



POPE SAINT JOHN PAUL II  
PREPARATORY SCHOOL

## 2025 SPRING SENIOR EVENTS

### [RESERVATION FORM: Baccalaureate Mass and Graduation Tickets](#)

Use the link above to request tickets for Baccalaureate Mass and Graduation by **April 1, 2025**. Please read below for details regarding seating capacity and ticket requests.

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#### **Junior/Senior Prom**

**Saturday, March 29, 8:00 - 11:00 p.m.**

- Location: Bagsby Ranch, 1628 Long Hollow Pike, Gallatin, TN 37066
- Cost: \$50 per person
- Ticket sales will begin on Monday, March 3 through Friday, March 21 using a link that will be provided for electronic payments. If a student needs to pay with a check or cash they will need to see Mrs Tuerff.
- *Students must arrive by 9:00 p.m. and cannot leave before 10:30 p.m.*
- *We have been asked to communicate that Foxland will not allow pre-prom photographs this year due to a special event that evening.*
- Contact: Jayne Tuerff ([jayne.tuerff@jp2prep.org](mailto:jayne.tuerff@jp2prep.org))

#### **Delivery of Graduation Cap, Gown, & Graduation Announcements (Jostens)**

**Friday, April 4, during lunch periods**

- Location: the Commons during lunch
- Baccalaureate and Graduation tickets will also be distributed at this time. (See ticket details in the Baccalaureate and Graduation sections below.)
- Contact: Carrie Melvin ([carrie.melvin@jp2prep.org](mailto:carrie.melvin@jp2prep.org))

## **Surf's Up Day**

**Friday, April 25, 8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.**

- Location: JPll Football Field
- Cost: No Cost (Pizza and drinks will be provided.)
- Dress: Students can dress in Hawaiian shirts, JPll gear, or casual/athletic gear. Shorts are appropriate for the day; please be mindful of length. Shirts must be worn at all times; no crop tops are allowed. Clothing should have no reference to drugs, alcohol, or political imaging.
- Contact: Jayne Tuerff ([jayne.tuerff@jp2prep.org](mailto:jayne.tuerff@jp2prep.org))

## **Lunch Accounts Must Be Current**

**Wednesday, April 30**

- The last day to charge accounts into the negative is April 30. All negative balances must be paid off by that day.
- Contact: Cory Sherrick ([csherrick@creativedining.com](mailto:csherrick@creativedining.com))

## **College Decision Day Celebration**

**Thursday, May 1**

Students are encouraged to wear a t-shirt representing their college decision to school on this day. Students must share their college with counselors by May 1 to be included in the graduation program. The celebration will be in the Commons during lunch.

## **Senior Assembly (for JPll high school students and faculty only)**

**Thursday, May 1, 2:15-3:10 p.m.**

Location: Auditorium

## **AP Exams**

**May 5 – May 16**

## **Last Day of Senior Classes (Senior Cookout and Shirt Signing)**

**Friday, May 9**

## **Senior Exams**

**May 12 – 14 (All exams must begin on May 12.)**

Students must have achieved at least an 80 average in semester 2 in a subject to be exempt from the final semester exam in that subject. Seniors exempt from an exam will not be required to be present for class on the day of the exam and will not be considered absent for the exam period. (There are no exams for Fine Arts and Physical Education courses.)

## **iPad Drop Off**

**May 12 - 16**

- During the week of May 12, please plan to turn in your iPad to the tech department in order to remove data and apps and return them to you with the factory settings. We will send out more information regarding iPads as we get closer to the date.
- Contact: Dan Singelyn ([dan.singelyn@jp2prep.org](mailto:dan.singelyn@jp2prep.org))

## **Graduation Practice - MANDATORY!**

**Thursday, May 15, 1:30 p.m.**

Location: Auditorium

- Please note: The school will distribute honor cords during graduation practice. The three available cords are Academic (members of the National Honor Society), Fine Arts (National Art Honor Society, National Thespian Society, outside school ensemble, four-year Singers or Honors Recipients), and Leadership (given to members of the Ministry class, senior House Council members, and Ambassadors who served through their senior year).

## **Senior Walk**

**Thursday, May 15, 2:45 p.m. (parents welcome)**

- Senior Arrival: Meet in the dining hall after graduation practice.
- Parent Arrival and Entrance: Parents may arrive beginning at 2:30 p.m., park in the faculty/staff parking lot, and enter through the main office.
- Seniors will take their last stroll through the halls of JP II and are encouraged, per tradition, to wear a t-shirt representing their college decision.

## **Senior Honors Night**

**Thursday, May 15, 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.**

- Location: Auditorium
- Reception at 6:00 p.m.
- Award Ceremony at 6:30 p.m.
- Dress: Sunday best
- Parents of students being honored will receive an email invitation one week in advance.
- Contact: Carrie Melvin ([carrie.melvin@jp2prep.org](mailto:carrie.melvin@jp2prep.org))

## **Baccalaureate Mass**

**Saturday, May 17, 7:00 p.m.**

- Location: Our Lady of the Lake, 1729 Stop 30 Road, Hendersonville 37075
- Senior Arrival: Seniors arrive at 6:00 p.m. and report to St. Joseph Hall. *\*See dress code below.*
- Family Arrival: Families should arrive no earlier than 6:30 p.m. due to Mass beforehand.
- Tickets: Tickets are required for parents and guests. No reserved seating. Each family will receive a maximum order of 5 tickets. Students or parents are asked to complete a Google Form (link above) to reserve the number of tickets they need by April 1. Requests for additional tickets may be emailed directly to Kyle Reynolds. We will do our best to accommodate additional ticket requests if other families indicate they do not need all of their tickets. Otherwise, all seniors will receive at most 5 tickets at the first distribution.
- Contact: Kyle Reynolds ([kyle.reynolds@jp2prep.org](mailto:kyle.reynolds@jp2prep.org))

## **Graduation**

**Monday, May 19, 7:00 p.m.**

- Location: Grand Ole Opry, 2804 Opryland Dr, Nashville, TN 37214
- Choir and Orchestra Arrival: 4:55 p.m. (Sound Check from 5:00 - 5:30 p.m.)
- Senior Arrival: 5:15 p.m. *\*See dress code below.*
- Senior Group Photo: 5:30-5:45 p.m. School photographer Mark Griffith will take a group picture, so please be on time and please wear your cap and gown.
- Rehearsal Walk Through: 5:45-6:15 p.m.
- Family Arrival: Doors open at 6:15 p.m. for families and guests.
- Tickets: Tickets are required for parents and guests. There is no reserved seating (except for the *Celebration* auction winners). All seniors will be given the maximum order of 20 tickets. Students or parents are asked to complete a Google Form (link above) to reserve the number of tickets they need by April 1. Requests for additional tickets may be emailed directly to Kyle Reynolds. We will do our best to accommodate additional ticket requests if other families indicate they do not need all their tickets. Otherwise, all seniors will receive at most 20 tickets at the first distribution.
- Contact: Kyle Reynolds ([kyle.reynolds@jp2prep.org](mailto:kyle.reynolds@jp2prep.org))

## **Project Graduation**

**May 19-20, 11:15 p.m. - 6:00 a.m.**

Location: TBD

- Senior Arrival: Seniors must arrive between 11:15 and 11:45 p.m. and stay for the entire event.
- Cost: Donations are appreciated.
- Contact: Andrea Stilwell ([andrea.stilwell@jp2prep.org](mailto:andrea.stilwell@jp2prep.org))
- *\*Additional details about this event will be sent later in the spring.*

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## **\*DRESS CODE for Graduates: Baccalaureate Mass and Graduation**

**Baccalaureate Mass:** Graduation Gown (no cap)

**Graduation:** Graduation Cap and Gown with provided tassel (decorated caps are not allowed)

The following should be worn underneath the graduation robe for both events:

- Men – white dress shirt, dark dress pants, school tie, dress shoes (no flip-flops or athletic shoes). Men must be clean-shaven for these events.
- Women – a dress of any color (consider color/pattern if it hangs below the robe), light tan or white shoes (no flip-flops or athletic shoes). Students will walk up a set of stairs to the stage; please be mindful when wearing high heels.

**Graduation Honor Cords:** *The three available honor cords are Academic (members of the National Honor Society), Fine Arts (National Art Honor Society, National Thespian Society, outside school Ensemble, four-year Singers or Honors Recipients), and Leadership (given to members of the Ministry class, senior House Council members, and Ambassadors who served through their senior year).*