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TO: Parkview High School Senior Parents

FROM: Dr. Eric Ramsey

SUBJECT: Senior Activities

Spring is nearly here, and seniors' vision of their graduation, post high school education, and/or careers are beginning to take shape. With less than 3 months left of their senior year, it is also a time that can be confusing, stressful, and exciting all at the same time. Many of those anxieties and stresses can be resolved with proper planning and communication. A calendar of important events for seniors and their parents is included. It will also be on the Parkview website. **Please read it carefully and post in a place that will allow you to reference it as needed.**

Our commencement ceremony is scheduled for Thursday, May 20<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 p.m. in JQH Arena. Students should arrive no later than 8:00 p.m. and enter Hammons Student Center through the east gym. Once checked in, students will not be allowed to leave until the conclusion of the ceremony. Parking is available in various lots at Missouri State. Spectators may enter JQH Arena through the southwest, northwest, or southeast doors. At the conclusion of the ceremony, students will be escorted out of the arena and will receive their diploma. Parents and guardians may meet their student on the northeast exterior corner of JQH Arena.

While graduation is certainly a time for celebration, the ceremony itself should remain dignified. Parkview has a long tradition of excellent attendance, honor, and respect for the commencement ceremony, and we expect to continue that tradition. **Appropriate attire for senior boys is dark trousers, light colored shirt, tie, dress shoes and socks. Appropriate attire for girls would include a dress and dress shoes or a nice pant suit. Students are not to wear athletic shoes or jeans. No other accessories can be added to the Parkview cap and gown. Purses, yearbooks, flowers, cameras, and cell phones should not be brought.** Students not in compliance may not be allowed to walk in the ceremony. Please note that a photographer will be present to take pictures of all students as they receive their diploma.

The Springfield Public School District requires that students must meet all graduation requirements in order to participate in commencement. Another commencement ceremony will be conducted at the end of summer school for students who complete the graduation requirements during that semester.

On a personal note, I want to thank the senior class for being such great leaders and role models at Parkview. Your maturity and focus on making Parkview a great school is much appreciated by the administration, teachers and the community. On behalf of the Parkview staff I want to thank everyone that has been involved with the development, support, and encouragement provided to each of the Parkview seniors for the past 13 years.

**IMPORTANT DATES FOR  
PARKVIEW HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS CLASS OF 2021**

MAR 30 <sup>th</sup>	THUR	<b>SENIOR ASSEMBLY</b> – 8:15am – 11:00 am Parkview Gym. <b>Mandatory Commencement Practice</b> ; Seniors are expected to be in afternoon classes.
APR 1 <sup>th</sup>	THUR	<b>DEADLINE FOR SENIOR AWARDS</b> – Enclosed Senior awards forms are to be turned in to the Counseling Office by this date. Late submissions <b>will not</b> be in the program.
APR 12 <sup>th</sup>	MON	<b>PROM TICKET SALES</b> – Prom tickets will cost \$25 each. Guests must be an active SPS student that is a Senior or Junior. Guest forms are available from Mrs. Green and must be returned to Mrs. Green no later than April 29 <sup>th</sup> . <b>NO EXCEPTIONS</b> The form must be approved <b>BEFORE</b> purchasing tickets. Please see financial letter enclosed for information about fines.
APR 16 <sup>th</sup>	FRI	<b>DEADLINE FOR MEMORIES ASSEMBLY PHOTOS</b> – Electronic ( <a href="mailto:theviewmemories@gmail.com">theviewmemories@gmail.com</a> ) or hard copy submissions.
APR 29 <sup>th</sup>	THUR	<b>DECISION DAY CELEBRATION</b> – Details to be announced at a later date. Please check Parkview's website for updates. <a href="https://www.sps.org/parkview">https://www.sps.org/parkview</a>
APR 30 <sup>th</sup>	FRI	<b>SENIOR CLASS MEETING</b> – 1:30 pm in the gym. Students must be present the first three blocks on this day to attend prom. The meeting will include instructions for prom. Seniors may leave after the meeting.
APR 30 <sup>th</sup>	FRI	<b>PROM</b> – Location TBD, 8:00 pm to 11:00 pm <a href="https://www.sps.org/parkview">https://www.sps.org/parkview</a>
End of April		<b>COMMENCEMENT ANNOUNCEMENTS</b> – Delivery will be announced at a later date. Please check the Parkview's website for updates. <a href="https://www.sps.org/parkview">https://www.sps.org/parkview</a>
MAY 4 <sup>th</sup>	TUE	<b>A+ BRUNCH &amp; CELEBRATION</b> – for all A+ Qualifying Seniors – 1:45pm in the Café
MAY 7 <sup>th</sup>	FRI	All <b>LIBRARY</b> materials due.
To Be Announced		<b>CAPS &amp; GOWNS</b> – Herff Jones delivery will be announced at a later date. Please check Parkview's website for updates. <a href="https://www.sps.org/parkview">https://www.sps.org/parkview</a>
MAY 13 <sup>th</sup>	THUR	<b>MEMORIES ASSEMBLY</b> – Time to be determined at a later date.
MAY 14 <sup>th</sup> – 19 <sup>th</sup>	FRI-WED	<b>SENIOR FINALS</b>
MAY 16 <sup>th</sup>	SUN	<b>BACCALAUREATE</b> – TIME AND PLACE TO BE ANNOUNCED AT LATER DATE PLEASE CHECK PHS WEBSITE FOR UPDATES <a href="https://www.sps.org/parkview">https://www.sps.org/parkview</a> Attendance is optional. All seniors should wear caps and gowns.
MAY 20 <sup>th</sup>	THUR	<b>COMMENCEMENT PRACTICE</b> – 8:00 am – 11:30 am in the gym. This practice is <b>MANDATORY</b> .
MAY 20 <sup>th</sup>	THUR	<b>COMMENCEMENT</b> - 9:00 pm in JQH Arena on the MSU Campus. Seniors must report to the East Gym of Hammons Student Center by 8:00pm. Ticketing and Attendance restrictions information will be sent out at a later date. Please check Parkview's website for updates. Following Commencement exercises, seniors should report to assigned area to receive diploma packet. Diplomas will <b>NOT</b> be mailed and must be picked up by the STUDENT. <a href="https://www.sps.org/parkview">https://www.sps.org/parkview</a>
MAY 20 <sup>th</sup>	THUR	<b>PROJECT GRADUATION</b> – At Parkview High School this will be a 1 hour event held directly after graduation from 11:15pm – 12:15am. Sign up will be a google form

March 1, 2021

Dear Graduates & Parents:

**Parkview** is pleased to host Prom for the Class of 2021 **on April 30th from 8:00pm to 11:00pm. Location will be determined at a later date.**

In an effort to provide a safe environment for graduating seniors, we have developed the following **guidelines for health reasons.**

- The event is for **Seniors, they can invite juniors/seniors that are active students at an SPS school only.** Guest forms may be picked up from Mrs. Green and returned no later than April 29<sup>th</sup>.
- All attendees will be screened prior to admittance to ensure they are a Parkview student and that there are **no symptoms of illness.** If a student has a temperature of 100.0 degrees or greater, they will not be admitted.
- Students should **bring and wear a mask** during the event. If a student does not have a mask, one will be provided for them.
- Appropriate **social distancing** of at least three feet will be encouraged during the event.
- **No food** will be provided during the event.
- **Pre-registration** for the event is required. This will be completed upon purchase of the ticket at Parkview. Ticket sales are from April 12<sup>th</sup> – April 29<sup>th</sup> during school hours. Ticket cost is \$25 dollars.
- In addition, A **participation waiver** must be completed and signed by a parent for any student under the age of 18. The completed waiver will be **required for admittance.**

**Thank you** for understanding the need to establish protocols. These added safety measures enable us to reschedule rather than cancel the event.

We look forward to **celebrating this important milestone.** Please contact us at 523-9200 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,  
Dr. Eric Ramsey

Congratulations! Your child has made it to their senior year. With all the hard work it takes to get to this point you should be very proud that in just a few short months they will be graduating! With all that Senior Year involves I know this can all be overwhelming. You have student fees to pay, cap and gown to order, invitations to send out. In addition, they can't miss their Senior Prom, there are prom tickets and a special dress/tux for that night. Wow, seniors are exhausting, not to mention expensive!

All that to say I am here to help you anyway that I can in order to get those student fees out of the way before you have to finalize all the other expenses. I am happy to mention that we now offer payments using the new **MySchoolBucks** mobile app for all fees except Library and Cafeteria. With **MySchoolBucks** you'll be able to quickly browse school items in our School Store, be notified when fees are due, and make payments from anywhere!

**Get Started Today:**

1. Go to [myschoolbucks.com](http://myschoolbucks.com) or download the mobile app
2. Create your free account and add your students using their school name / student ID
3. Add school items or invoices to your cart
4. Check out using your credit / debit card or electronic check  
*A program fee may apply.*

We still accept cash or check payments in the finance office. Library fees will need to be taken care of with the Library. They can look up what your student owes and be able to let you know what books will need to be returned.

If you have any questions about the fees listed just give me a call and I will see what I can do and why it is listed. If there are fees that are SPS property, books, chrome books, uniforms etc. those may be returned, in good condition, and a credit will be applied to the account. It is just that easy!

I also want to mention that **Prom is April 30<sup>th</sup>** this year and all the student fees must be paid **BEFORE** they will be allowed to purchase a Prom ticket. **Tickets will only be available in the MySchoolBucks Store after April 12th.** Once all fees have been paid, you will be clear to purchase a prom ticket.

Don't delay give me a call today!

Latricia Wilkerson  
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Class of 2021 Senior Awards

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_

Use the back for other awards/recognitions received during your SENIOR year.

Please check the awards you earned during your Senior year and turn in to Counseling Office by **APRIL 1, 2021**.

**ACADEMIC AWARDS** you received your Senior Year:

	District	State	National
Academic Team			
Art			
DECA			
Drama			
FBLA			
FCCLA			
Journalism			
Math			
Music-Band			
Music-Orchestra			
Music-Vocal			
Science			
Speech & Debate			
Lassies			
Other			

**ATHLETIC AWARDS** you received your Senior Year:

	Conference	District	Sectional	State	Academic All Conf/Dist?
Archery					
Basketball					
Bowling					
Cheerleading					
Cross Country					
Fishing					
Football					
Golf (Girls)					
Soccer (Boys)					
Softball					
Swimming & Diving					
Tennis (Girls)					
Volleyball					
Wrestling					
Vikettes					
Other					

**ATHLETIC AWARDS** you received your Junior Year:

	Conference	District	Sectional	State	Academic All Conf/Dist?
Baseball					
Golf (Boys)					
Soccer (Girls)					
Tennis (Boys)					
Track & Field					
other					

**SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED** (even if you are not accepting):

Name of Awarding Institution	Name of Scholarship or Award