

**EAST ISLIP HIGH SCHOOL  
OFFICE OF THE PRINCIPAL  
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April, 2018

Dear Parents/Guardians of the Class of 2018:

High School graduation for your son or daughter is just around the corner. To help you plan for the many family activities at this special time, we are sending you this information which contains several important dates.

**There will be a mandatory graduation rehearsal, rain or shine, on Monday, June 18 at 9:00 AM at the High School.** Please know that those who are not present at this rehearsal will not be permitted to participate in the graduation exercises - there will be no exceptions made. Room assignments will be posted and available in the main lobby when they arrive. Caps, gowns and graduation tickets will be given out at this time **ONLY**. If your child did not order his/her cap and gown earlier in the year, he or she must see Mrs. Boucher or Mrs. Behrhof, Class Advisors, immediately.

**The Senior Prom will be held on Wednesday, June 20 from 7:00 PM – 11:00 PM at Majestic Gardens, Rocky Point** All students who plan to attend the prom are required to attend the mandatory pre-prom meeting on **Thursday, May 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7:00 PM in the High School auditorium** with at least one parent or guardian. **Students who do not attend this meeting with at least one parent or guardian will not be permitted to attend the prom.**

**Graduation is scheduled for Thursday, June 21 at 6 p.m. on our football field** and should last for approximately 1 ½ hours. In the event of inclement weather, graduation will be held on Friday June 22<sup>nd</sup> at 6 p.m. rain or shine. In preparation for graduation, students and parents are reminded of the following:

- It is both a privilege and an honor to attend our graduation ceremony. Graduates of the Class of 2018 are invited to participate and they are to treat it as a solemn and formal occasion.
- Only students who have met all graduation requirements by June 21, 2018 will be permitted to participate in the ceremony.
- Due to limited space, guest tickets will be limited to six per graduate for an outdoor ceremony and only two per graduate should we need to relocate indoors. Tickets for both will be issued at rehearsal. The tickets are needed for admission to the spectator viewing area.
- For graduation, all students are expected to dress appropriately. Shorts, t-shirts, flip flops, etc. are not considered appropriate dress. The Red Graduation robes will be non-returnable. Graduates who choose not to dress appropriately will not be permitted to participate in the ceremony.
- Any graduate appearing under the influence of alcohol and/or drugs will not be permitted to participate in the ceremony.

- Graduates will receive diploma covers only during the ceremony. The actual diploma will be available for distribution at the high school immediately after the graduation ceremony. Graduates will return to their line-up room to sign and receive their own diploma.
- Guests are asked to remain in the bleacher area for the entire ceremony. For safety reasons, guests are not permitted on the field for any reason. Exception will only be considered for guests who are bound to a wheelchair, require the use of a walker or who have another handicapping condition that prohibit them from accessing the bleachers.
- A professional photographer will be on hand to take the picture of each graduate as the diploma cover is presented. Parents will have the option to purchase the professional photo.

**Please know that seniors who have been disciplined for violations under the district's Code of Conduct may be excluded from the prom and/or graduation.**

Thank you in advance for having your son or daughter abide by our expectations. By doing so, we will have a memorable graduation ceremony of which we can all be proud.

Very truly yours,



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Dear Parent/Guardians and Seniors:

As indicated on the district calendar, on **Thursday, May 3rd, at 7:00 PM**, East Islip High School will host a **mandatory pre-prom meeting** for all senior students, and their parent/guardian(s), who plan to attend the senior prom. **Students who do not attend this mandatory meeting with a parent or guardian will not be permitted to attend the prom. No exceptions will be made.** Students who may have a conflict with work should speak with their employer now to assure that they are available for the mandatory pre-prom meeting on May 3<sup>rd</sup>. **If you are able to clear your calendar to attend the prom, you are able to clear your calendar to attend the mandatory meeting permitting you to attend the prom.** Please note that if your child is bringing a date who does not attend East Islip Schools, the non-district student and their parent or guardian **do not** have to attend this meeting. Details about non-district students will be discussed during the meeting.

The purpose of this meeting is to review behavioral expectations for students attending the prom. In addition, Kimberly Laube from HUGS, Inc. will present a program discussing the dangers of drugs and alcohol and making good choices. I will also review the Board of Education policy that authorizes school administrators to administer a Breathalyzer exam to any student who appears to be under the influence of alcohol. Finally, I will share important information about the consequences associated with inappropriate behavior at the prom.

After the presentation, a contract will be distributed that must be signed by the student and their parent or guardian. This document must be completed before a prom ticket can be purchased.

Our goal for the senior prom is to provide a safe environment where our students can celebrate their time together at East Islip High School. With your cooperation, we believe that the prom will be a night our students will remember forever for the **positive** memories they create!

Sincerely,

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