



OXFORD AREA HIGH SCHOOL

2026 Graduation Newsletter updated 5.12.26

Graduation Attire Guidelines:

Please wear formal or semi-formal attire such as dress pants, shirts, dresses, or skirts beneath your graduation robes. For those wearing white gowns, we recommend light or white-colored clothing underneath to avoid any colors or patterns showing through the fabric. When selecting shoes, choose a pair that is both appropriate and comfortable, keeping in mind that heels should be avoided due to the risk of tripping while navigating ramps or stairs. Similarly, sandals that make noise with each step should also be avoided. We suggest trying on your cap beforehand to ensure that your hairstyle complements it. Don't forget to bring extra bobby pins for a secure fit.

Please note: Slippers, flip-flops, jeans, and pajama pants are not permitted. Additionally, no extra items may be carried or worn during the ceremony.

Graduation Practice:

Attendance at BOTH graduation practices are mandatory for all students who wish to participate in the ceremony. Students who are employed must arrange time off to attend practice sessions. Please note, there will be no senior release on practice days. To minimize the time spent in practice, we ask that all students arrive on time, cooperate fully, and ensure that any outstanding obligations are cleared prior to the session.

Obligations:

All seniors must settle any outstanding obligations, including iPads, charging blocks and cords, fees for books, uniforms, fundraisers, fines, or any other debts. Failure to do so will result in ineligibility to participate in the graduation ceremony, receive a diploma, or have transcripts or records sent or released.

All obligations must be paid to Mrs. Lester by **Tuesday, May 26th at 1:00 PM** to participate in Graduation.

Commencement Tickets:

Each graduating senior will receive six (6) tickets for the graduation ceremony on the final day of graduation practice. Please note, there will be no additional tickets available.

To request handicap seating for the ceremony, please complete the Request Form using the following link by **Monday, April 27, 2026:**

<https://forms.gle/idUGhzAXksQX89bf8>

Please note that handicap tickets are included in the total of six (6) tickets and are not additional.

Senior yearbook pickup TBA

***Wed. April 8th (6:00pm):** Senior Awards Night

***Thurs. May 7th**

Cap & Gown distribution during all lunches (in cafeteria).

***May 18th, 20th, 21st, 22nd:** Senior Final Exams

***Sat. May 9th (6:00pm-10pm):**

Senior Prom at Mendenhall Inn, Chadds Ford PA

***Sun. May 17th (3:00 pm):** Early College Academy graduation at Cecil College

***Mon. May 18th – Fri. May 22nd:** Last week of school for seniors.

***Thurs. May 21st (7:00pm):** Baccalaureate Service at Waterway Church.

***Fri. May 22nd:** *Last day of school for seniors at OAHs and at TCHS.

*12:30-2:30pm: iPad/charger/block & cord return (rotunda)

***Mon. May 25th :** NO SCHOOL, Memorial Day

***Fri. May 22nd (1:00pm-2:30pm):** iPad/charger/block & cord return and obligation settlement

***Tues. May 26th (7:30am-11am):** iPad/charger/block & cord return and obligation settlement; final chance for yearbook pickup (in rotunda).

(9:10 am): PTO-Sponsored Last Bus Ride (departure from cafeteria). *PTO will be providing donuts. Students are expected to leave the campus after bus ride unless they need to pay obligations and/or turn in iPad.*

(7:00 pm): TCHS Graduation (in the OAHs Gymnasium)

***Wed. May 27th (8:00am-12noon):** MANDATORY Graduation Practice (meet in the auditorium)

(6:00-9:00 pm): Project Graduation Celebration (in the OAHs Cafeteria)

***Thurs. May 28th (8:00am-12noon):** MANDATORY Graduation Practice (meet in the auditorium)

(6:00 pm): Octorara Homeland Security and Protective Services Academy Senior Cadet Graduation

(6:00 pm): Senior Sunset at the OAHs Stadium
This is organized by the student body.

***Fri. May 29th (5:00 pm) - students arrive in auditorium**

(6:00 pm): OAHs Commencement in HS Gym; Students arrive no later than 5:00; doors close for seating at 5:45 pm.

***LIVESTREAM LINK: [YouTube.com/oxfordwohs](https://www.youtube.com/oxfordwohs)**