from Thursday, April 29th, through Sunday, May 2nd. These signs are provided to the entire Class of 2021 and are sponsored by the PTA with no cost to you. Please do not call to inquire about your sign placement prior to May 3rd. Contact is Teri Burlingame at tburlingame@sbcglobal.net.

Graduation DVD - WVTM Media Production students will be live-streaming the Class of 2021 graduation ceremony on YouTube at wvtvmedia.org. The ceremony will also be archived for free on-demand viewing on YouTube for a limited time. For more information or to purchase a copy of the ceremony, e-mail wvtv@ippsd.org or call 630-375-3248.

Graduation Cap and Gown Orders - If you have not yet placed an order for your Graduation Cap & Gown or Announcements, ordering can be done online at www.highschool.herffjones.com or at (815) 756-4743. Caps & Gowns will be distributed on Wednesday, **May 19th** from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. and Thursday, **May 20th** from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the atrium.

Graduation Announcements - Graduation Announcements will be delivered to WV the week of March 22nd and distributed to the Seniors who ordered them shortly thereafter. Contact Herff Jones at www.herffjonesil.com or call (815) 756-4743 if you need additional information.

Graduation Day Diploma Pictures - Photos will be taken as students receive their diplomas at Waubonsie Valley High School on **May 28th**. GradImages will send picture proofs to your email listed in ParentVue within 48 hours of the graduation. Please be sure that your current email address has been updated on ParentVue. Ordering for these pictures can be done online. Contact Information: www.gradimages.com or call (800) 261-2576.