



Ridgeview High School

"It's a great day to be a Raven"

Ridgeview High School Commencement 2018

Ridgeview High School is busy planning the Commencement for Class of 2018! Our vision is to continue Commencement traditions that will be the norm for years to come.

Baby Picture/Senior Picture Slideshow: One of our ceremony traditions is to show a baby picture of every graduate. (Note that this is different than having a baby picture in the yearbook). Every senior must submit a baby picture and a Senior photo for the Commencement slideshow. Please submit a baby picture to janet.bojanowski@redmondschools.org You can also fill out [this Google Form](#) and submit directly here. If you turned in a baby photo and a senior photo for a yearbook ad, we have this! No need to re-submit unless you want to use a different one. Originals will be returned.

Time and Location:

- ❖ **June 6, 2018** at First Interstate Bank Center, DCFG - 7:00pm
- ❖ Doors open for guests at 6:00pm--no tickets necessary; "first come, first served" unlimited seating per family
- ❖ Graduates will report to the Event Center by 5:30pm on Commencement night
- ❖ Reserve ADA parking by calling Janet Bojanowski at (541) 504-3613.

Commencement Announcements/Caps and Gowns:

- ❖ Commencement announcements that were ordered through Miners will be distributed at lunch
April 3, 2018 in the Sky Box.
- ❖ Caps and gowns will be distributed **May 17** during lunch, again in the Sky Box.
- ❖ Caps and gowns should not be altered or added to in any way.
- ❖ Caps and gowns will be yours to keep after the ceremony.
- ❖ Caps and gowns are the only mandatory items that must be ordered through Miners for Commencement. If you have not ordered, please go online at www.minersgrad.com. If this requirement puts a strain on your budget, please see Mrs. Peterson in Student Management.

Commencement Rehearsals:

- ❖ Both rehearsals are **mandatory** to participate in the Commencement ceremony.
- ❖ Rehearsal dates and times-
 - June 4 - 12:00PM (RVHS)
 - June 6 - 10:00AM (FIBC Center/DCFG)
- ❖ **Transportation will NOT be provided to the Event Center for Commencement practice. Students are required to provide their own transportation to the fairgrounds.**
- ❖ Regular school dress code and behavior is expected during both practices

Commencement:

- ❖ Behavior:
 - o Students are expected to “stay classy” and not disrupt Commencement. Items that interfere with maintaining order are not allowed. Such items include, but are not limited to: water pistols, noise makers, silly string, matches, lighters, and laser pointers. Phones and other electronics should be silenced and put away. And tobacco, drugs, and alcohol or look-alike substances are prohibited. Let’s have a proud celebration!
- ❖ Photographer and Videographer
 - o Ridgeview High School has hired Lifetouch to photograph our ceremony. They will have several Lifetouch photographers on site prior to the event capturing candid moments before, during, and after Commencement. Each student will be photographed as they walk across the stage, shake hands with Administration and receive their diploma; and then after they leave the stage with a huge “I did it” smile!
 - o These photos will be available for purchase at events.lifetouch.com.
 - o Commencement ceremony video will be available to purchase for \$25 through COTV.
 - o Parents are asked to remain seated and not contact their student once Commencement has begun. An area for taking photographs will be provided during the ceremony.

Final Thoughts:

- ❖ Baccalaureate: This optional event allows for students and families to celebrate the spiritual rite of passage that is Commencement. Event is Sunday, June 3rd at Highland Baptist Church at 6:30PM.
- ❖ Fines:
 - o Please make sure your senior has no outstanding fines or they will not be able to receive their diploma until the fines are paid in full. If you are not sure if your senior has fines, please contact our bookkeeper, Gayle Kezele at gayle.kezele@redmondschools.org or 541-504-3600 ext. 6006.
- ❖ Other dates:
 - o Check the Critical Dates calendar for other senior related items such as senior class meetings, Awards Night and more. It is available online under Career Center on the RVHS webpage, or you can pick up one in the Raven College and Career Center. We are happy to email another if needed; contact Kate Soliz in the CCC.

We are excited to experience our fifth Ridgeview Commencement. Our seniors are excited, too. You have dedicated the last 13 years for this moment! Let’s work together and provide a commencement that we are proud of and will remember with fond memories. If you have questions please contact Jensine Peterson at jensine.peterson@redmondschools.org or Janet Bojanowski at janet.bojanowski@redmondschools.org