

COMMENCEMENT/GRADUATION CEREMONY

1. **Graduation: Friday, May 27, 2016, 6:00 p.m., NexTier Stadium**

- * In case of inclement weather, the following alternative schedule will apply:
 - As soon as weather permits – NexTier Stadium, Friday, May 27, 2016, (no later than 8:00 p.m.).
 - If Friday evening is cancelled, 10:00 a.m. – NexTier Stadium, Saturday, May 28, 2016.
 - Indoor ceremony (if necessary) Two sessions - Intermediate High School Auditorium, Saturday, May 28, 2016, starting at 10:30 a.m.
- * **Students should arrive 60 minutes prior to the start of the ceremony** (Friday, May 27th at 5:00 p.m. or Saturday, May 28th at 9:00 a.m.). Please do not have purses or other unnecessary personal items with you. Students will be checked as they enter the auditorium.
- * On the final day of graduation practice, students will receive tickets marked “Parent/Family” for admission to seating on the home side bleachers. These same tickets will be required for seating in the auditorium if an indoor ceremony is required. There are also tickets marked “Guests”. These may also be used for seating on the home side bleachers during an outdoor ceremony. Those without tickets will be seated on the visitor side of the bleachers. If an indoor ceremony is required, any guests or family who do not have “Parent/Family” tickets will be able to view the commencement ceremony via closed circuit television broadcasts in the Intermediate High School and 7/8 Middle School cafeteria or gymnasium.
- * Holders of “Parent/Family” tickets will be the only family members admitted to the auditorium for the indoor ceremonies.

2. **Participation in the graduation ceremony is encouraged of all qualifying seniors.**

3. **The student attire for this formal ceremony is as follows:**

- * The cap is to be worn “flat”, pulled well down on the forehead and without decoration.
- * **Ladies:** 1. Cap and gown
2. Blouse and skirt/slacks or dress
3. Flat shoes, no high heels
4. **No Purses**
- * **Men:** 1. Cap and gown
2. **Collared shirt, neck tie and full length slacks**
3. Dress Shoes, no tennis shoes, no sandals.
- * STUDENTS ARE NOT PERMITTED TO ALTER THE APPEARANCE OF THEIR CAP OR GOWN.
- * **Students will be required to return home for proper dress in the event they report for the ceremony in unacceptable attire.**

4. **Photographs:**

- * Each student will have their picture taken receiving their diploma. An order form is included in this packet of information with descriptions of costs and packages available. These orders should be returned to the Seneca Valley **Senior High School Guidance Office** by May 13, 2016.

5. **In all instances, we solicit parental cooperation in our efforts to make this special day a positive and memorable occasion for all seniors and their families.**

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If your graduate will **NOT** be able to participate in the Commencement Ceremony on May 27, 2016, please sign the following statement and return to the **Senior High School Guidance Office** before Friday, May 13, 2016. Thank you.

I am aware that my son/daughter _____ is **not participating** in the Commencement Ceremony on May 27, 2016.

Date

Signature of Parent/Guardian