



Central Mountain High School

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Dear Senior Parents/Guardians,

Graduation events for the Class of 2026 are rapidly approaching. This letter is to inform you of the upcoming events and the guidelines for Central Mountain High School. Please be aware that graduation is scheduled for June 4th, which is the last day of school. However, if we were to have a snow day, that would push graduation back. It will always be on the last day of school with the rain date scheduled for the following day to give us the best opportunity to have graduation outside.

Senior Dates to Remember (These dates are tentative and subject to change)

- **March 16th (Monday)** - The application for internal CMHS Senior Awards will be available on the Class of 2026 Schoology page. Other external award applications are posted as we receive them and may have different deadlines.
- **April 15th (Wednesday)** - Last day to submit the application for internal CMHS Senior Awards. Other external award applications are posted as we receive them and may have different deadlines.
- **May 8th (Friday)** - List of seniors who will be recognized at the Senior Awards Ceremony will be posted on Dojo and Schoology.
- **May 16th (Saturday)** - Senior Ball, Bald Birds venue in Jersey Shore. Students start to arrive at 6:30. The Ball is from 7:00-10:00 PM.
- **May 18th (Monday)** - Distribution of caps and gowns in room C125 during lunches.
- **May 19th (Tuesday)** - Senior class portrait in CMHS gymnasium at 9:00 AM.
- **May 27th (Wednesday)** - Senior grades due.
- **May 27th (Wednesday)** - Senior Awards Ceremony- CMHS Auditorium at 6:00 PM.
- **May 28th (Thursday)** - Laptop collection. You will not receive graduation tickets until you turn in your laptop.
- **May 29th (Friday)** - Senior Class Trip (Kennywood)—Students leave CMHS at 8:30 AM. Return to CMHS @ 8:00 PM (rain date - Tuesday, June 2nd)
- **May 31st (Sunday)**- Baccalaureate Service- CMHS Auditorium 1:00 PM Seniors arrive @ 12:30 PM
- **June 1st (Monday), June 2nd (Tuesday) and June 3rd (Wednesday)** - Graduation Practice. Seniors are dismissed after practice. Please arrange for a ride home. Seniors are not allowed back into school after graduation practice.
- **June 4th (Thursday)** Senior Breakfast - CMHS Cafeteria 8:30am. Graduation tickets will be distributed immediately after Senior Breakfast.
- **June 4th (Thursday)** - Graduation - Malinak Stadium 7:00 PM
- **June 5th (Friday)** - Rain Date for Graduation (Time - TBA)
- **First/Second week in August (When we have the exact date we will let you know)** Distribution of Yearbooks. Yearbooks can be picked up by a parent or friend. Yearbooks can still be ordered up to May 18th.

Other Reminders:

- **Guest Registration Forms are due by Friday, May 8th.**
 - Any senior who wants to bring a guest to the Senior Ball who is not currently a student at CMHS, needs to turn in a Guest Registration Form. Please see that this deadline is met in order for your guest to attend. Age limit for the Senior Ball (9th grade-20 years old)
- **Senior dues are \$30 and checks can be made out to the CMHS Class of 2026.**
 - Students, who have not paid any dues to this point, owe a total of \$120. This can be paid in installments. **Dues need to be paid by March 27th.** Please contact Mrs. Lucas if you have any questions about the amount you owe.
alucas@kcsd.k12.pa.us
- **Deadline to sign up for Kennywood trip – Friday, March 27th.**
 - Students are required to have paid their class dues and put down a \$10 deposit to sign up for the trip. The \$10 deposit will be returned to students at Kennywood on the day of the trip. If a senior does not attend the trip, their deposits will NOT be refunded.
- **Senior Slideshow –**
 - Seniors should send up to 5 photos to: cmhsmedia@kcsd.k12.pa.us **by April 1st.**
 - Photos should be school related and group photos are highly recommended.

Some Information on Commencement Protocol and Procedures:

- The dress code for graduation is as follows: Young men should wear trousers (**NO** jeans or shorts) and a shirt (**NO** T-shirts). Young ladies should wear slacks, skirts and blouses or a dress that follows the district dress code. Appropriate shoes are to be worn. **NO** spiked heels (on the stadium turf) are permitted. The dress code applies to the senior breakfast and graduation ceremony. Any student who is in violation of the dress code may be removed from these events.
- Graduation is a formal setting. While we celebrate our students' success, we wish to do so in a dignified manner. Beach balls, balloons, bubbles, silly string and other items of this nature are prohibited. Possessing any item that would detract from the graduation ceremony will result in removal from the ceremony. Guests help to set the formal tone for the event. Those who conduct themselves inappropriately will be asked to leave.
- Any student unable to attend graduation may pick up his/her diploma in the Student Services Office starting Monday, June 8th, 2026.
- Each Senior will be issued a total of **8 tickets** for the home side of the stadium. If you do not have a ticket you may still attend, but seating will be on the visitors side of the stadium. If we need to have the ceremony in the gymnasium due to weather then each student will receive **4 tickets**.
- The ceremony will be live streamed in the air conditioned auditorium for your convenience.
- Commencement Parking/Seating is limited. *We encourage parents to drop off your graduate and carpool if possible.*

- Handicap parking will be available on a first come first served basis. There will be a shuttle service provided to and from CMMS to graduation. Guests requiring handicapped seating must reserve a seat in the handicapped section and will still need a ticket to enter the stadium for the ceremony. Please notify Mrs. Kline, Assistant Principal, for handicap parking/seating needs at 570-893-4900 ext 4507 or via email at dkline@kcsd.k12.pa.us.
- We look forward to the graduation events and their entire splendor. It is a time for joy and celebration. We wish to honor our students appropriately and ask for your cooperation in making this a special time for everyone. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Miss Dana Robinson, Administrative Secretary, at 570-893-4900, ext 4302 or via email at drobinson@kcsd.k12.pa.us between the office hours of 7:30am – 3:30pm.

Sincerely,

Central Mountain High School Administration