



## OHS Graduate Instructions

May 29, 2026 6:45pm, OHS Quad

*Oakmont High School staff prides themselves on the formal graduation ceremony. We ask graduates and their guests for their continued support so that the graduation ceremony successfully displays the pride that we have in our staff, graduates, and the Oakmont community.*

### **Ticket Distribution**

- Ticket distribution will only happen at the following times (students cannot get them during class time!)
  - May 27th between final exams at the break – bring a photo ID
  - May 28th before school, at the final exam break, and after school – bring a photo ID
- Students will be issued 9 tickets (5 VIP/Reserved and 4 General Admission tickets)
- For students in danger of failing classes that are required of earning a diploma, tickets will be held until classes are confirmed as passing

### **Seniors owing fines and textbooks**

- List is posted on Student Services windows and in the Follet system and Aeries system
- Seniors must pay by May 28 at 3:30pm to get their diploma the following evening.
- Any outstanding fines can be paid the following week during office hours and diplomas can be picked up once fines are cleared.

### **Grads please arrive on time! Please report directly to the gym by 5:45pm.**

- Parking will be a problem – we encourage you to ride with your guests or other graduates.
- Do Not wear your graduation gowns into the quad and gym – bring gown with you – you will put it on in the gym
- Enter through the front gates of the school by the main office and front doors of the gym only. Only graduates are allowed in the gym prior to and after the ceremony. Also, once you enter the gym you cannot leave.
- Staff members will be at the gym door checking your attire and for non-permitted items
- Noisemakers, balloons, flowers & other items are not permitted. Just yourself, your cap, your gown.
- Leave valuables at home or with a family member – gym will not be locked/secure to store anything.

### **Dress appropriately for this formal ceremony – *please see an administrator if you have questions***

- Recommended attire: Dress shirt, pants/slacks, clean shoes (dress shoes are preferred), dress, or skirt. Please be careful with heel height, you will need to walk a long distance to the chairs as well as on stairs to walk the stage, we don't want you falling!!
- Please no shorts, t-shirts, jeans, or flip-flops
- It will be hot - gowns must be zipped closed during the walking in, walking out and while walking the stage, so please make sure your attire underneath is comfortable. Gowns can be opened while in seats.
- Students are highly encouraged to wear school awarded medals/cords (AMA awards, Health Academy cord, IB tassel and/or stole, Val/Sal medals, Program of Study CTE cords, CSF cords/stoles/tassels, Laureate of Scholarly Distinction cord, and Seal of Biliteracy cord)
- Caps and gowns must be worn as sold to student/school and cannot be altered in anyway
- Graduates may wear traditional tribal regalia or recognized objects of religious or cultural significance as an adornment at graduation as long as it doesn't cause a substantial disruption of or interference with the ceremony - CA edu code 35183.1.
- Cap is worn – top of head – bring hair pins if necessary

### **Ceremony and Post-Ceremony Information**

- Oakmont will provide a water bottle under each graduate's seat.
- Sun will be setting to the left of the graduating class - you will not be looking into the sun!
- Ceremony will be shown via live feed for all guests not able to attend.  
<https://www.youtube.com/@ohsmedia307/live> will be broadcasting it live
- Bill Smith Photography will take your photo prior to walking up the stage. They will send families emails how to order these photos
- Following the ceremony, you will be escorted down the aisles to the gym – no guests allowed in this room, this is your last time with your class and we want to give you the time to be with your classmates.
- Be sure to pick up your diploma when you report back to the gym after the ceremony. Diplomas will only be handed out for 10 minutes after the ceremony.
- Seniors owing fines must pay by May 28 at 3:30pm to get their diploma at graduation. Any outstanding fines can be paid the following week during office hours and diplomas can be picked up once fines are cleared.
- If you borrowed your cap, gown and tassel then you must return it to the diploma table prior to you receiving your diploma.
- If you wish to donate your gown and hat to future OHS graduates, we will have boxes in the gym.
- Please identify ahead of time a location to meet your family after you receive your diploma.

***This is an important and formal event for our school.  
We are excited to celebrate this accomplishment with you!  
Any graduate or guest disrupting the ceremony will be removed immediately.***