



Vista High School

2022-23 Graduation Information

Finals Schedule for Seniors only:

Thursday, June 1
Periods 1, 3, 5

Friday, June 2
Periods 2, 4, 6

Graduation is an event that VHS seniors and their families look forward to every year. It is a culmination of 13 years of schooling and the successful completion of high school graduation requirements.

It is the purpose of this information packet to provide graduating seniors and their families with important information regarding the end of the school year and the graduation ceremony. Please remember that this is a celebratory time of year, however, participation in senior pranks and the violation of school rules may result in a senior not being allowed to participate in the graduation ceremony at VHS.



Key Dates For Seniors:

April 26 Student of the Year Celebration

May 9 Cap/Gown Distribution

May 13 Junior/Senior PROM

May 30 Yearbook Distribution

June 5 Senior Awards Night

June 5 Senior Salute Breakfast

June 6 Senior Sunset

June 6 Graduation Rehearsal/Tickets

June 7 Commencement

June 9 Grad Bash – Universal Studios

CEREMONY

CLASS OF 2023

Wednesday, June 7, 2023



6:00 pm

Dick Haines Stadium

One Panther Way

Vista, Ca 92084

Stadium gates open at 4:30 pm

Parking is limited.

Please allow ample time for parking.

No umbrellas, balloons, coolers, or noisemakers are allowed into the Graduation Ceremony.



MARCHING PARTNERS

May 2 – May 5, 2023

Both partners must come to the Counseling office during lunch time May 2 – May 5, with proper ID, to register.

The list of marching partners will be posted at graduation rehearsal on June 6, 2023. Seniors must march in pairs. Students not wishing to choose a partner will be randomly assigned a partner.

CAP & GOWN DISTRIBUTION

Tuesday May 9, 2023 In the Main Quad at Lunchtime

All debts must be cleared before you may pick up a cap/gown.

Students may check in finance and in the library for the list of owed debts.



For seniors who wish to purchase a cap, gown, tassel and medallion, Jostens will be on campus in the Main Quad to sell them for \$30.

A free of charge rental cap, gown and tassel is available to all seniors. The free rental deadline is April 28, 2023. For more information, go to www.jostens.com

YEARBOOK DISTRIBUTION

**May 30(for Seniors only) May 31/June 2 for all grades
During Panther Time and Lunch (location TBD)**

Students must have their current Vista High School ID card in order to pick up a pre-purchased yearbook. Yearbooks may be purchased for \$95 at the Finance window.

Available while supplies last!





SENIOR AWARDS NIGHT

Monday, June 5, 2023

6:00pm

In the Gym

Students will be notified ahead of time if they are receiving recognition at this event. Family and friends are invited to attend this ceremony to honor the accomplishments of graduating seniors.

Awards and cash scholarships for academics and athletics will be presented. Please dress professionally.



APPROPRIATE DRESS FOR GRADUATION

**Graduation is a formal occasion.
Appropriate dress will be required.**

Examples of formal clothing include:

- dress pants
- shirts with collars
- ties
- dresses/skirts



- For safety, it is recommended that students wear low heel or flat shoes (because of the soft artificial turf).

Caps & Gowns:

- Seniors must enter the gym carrying the cap and gown on his or her arm ready for inspection.
- Caps (mortarboards) may be decorated but must be school appropriate. No offensive language or images will be tolerated in any way. The top of the hat is worn parallel to the ground. The tassel is worn over the right temple until the completion of the ceremony. The Senior class officers will lead the class in the turning of the tassels to the left side at the conclusion of the ceremony. Students should bring bobby pins and put the mortarboard on after the final security check in the gym.





GRADUATION REHEARSAL

Tuesday, June 6, 2023

Dick Haines Stadium

1:30 pm – 3:20 pm

Graduation Rehearsal is **MANDATORY** for **ALL** seniors participating in Graduation.

Students will receive **6** tickets at rehearsal.

No Additional tickets will be available.

COMMENCEMENT (Graduation Ceremony)

Wednesday, June 7, 2023

6:00 pm - 7:30 pm

Stadium gates open at 4:30 pm



Seniors need to check in at 4:30 pm in the gym. Seniors will enter the gym through the fire lane doors.

Seniors will then enter the main quad from the gym to begin the processional line to the field.

The ceremony will start promptly at 6:00 pm and will end at approximately 7:30 pm

- ◆ All students will be searched twice (once when entering the gym and a second time just before the ceremony) for alcohol/controlled substances, balloons, firecrackers, beach balls, etc. Anyone carrying these items will not be allowed to participate in the ceremony.
- ◆ Seniors will also be screened for sobriety at this time. Anyone under the influence will be prohibited from participating in the ceremony and turned over to the Sheriff's Department.

PARKING ACCOMMODATIONS



Since parking is highly limited on campus, families are encouraged to carpool for the Graduation Ceremony.

Handicap Parking – Additional handicap parking will be near the Agricultural Department at the north end of the main parking lot. Electric cart service will be available to take handicapped persons to special sections on the track. One adult may accompany the handicapped individual.



Friday, June 9, 2023



Check in at the buses at 11:30am on Friday, June 9. Buses will return to Vista High School at approximately 5:00am on Saturday, June 10



- ◆ Tickets are on sale in the Finance Office or via webstore now while supplies last. The cost is \$155.00 with Panther Pass or \$160.00 without.
- ◆ Seniors who attend Grad Bash should park in the student lot. Cars may remain on campus overnight.



DRESS CODE: Universal Studios has a strict dress code for Grad Bash. Rules sheet will be distributed at bus sign ups.