

DIXON GRADUATION 2025



Wednesday, June 11th,
6:30 pm, Main Gym

Mandatory Graduation Rehearsal

- **Mandatory Rehearsal June 10th @ 12pm. Graduates must attend rehearsal to receive tickets and to participate in graduation.**
 - Junior Marshals must also attend practice
- Each graduating student will receive 5 tickets at rehearsal. Please note: School fees must be paid to receive tickets. All guests, including children, must present a ticket at the door.
 - If you need assistance paying fees, please speak to Ms. Godwin.
- Graduation Ceremony starts at 6:30 pm on June 11th

Graduation Attire – Formal Ceremony

- **Girls:** nice dress, dress slacks, skirt / top
- **Boys:** white dress shirt, tie, dark slacks or a suit
- **All:** dress shoes – no flip flops, Crocs, shower shoes, tennis shoes, high heels, or athletic shoes, no jeans or polo shirts

Graduation Attire – Formal Ceremony



- Caps should be flat, tassel on the right side – **no decorations**
- Only **school issued** cords, medals, stoles and other accessories can be worn with cap and gown
- **Following these guidelines = walking**
- Let us know privately if you struggle with getting any attire or if your student needs any accommodations walking

Tickets - Free

- 5 inside tickets, no extra tickets
- EVERY person must have a ticket, including babies
- If someone who is attending graduation needs handicap seating (cannot sit in bleachers) please email Mrs. Freshcorn-Morton at Stacy.morton@onslow.k12.nc.us She will be able to reserve two floor seats for you
- Students with all their fees paid will receive tickets at the mandatory rehearsal on June 10th at 12pm

Fees

- Clear all bills, fines, fees and other financial debts (uniforms, library fines, etc.) by May 30.
 - *Fees can be paid after this date, but we are asking that they are paid to avoid holding diplomas due to outstanding fees*
- Return laptops when your final testing is completed or by Friday, June 6th after testing
 - *Must include the charger or \$17 charge if lost*
- Check with Mrs. Edens in the office if you have any questions (kim.edens@onslow.k12.nc.us)

Mandatory Rehearsal, 6/10, 12 pm

- Report to the main gym
 - No food or drink – water bottles only
 - You may want to bring the shoes you intend to wear at graduation to practice walking in them

- Arrive early as you will find your assigned seat
 - Do not switch names around
 - Do not sit in a seat that is not your own

Mandatory Rehearsal

Tuesday, June 10th, 12 pm in main gym

- Students receive 5 graduation tickets at rehearsal.
- Rehearsal will last as long as it takes to have a clean run-through, therefore do not schedule work
- Rehearsal attendance is required to walk at graduation
 - Students who may have extenuating circumstances must contact Ms. Godwin before graduation rehearsal begins

Graduation Ceremony Times

Wednesday, June 11th 6:30PM

- Seniors report to assigned U-building rooms by 4:45.
- Door open to public 60 minutes (5:30 pm) prior to the start of the ceremony.
- No Balloons, Silly String, Airhorns, Posters
 - We want everyone to be able to see and celebrate their students too!
- No food in gym. Water bottles only
- **Doors will shut at 6:30pm sharp, no late admission.**

Graduation Slideshow

- Senior Photos will be used
 - If a senior photo is not available, we can:
 - Use a photo submitted by a parent or guardian; photo will be reviewed by counselor for appropriateness/consistency
 - Schedule a time for our Journalism team to take a photo
- The slide will list the following information which will be collected through the [Senior Survey](#)
 - Future plans (i.e., college, career, military endeavors)
 - Cords/Endorsements earned
 - Scholarships Awarded
 - **This information is due to Ms. Godwin by May 16th if you want it considered for the Award Ceremony** (Invitations will be sent out to approved award recipients)
 - The general deadline is May 30th for student who only want this information shown at Graduation

Items Not Allowed in Graduation Ceremony

- No tripods, strollers, umbrellas, balloons, noise makers of any kind, blow horns, etc.
- No outside food, drink, coolers, etc.
 - Water under chairs for the seniors

During the Ceremony

- Please be respectful of all and allow all names to be heard during the ceremony
- Always remain seated during the ceremony so all guests can see, even if taking pictures
- Please remain seated while taking pictures

After the Ceremony - Recessional

- Recessional – students will return to assigned classrooms in U-building to receive diplomas from Senior Advisors
- Parents and guests remain seated during the recessional and please do not approach students or follow students into U-Building
- Students will return to gym area to unite with families following diploma pick up

Discipline

- Seniors may be held from participation in the ceremony due to the following:
 - *Disciplinary records*
 - *Misbehavior during the final weeks of school*
 - *Misbehavior during senior walk, senior prank*
 - *Misbehavior at the practice or at the ceremony*
- Seniors will pick up actual diplomas after ceremony

Graduation Ceremony Participation

Seniors that do not pass classes required to graduate will not be in the graduation program or allowed to walk in the Graduation Ceremony!



PROJECT GRADUATION

Planned for Night of June 11, 2025 in Annex Gym



SENIOR SENDOFF

7 pm on May 17th, 2025

DHS Annex Gym

Free Admission for Seniors and their guests
Cake and Punch, Then & Now Slideshow, Class of 2025 Trivia, and Lantern
Release

Please RSVP: <https://forms.office.com/r/UrcbSythaq>

Please send your ONE baby picture to dixonjournalism@gmail.com

*we already have your senior picture unless you did not sit for one
RSVP and baby pictures due Monday, May 12th—no exceptions!

Senior Spirit Week

May 12th - 16th

Monday, May 12	Tuesday, May 13	Wednesday, May 14	Thursday, May 15	Friday, May 16
Senior Citizen/ Senioritis Day	Senior Toga Day - (School Dress Code applies)	Dress Like Your Future Self/Future Career Day	Human Yearbook - White T- shirt Day Leave your mark (handprint) on the spirit rocks during homeroom or all lunches	Decision Da y - College Shirt Day Also the <u>SENIOR</u> <u>WALK</u>

Senior Walk, May 16th

- Must have a cap and gown
 - Caps on, gowns zipped
 - Be conscious of weather
 - You cannot participate in senior walk without your cap and gown.
 - The gowns must stay zipped during the walk.

- Meet at 8AM at the Annex Gym

- Senior Walk- Walk order: DHS- 8:45 am, Dixon El- 9:15 am, Dixon Middle- 9:40 am, Coastal El- 10:10 am, Southwest Elem- 11 am

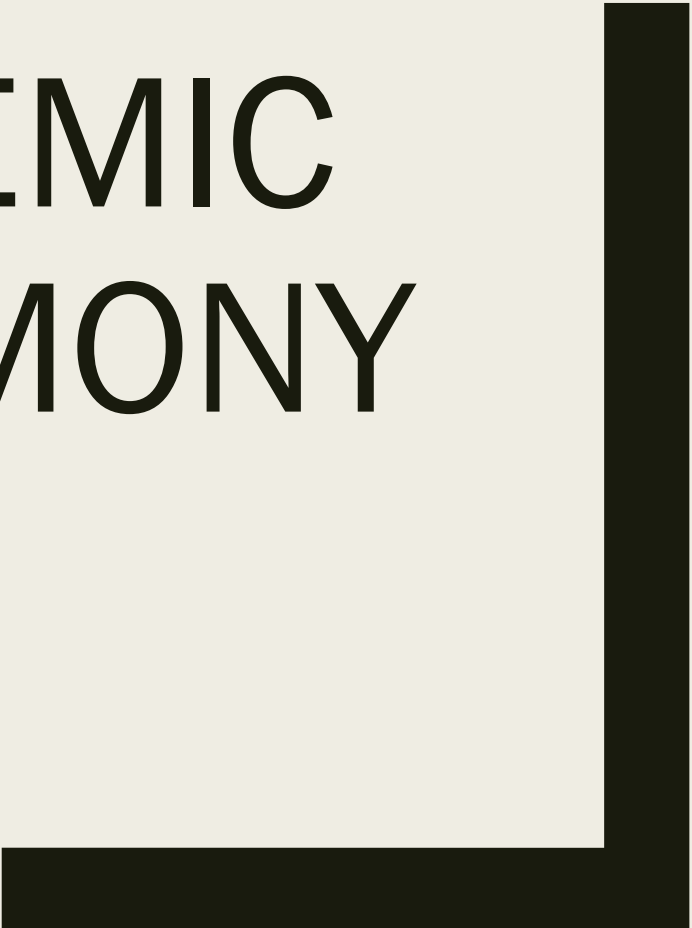
Senior Baccalaureate Service- hosted by area churches

- DHS Auditorium, Sunday, June 8th, at 3 pm



SENIOR ACADEMIC AWARDS CEREMONY

Thursday, May 29th, 6pm
DHS Auditorium
Ms. Godwin



Academic Awards – Auditorium

May 29th, 6pm

- Junior Marshals will receive an invitation

- Seniors:
 - Academic Cords
 - Local Scholarship awards
 - Marshal Ceremony

Check your email for an invitation. Please RSVP as soon as you receive this email.

Academic Cords for Graduation Day

Cord Color	Achievement/Club	Advisor
Braided Red/Blue Cord	Scores at or above: English 18, Math 22, Reading 22, Science 23	Fox/Godwin
Silver, Gold, or Platinum Cord	ACT WorkKeys Certification Exam score of silver, gold, or platinum	Fox/Godwin
Old Gold & White, double cord	At least 4 Advanced Placement (AP) courses taken/passed	Lovingood/Godwin
Purple & White	Student2Student	Godwin
Red & Yellow	4 World Language courses taken/passed	Vega/Godwin
Blue and Gold	National Honor Society	Henderson
Blue & White	Interact	Hnatko
Red, White, & Blue	Student Government Association	Boone
Gold Cord	NC Scholar (requirements)	Godwin
Dark Red	HOSA	Hudson
Maroon & White	Academic Excellence (3.75 weighted GPA)	Godwin
Blue, Pink & Yellow	Journalism	Bailey
Pink	Fine Arts	Saenz/Williams
Teal	Skills Center	Huie/Shannon
Lime Green	Internship	Huie

Cords

- Only school issued cords can be worn with cap and gown
- Club cords will be passed out by advisors
- If you feel like you should be awarded a cord, but there is nothing in SchoolCashOnline please speak to the advisor listed in the previous slide
 - Some clubs have collected dues to pay for the cords
- Cords will be given by club advisors, at Senior Awards night, and at Graduation Practice.
 - Non-purchased cords will be given to students by their Senior Advisor before Graduation begins and **MUST be returned to the advisor or paid for before** the student will be given their diploma
- Endorsement seals will also be delivered with the diploma.

Cords

- Cords given by club advisors: Student2Student, Interact, SGA, HOSA, Journalism, Fine Arts, Skills Center, FFA, Internship
- Cords given on Senior Awards Night: ACT, WorkKeys (Platinum & Gold), AP Course, 4 World Languages, National Honor Society *If you are unable to attend, you can pick up your cord any time after the 5/29 ceremony from the Guidance office.
- Cords given at graduation practice: NC Scholar, Academic Excellence, WorkKeys (silver)

Endorsements [Requirements](#)

Ms. Godwin is working on identifying eligible students. Please note that some students may not meet the requirements until final exam scores are returned.

Endorsement	GPA	Req. Core Courses	ACT	Add. Req.
Career	2.6 unweighted	Grad. Req. Completed	22 or higher ACT Reading Score	-CTE Concentration course (Level II) -Silver, Gold, or Platinum on WorkKeys
College	2.6 unweighted			N/a
UNC College	2.5 weighted	-Math 4+ -2 World Language		N/a
NC Scholar	3.5 unweighted	-Math 4+ -2 World Language -Chemistry or Physics	N/a	-4 electives in ONE subject area -3 Honors, AP, Advanced CTE/ENCRSC or Dual-Enrollment courses in 11th/12th
Global Language	2.5 unweighted	4 World Language sequence	N/a	N/a



GUIDANCE DEPT

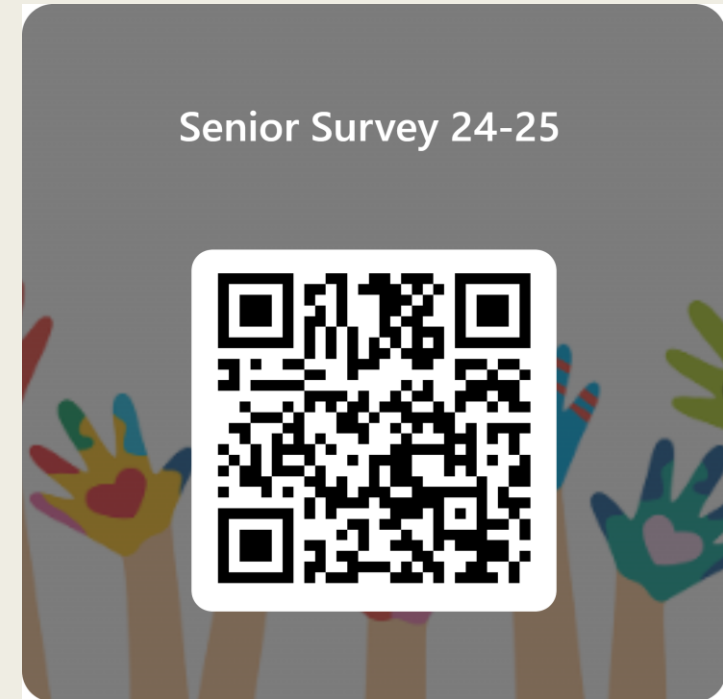
Counselor-Mrs. Godwin: Elaine.godwin@onslow.k12.nc.us

Counselor Assistant-Mrs. Smith: courtney.smith@onslow.k12.nc.us

Guidance receptionist-Mrs. Hardy: katherine.hardy@onslow.k12.nc.us

Seniors...Please Complete Senior Survey **by May 16th**

- This information will be used to
 - Contact you/your parents after graduation in the case of post-grad opportunities or concerns
 - Your graduation slide
 - School reports
- Link: <https://forms.office.com/r/2r15ZRn52f>
- **This information is due by May 16th.** If you receive any additional scholarships or awards after this date, please email the information directly to Ms. Godwin and indicate if you want the name or amount listed.



Announcements from Guidance

- Guidance website: [Guidance - Dixon High School](#)
- Graduation requirements and attendance policy
 - Must complete all requirements BEFORE graduation
 - Can't walk and finish later
 - There will not be a summer ceremony
- Final transcript submission
 - NC Public Universities/Community College --> CFNC.org
 - Any other: <https://forms.office.com/r/cvCGKLRsLe>
 - Graduates will continue to use this form; records move to the County office 2 years after graduation

Announcements from Counselors

- Cap and Gown Pick up
 - Orders paid in full are in the Front Office; orders with remaining balance must contact Jostens

- If you still need to order a new Cap and Gown
 - If you are using a cap and gown from a previous graduate, you will still need to purchase the diploma, diploma cover, and tassel for this school year.
 - Please call (910) 375-3886 if you are using the option above or have not ordered a package yet.
 - *If you need assistance obtaining a cap and gown, please contact Ms. Hardy*

Diplomas

- Names printed on diplomas will appear as it does on the student's birth certificate
 - Students may request their preferred name is called during the ceremony
- Diploma orders are only printed once by an outside agency.

Senior Dates

Event	Date	Time	Place
Senior Trip	April 25		Williamsburg, Busch Gardens
Senior Fees Due	May 30	2:15 pm	Office
Senior College Acceptance and Scholarship Info due to Guidance. Senior Survey Link	May 16		Office
Senior Walk	May 16	8:00- 12:00	Dixon El, Dixon Middle, Coastal El, Southwest Middle
Senior Sendoff – Graduates and Parents	May 17	7:00 pm	Main Gym
Senior Awards Ceremony	May 29	6:00 pm	DHS Auditorium
Senior Baccalaureate Service	June 8	3:00 pm	DHS Auditorium
Laptops Due (if no exams), If exams, then laptop is due after exam.	June 5 - 11th	2:15 pm	Media Center
Graduation Rehearsal	June 10	12:00pm	Gym
Graduation- Students arrive by 4:45, doors open to public at 5:30	June 11	6:30 pm	Meet in Gym
Project Graduation	June 11	9:00 pm – 6:00 am	Annex Gym