

***IMPORTANT INFORMATION!***



***Odyssey Early College & Career Options  
Graduation Ceremony***

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***Thursday, May 16, 2024***

***9:00 a.m. (graduates must arrive at 7:15AM)***

***Roy J Wasson Academic Campus Auditorium***

***Seating for guests begins at 8:30AM***



# *Agenda for Graduation Day*



Thursday, May 16, 2024

The graduation ceremony will begin at 9:00 a.m.

## **Arrive no later than 7:15 to room Dance Studio (194)**

**Graduation Photos will begin at 7:30 & Graduation Rehearsal will follow.**

Graduating seniors are to report to the Dance Studio (194), at **7:15 am**. Please be ready, as photos begin promptly at 7:30AM.

Students will then be directed to the rehearsal staging area immediately after having their photos taken.

**It is very important that all seniors be on time!** Principal Miller will provide important procedural details pertaining to the ceremony. Graduating seniors need to hear these comments so they will know exactly what to do before, during, and after the ceremony.

## **Diploma Packet Distribution**



Every graduating senior who participates in the graduation ceremony will receive a diploma cover on stage, not their diploma.

Information on picking up diplomas will be provided on graduation day inside of their diploma cover. Please contact Mrs. Crunkleton at 719-328-2025 or [wendy.crunkleton@d11.org](mailto:wendy.crunkleton@d11.org) if you have any questions.

**PLEASE NOTE:** If you intend to “return” to Odyssey ECCO as a 5<sup>th</sup> year student, specifically to attend PPSC, we must have already received your signed, Fall 2024 Concurrent Enrollment Agreement. In addition, you must have your PPSC schedule in place. Otherwise, you will be “dropped” from Odyssey ECCO as a graduate. Diplomas will be held until you exit PPSC/ Odyssey ECCO.

## **Proper Dress**

Graduation is a family event and a dignified and formal occasion. Business attire is highly recommended. Shorts, tennis shoes, T-shirts halter tops, and are discouraged. Dresses, dress slacks, dress shoes are highly encouraged. Corsages, boutonnieres, money or flower leis, or other similar family gifts are not permitted. D11 prohibits the decoration of caps during the ceremony. If a student arrives with decorations, they will be asked to remove them for the ceremony.

Graduation gowns are made of light weight, disposable material. When you receive your gown, you should try it on and steam or iron it on a low setting. Students will be notified via their D11 email when your gown is available for pick up. Students may wear their D11 gown for the PPSC graduation, Mrs. Kokes will have a PPSC tassel available with your gown purchase to wear at PPSC’s graduation. Both tassels may be worn at Odyssey ECCO’s graduation ceremony.

**If you have any adornments that have not been awarded to you by Odyssey ECCO or Pikes Peak State College, you need to make an appointment with Mrs. Miller through Renee Lacey at 719-328-2031. Any requests after April 30, 2024, will not be approved.**

**NO:** Corsages or boutonnieres or other adornments are to be worn on the cap or gown.

**NO:** Cap decorations. D11 prohibits this and we will be forced to have you wear a different one.

**YES:** Dresses, dress slacks, and dress shoes are highly encouraged.

## **Name Pronunciation**

Dr. Lamphere will be reading the first, middle, and last names of graduating seniors at the ceremony. Each graduating senior is requested to contact Dr. Lamphere, room 251D, before **May 13<sup>th</sup>** if they think there is a possibility that their name might be mispronounced.

## **Obligations**

Students should check with the Mrs. Kokes via email [Tamara.Kokes@d11.org](mailto:Tamara.Kokes@d11.org), or in the business office in Room 251A if they think they might have an unpaid debt to Colorado Springs School District 11. **All obligations MUST be paid on or BEFORE May 12<sup>th</sup>.**

## **Pictures of the Graduate**

Erik Cooper Photography ([www.erikcooperphotography.com](http://www.erikcooperphotography.com)) will be taking individual pictures of the graduates. Information for ordering pictures will be forthcoming. If you need to contact him directly, he can be reached at [Erik@Erikcooperphotography.com](mailto:Erik@Erikcooperphotography.com) or (719) 244-1185.



Odyssey ECCO will have additional decorated areas for photo opportunities after the ceremony. You are welcome to take all the photos with your family and friends you would like.

## **Cell Phones**

To keep our graduation ceremony dignified, please turn off your cell phone before entering the auditorium or leave it with a family member.

***Please remember that graduation is a dignified and formal ceremony!***

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## **Important Dates & Times for Graduating Seniors**

### **Pikes Peak State College Graduation:**

May 11<sup>th</sup>, 2024, at the Broadmoor World Arena  
The time has not yet been announced.

### **Last day for Odyssey ECCO Seniors on Campus**

Tuesday, May 10, 2024

**May 10, 2024 (IMPORTANT DAY) 8:00AM-10:15AM**

**8:00AM-9:00AM** Senior Awards Ceremony in the large auditorium. (Families are welcome and encouraged to attend.)

**9:00AM-9:30AM** FINAL Senior Meeting (Families are invited to attend and receive important information about graduation.)

**\*This is a MANDATORY in-person meeting!!**

**9:30AM-10:15AM** Senior Celebration Brunch (Seniors only)

**Laptop/equipment return, and yearbook pick up station will be set up in the cafeteria during brunch.**

### **Graduation Ceremony**

Thursday, May 16, 2024

**All graduating seniors are to report to the Dance Studio (194) at 7:15AM.**

8:30 Guests will be allowed into the Auditorium.

**9:00 am Graduation Ceremony will begin.**

## **Senior day of Graduation Checklist**

Make sure you have all the following before leaving for graduation.

- Comfortable shoes - preferably nice-looking ones.
- Cap - without decorations
- Tassel(s) - Odyssey ECCO tassel, you may also wear your PPSC tassel.
- Any honor cords, Odyssey ECCO or PPSC awarded cords.
- Any other regalia you have had approved by Mrs. Miller to wear. (This includes military, nationality, or religious sashes.)
- Gown – pressed/steamed and without creases if possible.
- Bobby pins – these help you keep your cap on your head.
- Cell Phone – Please remember to silence or turn off your phone during the ceremony.

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PERSONAL INFORMATION

Order Placers Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Student Name (If needed): \_\_\_\_\_

School: \_\_\_\_\_

Graduation Year: \_\_\_\_\_

File Name (for picture): \_\_\_\_\_