

# SWEET HOME CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

of Amherst and Tonawanda

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Greetings Sweet Home Graduating Class of 2025 and Families:

Our road to graduation to graduation is quickly approaching! We would like to take this opportunity to provide you with a reminder of our upcoming senior events and information. It is very important that you read this letter and that you thoroughly understand what is expected of you in the next few weeks ahead.

#### **SENIORS LAST DAY OF INSTRUCTION - FRIDAY, MAY 30TH**

Seniors will follow their normal school day as they have on their schedule. This will be an opportunity for students to turn in all Sweet Home materials that belong to the school. It is strongly suggested that seniors verify with their teachers and coaches, in advance of senior clearance, that they do not have any outstanding debts or obligations to the school. This will make Senior Clearance a fast and easy process on Monday, June 2nd.

# **SENIOR DAY - MONDAY, JUNE 2ND**

All graduating seniors are required to attend Senior Day for explicit instructions, information and practice in preparation for graduation on Thursday, June 26th. **Students are to bring their caps and gowns on this day.** Seniors will also receive their "Cleared for Graduation" status and obtain their graduation tickets and lawn signs on this day.

#### ORDER OF EVENTS - MONDAY, JUNE 2ND

#### 7:30 AM - Senior Breakfast Start in the Main Cafeteria

#### Senior Clearance and Attendance Check In - 7:30 - 8:00 AM Start in the Auditorium

Seniors will check in with our clerical staff for attendance. At this time, our clerical team will provide students with a "Cleared for Graduation" ticket for any student who does not have any outstanding debts and is cleared for graduation. This will allow them to receive their graduation tickets after our graduation practice in the auditorium.

Any student who DOES NOT get cleared for graduation must review what is owed in order to obtain their graduation tickets. Once the student has cleared their outstanding obligations to the school, students can receive their graduation tickets in the Assistant Principals' Office. The following requirements are needed to be "Cleared for Graduation":

- Senior Survey Completed
- Senior Graduation Process Card Completed
- Seniors must turn in their ipads, charging cord and block to either Mrs. Mussachio or Mr. Szabo in the library
- Seniors must turn in any athletic equipment and/or uniform to Mrs. Beaudet in the Athletic Office
- Seniors must turn in any text books to their teacher or to the Assistant Principals' Office
- Seniors must be in good standing in all course requirements for graduation

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#### 8:00 AM - Graduation Practice and Expectations in the Auditorium

At this time all seniors will be directed to the gymnasium for an information meeting with Senior Class Advisors Kristina Pinkowski and Scott Harriger and Senior School Counselor Collin Reid. Information reviewed will be graduation, general information, expectations and directions for the June 26th Commencement Ceremony at the University at Buffalo. Students will get information about processions, student arrival times for the event, meeting locations for graduates and a breakdown of the ceremony. After our Senior Class Advisors have covered all necessary information and expectations, students will be directed to pick up their graduation tickets. Seniors must have been "Cleared for Graduation" in order to obtain their graduation tickets. Please see the above information for graduation requirements to obtain their graduation tickets. During this time students may return all of their necessary items needed for a "Cleared for Graduation" status. Graduation tickets can be picked up from June 2nd - June 20th in the Assistant Principals' Office after all required materials have been turned in.

# 9:45 AM - Elementary School Graduation Procession - Buses Will Leave the HS at 9:30, Return to HS at 11:00

Our students will be traveling to their former elementary buildings with their graduation gowns to walk through the buildings, see former teachers, staff, principals and to give our younger Panthers a true sense of Beginning With The End In Mind. Any senior who did not attend a Sweet Home elementary school are able to attend an elementary school of their choice if they would like to join in on this unique Sweet Home experience. Any student who does not wish to attend the elementary school visits will stay back at the high school.

# ALL STUDENTS MUST TAKE THE BUSES PROVIDED TO THE ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS!!!

#### 11:15 - 11:30 AM - Start Senior Cookout, Lawn Games

Seniors will enjoy a cookout lunch at the Concession Stand. Lawn games will be available for some friendly competition with one another.

## 12:15 PM - End of Senior Day

Seniors are able to leave if they have their own transportation provided. Any student who needs to turn in any district owned equipment or items can use this time to do so. Any student who needs transportation at this time will report to the Senior Lounge for the remainder of the day until 1:53 for regular dismissal.

# TUESDAY, JUNE 3RD AND WEDNESDAY, JUNE 4TH - SENIOR MAKE UP DAYS

# SENIOR PROM - THURSDAY, JUNE 5TH FROM 6:00 - 10:00 PM AT THE WURLITZER

Location: 908 Niagara Falls Blvd., North Tonawanda 14120

Phone: 716-300-8220

More information to follow from senior class advisors Mrs. Pinkowski and Mr. Harriger.

# FRIDAY, JUNE 6TH - NO CLASSES FOR SENIORS

#### WEDNESDAY, JUNE 11TH - WEDNESDAY JUNE 25TH - REGENTS EXAMS

Only students with a scheduled exam need report (please review testing schedule that will be sent in a separate mailing).

# MONDAY, JUNE 16TH - SENIOR AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIP DELIVERY NIGHT

Award winners will receive prior notification. All awards and scholarships will be hand delivered to residence.

# THURSDAY, JUNE 26TH - GRADUATION CEREMONY AT UB CENTER FOR THE ARTS NORTH CAMPUS

4:30 pm - graduates requested to arrive at UB 6:00 pm - start of ceremony

We hope our seniors have a wonderful last few weeks here at the high school. If you have any questions on any of the above information, please feel free to contact our Senior Class Advisors, Kristina Pinkowski (kpinkowski@sweethomeschools.org) and Scott Harriger (sharriger@sweethomeschools.org) or feel free to contact Senior School Counselor Collin Reid (creid@sweethomeschools.org).

Respectfully,

Mr. Derek Baker Principal