



ROXBURY HIGH SCHOOL



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Graduate's Name: _____

Roxbury High School 2026 Graduation Ceremony Contract for Participants

Graduation Ceremony Choice

The Class of 2026 will graduate on Thursday, June 18, at 10:00 am. The decorum and pageantry of the ceremony are indeed traditional and beautiful. To most graduates, it represents the culmination of a challenging and rewarding experience. We extend to all graduates and their parents the **choice** of participation or non-participation. To properly prepare for the graduation ceremony, seniors are to return this form **in person** to the main office no later than **Monday, June 8**. Please note that a signed/returned form is required from each senior, whether choosing to "participate" or "not to participate" in the graduation ceremony.

Graduation Tickets

Each senior will receive five (5) tickets as of right now for admittance to the football stadium for an outside ceremony. You will also receive three (3) tickets for the live streaming in the auditorium. In recent years, we have experienced a problem with parents reserving spaces in the bleachers outside that exceed the number of tickets distributed to them. Be advised that no reserving of seats for the outside ceremony will be permitted. We will remove all "reserved" items from the bleachers prior to the admittance of ticket holders.

Senior Clearance and Graduation Practice

Senior clearance, tickets, and gown distribution will take place on Monday, June 15. No tickets or caps and gowns will be distributed to students with outstanding obligations. Graduation practice will occur on Wednesday, June 17, beginning at 9:00 a.m. Students should report to the football stadium for the practice session before 8:30 a.m. The graduation practice session is mandatory and must be attended for a student to be included in the ceremony. Student parking on campus for the graduation ceremony is strongly discouraged to provide maximum parking for guests at the commencement exercises.

Graduation Gowning

Seniors will report to the cafeteria no later than 9:00 a.m. on June 18 to dress for graduation and line up. Breakfast will be provided at 8:15.

Attire

Appropriate attire for graduates includes:

Women: dresses or blouses and skirts, no heels thinner than 2 inches square, flats preferred.

Men: full-length trousers, white shirt with a tie.

Both women and men: sensible shoes for walking up/down bleachers or on a turf football field. Unacceptable attire includes athletic footwear, work boots, platform shoes, spiked heels, flip flops, jeans, or shorts.

Expectations for Pupil Behavior at the Graduation Ceremony

It is expected that all graduates and spectators will conduct themselves in a manner that exhibits respect for the Class of 2026. Unacceptable behavior mars the dignity of the graduation ceremony and/or endangers the safety of all, including graduates, administration, and Board of Education members.

Specific examples of unacceptable behavior include, but are not limited to, the use of alcohol/illegal substances, fireworks, tobacco products, beverages or food, use of inflatables of any type, water pistols, use of noisemakers, bubbles, silly string, or any rude, disruptive, or distracting behavior during the ceremony, including loud cheering or yelling of student names.

Consequences

Any senior who becomes disruptive or fails to meet accepted graduation behavior guidelines will be escorted off the field by a Roxbury Township police officer and will not be allowed to continue in the graduation ceremony. He or she will not receive his/her diploma until after the school year concludes. If the school administration observes disruptive behavior caused by numerous students that becomes uncontrollable, the administration will terminate the ceremony, and all graduates will receive their diplomas at a later date.

The Board of Education, the administration, and the faculty desire the ceremony to be the appropriate culmination of the teachers' and students' efforts. We want the most enjoyable ceremony for the graduates, and we request your cooperation to make this occasion special for a class that most certainly deserves it.

Please **initial** your preference below, sign the form, and return it to the main office.

_____ **I wish** to participate in the school's graduation exercise, as outlined in the enclosed letter, and will attend all required rehearsals. I have also reviewed and understand the Graduation Ceremony Contract for Participants regarding behavior and dress, and by participating, I agree to abide by its guidelines.

_____ **I do not** want to participate in the high school graduation exercises. Consequently, I will neither participate as a graduate nor attend as a spectator. I will contact the school to arrange a time to receive my diploma after the ceremony.

Graduate's Name (please print): _____

Graduate's Signature: _____

Parent's Signature: _____

Return this signed form to the main office by Monday, June 8, 2026