

GRADUATION INFORMATION SHEET

COMMENCEMENT REHEARSAL & CEREMONY INFORMATION

REHEARSAL information:

Location: Eddie Joseph Memorial Stadium

Date: May 20, 2026

Report Time:

Rehearsal is MANDATORY. If you do not attend rehearsal you will not be allowed to participate in the ceremony.

- Dress code: school appropriate shorts and t-shirts

GRADUATION information:

Location: Eddie Joseph Memorial Stadium

Date: May 21, 2026

Report Time:

- arrival time 5:45 pm
- **All seniors must arrive by 6:15 pm**
- **All seniors will report directly to their assigned waiting area.**

Start Time: 7:00PM

Be ON TIME, DRESSED and READY to participate.

Cell Phones:

- Cell phones are not permitted during the graduation ceremony. Please ensure all devices are silenced and put away for the duration of the event.

DRESS CODE

School selected/approved Cap, Gown, and Tassel must be worn during graduation.

- Please press your Graduation Gown.
- **Stoles and cords not issued by WHS are NOT ALLOWED**
- **DO NOT** decorate caps.
 - o *Any caps with decorations or embellishments will be confiscated before the ceremony.*

Girls

- Dress shoes-flats or wedges only. NO HEELS OF ANY KIND, FLIP FLOPS, CROCS, ATHLETIC OR TENNIS SHOES
 - o dress sandals, wedges are permissible but dress sandals must have backs.
- Attire - "Sunday" Dress – dresses, Slacks with Blouse, Skirt with Blouse are permitted
- Hair will be in accordance with our school handbook regulations

Boys

- Dress Shoes. NO FLIP FLOPS, CROCS, WORK BOOTS, ATHLETIC OR TENNIS SHOES
 - o Dress shoes or clean and neat boots are permitted
- Attire – "Sunday" Dress – Dress shirts with tie/bow tie and dress slacks (NO jeans)
- Hair and facial hair will be neatly groomed

Anyone who does not comply, will not participate

GUEST INFORMATION

- All students will be assigned Home or Visitor parking. Students will receive information for assigned parking lot color that coordinates with the students graduation seating. (Home/Visitor).
- Tickets will be issued ***only*** for RainOut to be held at Wharton High School.
- No concessions will be sold or distributed. There will be tents located on the premises for emergency situations.

Additional viewing options

- Graduation ceremony will be live streamed Facebook Live

Gifts/Flare - the following are NOT allowed:

- Any item that can obstruct the view of a guest (i.e. balloon, signs/face cut outs, umbrellas)
- Any item that will interfere with the ceremony (i.e. bull horns/noise makers)
- Any of the listed items brought will be confiscated at the door.
- Anyone caught using any type of noise maker during the ceremony will be removed immediately.

Post Ceremony

- All guests will be allowed to enter the field AFTER the ceremony has completed and the graduates have left their seats and proceeded to the back of the seating area.
 - Announcements will be made when guests may enter the field.
 - The area will only be open for **30 minutes** and when the area is closing spectators are expected to promptly leave the field.
 - Visitors **will not be allowed** on the field **before** or **during** the graduation ceremony.

WHS Auditorium / Gymnasium Tickets (***Only in the case of rain*)

- Tickets will be issued to graduates prior to the ceremony.
- Number of tickets TBD only if necessary
- Graduation will be held at Wharton High School.
- Overflow seating will be provided on a first come first serve basis.