



GRADUATION 2024 INFORMATION BULLETIN



GRADUATION CEREMONY INFORMATION

Class of 2024 Graduation is on Friday, May 31, at 7:00 p.m. in the FHS main gym. We are anticipating 333 graduates at our ceremony. No tickets required. Doors for the Graduation Ceremony open at 5:30 p.m. The video feed also streams in the FHS auditorium during the Ceremony, and the live viewing link will be posted under "Graduation" on the FHS website for out-of-town family and friends.

• GRADUATION DRESS EXPECTATIONS

All graduating seniors participating in the diploma ceremony must wear the FHS cap, gown and stole. The cap, gown and stole are available for purchase through Jostens by contacting Jim Netz at (406) 452-6390. Tassels & Stoles are available for purchase at the FHS Main Office. Graduates must wear appropriate dress under their gowns, including shoes. **No tape, glitter, leis, bouquets, or any other adornments are allowed on the caps or gowns.** Requests for SB 319 exemptions must be made to Ms. Paine by Tuesday, May 21st.

• GRADUATION PHOTOGRAPHS

FHS staff photographers take graduation photos during the ceremony. All photos will be available on a google link and will be posted on the FHS website under "Graduation."

• GRADUATION REHEARSAL

The senior class assembly is in the main gym on Wednesday, May 29 at 1:30 p.m. Graduation rehearsal immediately follows the assembly in the FHS auditorium. All graduating seniors are expected to attend. Graduating Seniors receiving Merit and Distinction cords pick them up from the guidance counselors at this time. (Please see Distinction Applications on page 2).

• ICE CREAM PARTY

Seniors are invited to an ice cream party after graduation rehearsal in senior square. Prizes are given away at this time. Donations to this event can be made to FHS. Look for senior parent communications.

• ALUMNI CAP & GOWN WALK

Graduating seniors, get your caps and gowns ready for your honorary senior walk at your Elementary Schools! Thursday, May 30th at 10:30 am. Please stay tuned for announcements and details for participating schools and times. Those who attended KPS and partner schools are invited.

• SENIOR SCHOLARSHIP CEREMONY

Please plan on participating in our senior awards ceremony on Wednesday, May 22, at 6:00-9:00 p.m. in the FHS Auditorium. Seniors receiving awards are notified by Mrs. Bay in the Career Center. Award recipients are announced during this event. Over \$1 million is awarded each year to FHS graduates.

• STUDENTS ENTERING THE MILITARY

Any student enlisting in military service who wishes to be recognized during the ceremony please see Ms. Paine by Tuesday, May 21st.

• SENIOR PACKETS

Seniors receive a packet regarding graduation. The student's immunization record is included in the packet and will no longer be available from Flathead High School, so be sure to keep it in a safe place. Packets may be picked up beginning Monday, May 13th, from 8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the FHS main office.

• YEARBOOKS

Yearbooks are distributed during the last week of school for seniors. Cost is \$60.00.

• LOCKER CLEANOUT

Lockers must be cleaned out by Wednesday, May 29th. DO NOT remove the lock from the locker. All unclaimed items will be donated to local charities by June 28th.

• FEES & FINES PAYMENT

All school fees and fines must be paid before students receive their diploma insert at the graduation ceremony or their final transcript. All Senior fees and fines are printed weekly and posted outside the library. Payment is accepted at the main office until 3:30 p.m. on Thursday, May 30th. Students with outstanding fees come to the main office to pay them and pick up their diploma starting Monday, June 3rd. If you have or will be requesting a final transcript be sent to a college or university, the transcript is sent after all fees and fines have been paid.

DISTINCTION CORDS

Name of Recognition	Cord Worn at Ceremony	Brief Description of Accomplishment
IB Diploma	Orange Stole	Full IB Diploma (stole provided by school)
Summa Cum Laude	Orange	4.0 cumulative GPA through 8 semesters at FHS
Maxima Cum Laude	Orange & Black Twist	4.0 Cumulative GPA fewer than 8 Semesters at FHS
Magna Cum Laude	Silver	3.75 - 3.99 cumulative GPA through 8 semesters
Cum Laude	White	3.5 - 3.74 cumulative GPA through 8 semesters
Merit Distinction	Gold	6 IB credits - complete exams in 3 classes
Career Field Distinction	Red	3 credits Career Field Focus
Fine Arts Distinction	Lavender	4 consecutive credits Music w/ 2 music letters, or 4 credits Visual Arts, or 3 yrs. Theatre w/ 2 letters all w/3.2 GPA
Health Science Distinction	Teal	3 credits Bio Medical Science/ 3.2 GPA, participate in HOSA or Science Club
Engineering Distinction	Navy Blue	3 credits Engineering Focus /3.2 GPA
International Lang. Distinction	Light Blue	4 yrs, International Language Focus/3.2 GPA
Civics Distinction	Charcoal	4 credits of Social Science /3.2 GPA
Agriculture Distinction	Burgundy	4 credits Agriculture Ed., FFA

See Registration Handbook or Department Leader for additional requirements. The following Distinctions require a completed and signed application: Merit, Career Field, Fine Arts, Health Science, Engineering, International Language, Civics and Agriculture. All Distinction Applications are **Due May 13th to your Guidance Counselor**.

In order to be considered for Summa Cum Laude honors, students must maintain a 4.0 GPA through 8 semesters at FHS. Early graduates and junior graduate students that meet the 4.0 GPA requirement receive a black and orange cord. Students will receive their cords from the Guidance Counselors at the Senior Assembly/Grad Rehearsal Wednesday, May 29th at 1:30p.m.

All GPA distinctions are determined by Friday, May, 24th, 2024.

SEMESTER 2 FINAL EXAM SCHEDULE FOR SENIORS:

Tuesday, May 28, 2024

Period 1	8:15—9:05	Regular Class
Period 2	9:10—10:05	Regular Class
Period 3	10:10—11:00	Regular Class
Period 4	11:05—11:55	Regular Class
Early Lunch	11:55—12:35	
Period 5-1	12:35—1:25	Assessment
Period 5-2	12:00—12:50	Assessment
Late Lunch	12:50—1:25	
Period 6	1:30—2:20	Assessment
Period 7	2:25—3:15	Assessment

Wednesday, May 29, 2024

Period 1	8:15—9:05	Assessment
Period 2	9:10—10:05	Assessment
Period 3	10:10—11:00	Assessment
Period 4	11:05—11:55	Assessment
	11:55—1:30	Lunch
	1:30—3:30	Assembly, Graduation Rehearsal & Ice Cream Party

