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Class of 2025 Graduation Update Memo

Perryville High School's graduation ceremony on Friday has been moved up to 4:30 p.m. due to the unusual forecast for non-stop rain from Friday evening through Saturday. Again the graduation for Friday has been moved forward one hour so the ceremony will begin **on the stage at 4:30 p.m.** in the stadium.

Graduates need to arrive at PHS by 3:00 p.m. and report to the auditorium. Gates for the stadium will be opened at 3:15 p.m. for ticketed guests. We do not dismiss students from school until 2:20 p.m., so parking lots will not be ready until roughly 2:45 p.m. All ticketed guests should be in their seats by 4:15 p.m.

As a final reminder for our graduates, graduation rehearsal is still on for 7:30 a.m. on Friday, starting in the auditorium. This is mandatory for participation in the ceremony. Students should dress warmly and have rain gear for the morning's rehearsal which will take place rain or shine. At rehearsal, students will receive their tickets AND A CLEAR PONCHO TO BRING WITH THEM TO GRADUATION! Graduates who do not attend rehearsal will not be permitted to participate in the graduation ceremony. If students have Chromebooks or fines, they need to be turned in on Friday morning in order to receive your diploma.

After the ceremony, students will enter PHS at the student entrance on the side of the building where they will pick up their actual diploma in the cafeteria and exit at the front entrance. This is being done to prevent the paper diplomas from being ruined in the event of rain before the end of the ceremony.

All attendees should be dressed and ready to be outside in the rain during the ceremony, as graduation will proceed as long as lightning remains ten miles away or farther, according to our athletic safety protocols. If the ceremony is to be delayed to Saturday, communication will be sent by 2:00 p.m. on Friday.