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Matt Schmit
April 7, 2026

Dear Graduating Seniors and Parents/Guardians,

The end of your high school journey is just around the corner, and we want to make sure you have all the information you need to make graduation season go as smoothly as possible.

FINAL WEEKS OF SCHOOL

Attendance: Students are expected to attend school daily. There is no senior skip day.

Last day for assignments: May 22 at 3:30 p.m.

Cap & Gown Pick-Up: April 21 during all lunches in the AHS Commons. Hats may not be decorated.

Fees and Fines: All fees and fines must be paid by May 29 to participate in graduation.

Senior & Childhood Photos: Must be submitted by April 24 to anna.good@austin.k12.mn.us

GRADUATION WEEK

Last day for seniors: May 22 (Senior Walk at 3:15 p.m.)

Graduation rehearsal: May 27, 8:30–11:30 a.m., Ove Berven Gym

Senior class photo will be taken at rehearsal; students must bring cap and gown.

Graduation ceremony: May 29 at 7:00 p.m. in Knowlton Auditorium. Students report at 6:00 p.m.

CEREMONY INFORMATION

Doors open at 6:00 p.m. and will close during the processional. No noisemakers, balloons, flowers, food, or beverages are allowed.

Tickets: Each graduate receives three reserved tickets. Overflow seating is available in Ove Berven Gym.

Accessibility: Wheelchair access is available through Door 5.

Livestream: The ceremony will be livestreamed on the Austin Public Schools YouTube channel.

PROJECT GRADUATION

Date & Time: 10:00 p.m. to 3:30 a.m. following the ceremony.

Tickets: $40 (cash only). No re-entry is allowed.

Questions: kathy.ewing@austin.k12.mn.us

Volunteers: monicaslillis@gmail.com

Thank you for your continued partnership as we celebrate the Class of 2026.

Sincerely,

Matt Schmit
Austin High School Principal