

CLASS OF 2026

DIXON HIGH GRADUATION

Wednesday, June 10

6:30PM | Main Gym



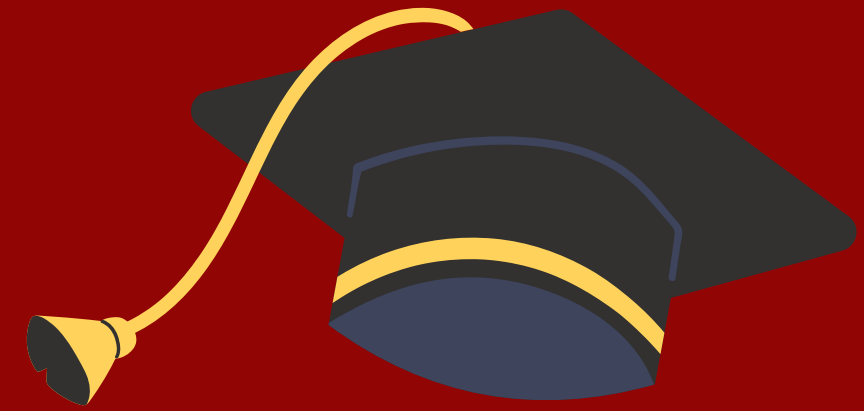
MANDATORY GRADUATION PRACTICE

- **June 9 at 1 PM (Main Gym)**
- **Required to participate in graduation**
- **Lasts ~2–3 hours**
- **Receive 5 tickets at end of practice. All school fees must be paid prior to getting tickets.**
- **Optional—bring graduation shoes to practice**



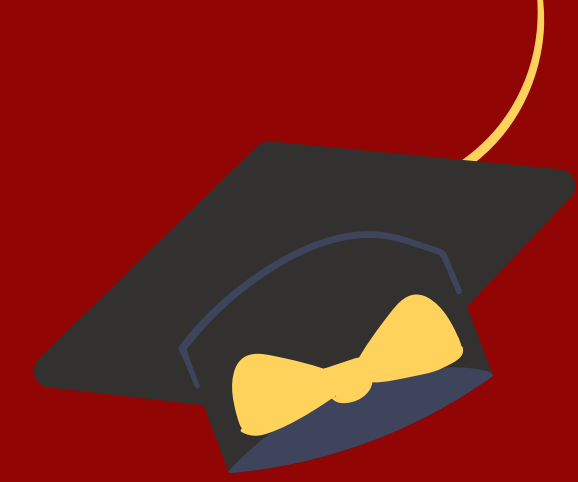
REQUIREMENTS TO PARTICIPATE IN GRADUATION CEREMONY

- **Must pass all required classes**
- **Must meet attendance requirements**
- **Must attend rehearsal**
- **Must pay all fees**
- **Misbehavior = may not walk**

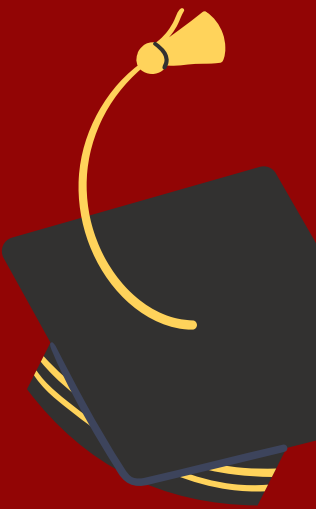


GRADUATION DAY

Information



- **Seniors arrive by 4:45 PM, report to U-building**
- **Main Gym Doors open at 5:30 PM for guests**
- **Ceremony starts 6:30 PM sharp, no late admission**
- **No balloons, airhorns, or noise makers**
- **Water only (no food)**
- **All guests, including babies, must present physical ticket to enter. No ticket=no entrance. This assures compliance with fire codes.**



WHAT TO WEAR: GRADUATION CEREMONY

Girls: Nice dress, or dress slacks with a top, or a skirt and top

Boys: White dress shirt, dark slacks or a suit (tie optional).

All: Dress shoes only—no flip flops, Crocs, shower shoes, or high heels (these can be difficult to walk in on stage). Students may wear solid black or brown, clean tennis shoes or boots.

- Students may not wear flags or statement pieces.
**This is a ceremony to celebrate the senior class as a whole.*
- Only school issued cords/stoles allowed
- Caps should be flat, tassel on the right side, **no decorations!**



GRADUATION SLIDE SHOW

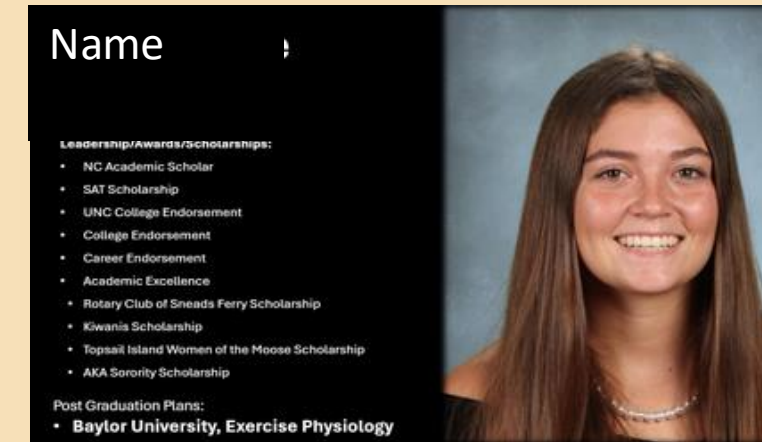
Senior Photos will be used.

If a senior photo is not available, we can:

- Use a photo submitted by a parent or guardian; photo will be reviewed by counselor for appropriateness/consistency
- Schedule a time for our Journalism team to take a photo

The slide will list the following information which will be collected through the [Senior Survey](#):

- Future plans (i.e., college, career, military endeavors)
- Cords/Endorsements earned
- Scholarships Awarded



THIS INFORMATION IS DUE BY MAY 15TH

CEREMONY

Expectations

- Please be respectful of all and allow all names to be heard during the ceremony. Excessive cheering prevents others from hearing all students' names.
- Always remain seated during the ceremony so all guests can see, even if taking pictures. Moving up for pictures is NOT allowed. Students will have their picture taken by a professional photographer and these will be available for purchase



AFTER THE CEREMONY

- **Recessional – students will return to assigned classrooms in U–building to receive diplomas from Senior Advisors**
- **Parents and guests remain seated during the recessional, please do not approach students or follow students into U–Building. Guests are not allowed in the U–building.**
- **Students will return to the gym area to unite with families following diploma pick up.**



ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

for seniors





IMPORTANT DATES



Event	Date	Time	Place
Last day to send in baby photo for Senior Send-off	5/11/2026		Senior Sendoff 2026 RSVP
Senior Spirit Week	5/11/26-5/15/26		DHS
Senior Survey Due	5/15/2026		Online
Senior Sendoff – Graduates and Parents	5/16/2026	6:30 pm	Main Gym
Last day to register for Senior Fun Day at Jungle Rapids	5/18/2026		School cash online
Senior Awards Ceremony	5/20/2026	6:00 pm	DHS Auditorium
Senior Walk	5/21/2026	8:00- 12:00	DHS, Dixon El, Dixon Middle, Coastal El, Southwest El
Senior Fun Day	5/29/2026	9 am-4 pm	Jungle Rapids, Wilmington, NC
Senior Fees Due	5/30/2026	2:15 pm	Office
Laptops Due	6/5/2026	1:00 pm	Media Center
Deadline to repaint parking space (if applicable)	6/7/2026		
Senior Baccalaureate Service	6/7/2026	3:00 pm	DHS Auditorium
Graduation Practice	6/9/2026	1:00 pm	Main Gym
Graduation- Students arrive by 4:45, doors open to public at 5:30	6/10/2026	6:30 pm	Meet in Gym
Project Graduation	6/10/2026	9:00 pm – 6:00 am	SF Community Center

SENIOR Spirit Week!!!

Dixon High School

May 11th

SENIORITIS .. wear your pj's to school

May 12th

50 year flash forward... show off that classic senior citizen style;))

May 13th

Dress as your future! ~ For example, do you want to be a nurse? Wear some scrubs with your hair back!

May 14th

Ancient TOGA Day! Get creative, take some cheap sheets and some jewelry and set up your toga. All dress code rules still apply!

May 15th

College/Career Day! Show off your career decision by wearing your future choice decision shirt.

May 21, 2026

SENIOR WALK



- You cannot take part in senior walk without your cap and gown.
- The gown must stay zipped during the walk.
- Look and act professional, you are representing DHS!
- Meet at 8AM at the Annex Gym
- Walk order: DHS- 8:45 am, Dixon El- 9:15 am, Dixon Middle- 9:40 am, Coastal El- 10:10 am, Southwest Elem- 11 am



ACADEMIC AWARDS



Ceremony

Thursday, May 20th, 6pm
DHS Auditorium

- **Academic cords distributed**
- **Local Scholarship winners announced**
- **Marshal Ceremony**

Check your email for an invitation, RSVP when you receive it.

CORDS

Achievement/Club	Cord Color	Advisor
Advanced Placement (AP) courses	Old Gold & White, double cord	Lovingood/Godwin
Academic Excellence	Maroon & White	Godwin
Met ACT College Readiness Benchmark	Braided Red/Blue Cord	Gregory/Godwin
ACT WorkKeys Certification	Silver, Gold, or Platinum Cord	Gregory/Godwin
Adopt a Highway	Orange	McDowell
D & D	Purple/silver	Hourigan
DECA	Blue & gold	Shreve
FFA	Navy Blue	Santilli/Metts
Fine Arts	Pink	Saenz/Williams
Future Teachers	Light Blue	McDowell
Governor's School	Blue & gold	Godwin
HOSA	Burgundy	Hudson
Interact	Blue & White	Hnatko
Internship	Lime Green	Huie
Journalism	Purple	Bailey
Marshals	Gold/Maroon	Godwin
Morgan's Message	Orange/white	Hertzog
National Honor Society	Royal Blue and Gold, double cord	Henderson
NC Scholar	Gold Cord	Godwin
Skills Center	Teal	Huie/Shannon
Student Government Association	Red, White, & Blue	Boone
Student2Student	Purple & White	Godwin
World language	Red & Yellow	Vega/Godwin



Academic cords will be distributed at the Senior Awards Ceremony. If you are unable to attend, you may pick up your cord from Ms. Boone's classroom on 5/21. Club cords will be distributed by club advisor.



SENIOR SEND-OFF



6:30 pm on Saturday May 16th, 2026
DHS Main Gym

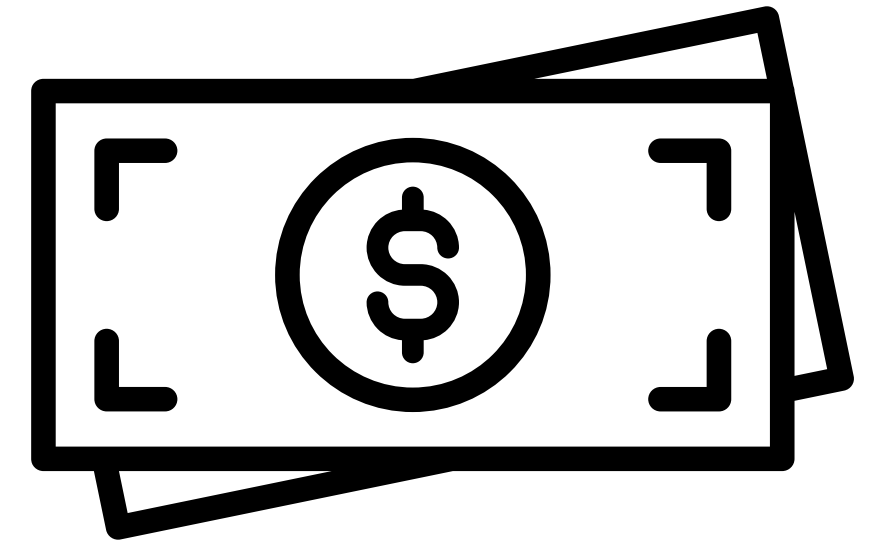
Free Admission for Seniors and their guests
Desserts and Refreshments, Then & Now Slideshow, Photo opportunities with families and friends, and Class of 2026 Trivia

Please RSVP: [Senior Sendoff 2026 RSVP – Fill out form](#)

Please send your ONE baby picture to dixonjournalism@gmail.com
*we already have your senior picture unless you did not sit for one
RSVP and baby pictures due **Monday, May 11th**—no exceptions!



SCHOOL FEES



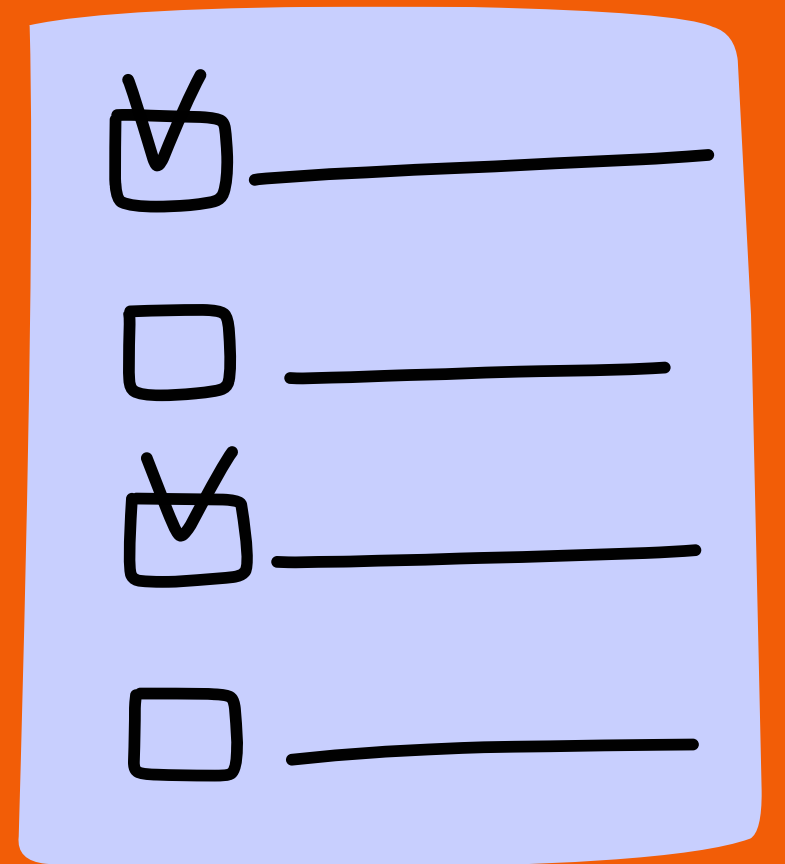
Clear all bills, fines, fees and other financial debts (uniforms, library fines, etc.) by May 30.

Return laptops when your final testing is completed or by Friday, June 5th after testing . Must include the charger or \$17 charge if lost.

If you do not re-paint your parking spot, you will be assessed a \$100 fee that must be paid to participate in graduation activities.

Check with Mrs. Edens in the office if you have any questions
(kim.edens@onslow.k12.nc.us)

SENIOR SURVEY



This information will be used to:

- Contact you/your parents after graduation in the case of post-grad opportunities or concerns
- Create your graduation slide
- Complete school reports
- Request handicapped seating for graduation guests

Link: Senior Survey 2026 – Fill out form [Senior Survey 2026 – Fill out form](#)

This information is due by May 15th. If you receive any additional scholarships or awards after this date, please update the form or email the information directly to Ms. Godwin.



FINAL REMINDERS



- Check your school email regularly!
- Reach out if you have any questions:

Principal- Page Highsmith: page.highsmith@onslow.k12.nc.us

12th grade Counselor (last names A-K)-Mrs. Godwin: Elaine.godwin@onslow.k12.nc.us

12th grade Counselor (last names L-Z)-Ms. Williams: jenifer.williams@onslow.k12.nc.us

Student Services receptionist-Mrs. Hardy: katherine.hardy@onslow.k12.nc.us