# THE CLASS OF 2021 SENIOR GUIDE For Seniors and Their Parents **Auburn Riverside High School**

## **Graduate Information**

## The Class of 2021

## \*Special Senior Events\*

\*<u>Senior Social</u> - Saturday, June 12 Auburn Riverside 4:00 p.m. -6:00 p.m.

### **Graduation Seating Partner Requests -**

Due Friday, May 28

Found in Senior Graduation Survey on ARHS Home Page Senior Checklist

\*<u>Senior Yearbook Distribution</u>\* – Saturday, June 12 At Senior Social (Above)

\*Senior Week\* - Nightly, June 14 - 17 @ 6 PM

Monday, June 14
Tuesday, June 15
Wednesday, June 16
Thursday, June 17
Senior Tributes
Senior Awards
Senior Slideshow
Senior Assembly

\*<u>Graduation Ticket Distribution\*</u> – Saturday, June 12 Begins at Senior Social (Above)

\*Senior Finals Week\*
June 14 - 18

\* <u>Commencement Ceremony</u>\* – Saturday, June 19, <u>2:00 p.m.</u>

\* Note time change for 2021

Seniors report to ARHS Auxiliary Gymnasium – 12:15 p.m. and <u>take bus</u>
to Auburn Memorial Stadium

\*Graduates will return to ARHS on the bus.

\*Cap, Gown, Tassel and Medallion Ordering

**Please order** *immediately* @ www.RRGrad.com. Orders will be mailed directly to you if the order is placed by May 28. Size and availability are not guaranteed after this date.

## **Graduate Information**

<u>Graduation</u>: Only seniors who have been officially approved may walk in the Commencement Ceremonies.

Attire: \*Masks are required for Graduation. All seniors must wear the official cap with tassel, gown and medallion for Commencement. Seniors may decorate caps and may wear ARHS honor and recognition cords or medallions at the ceremony. Graduates are expected to dress appropriately for a ceremony of this nature. Students who have religious/cultural imperatives that require an addition to the graduation apparel must submit paperwork to the principal no later than June 9<sup>th</sup>. Paperwork may be picked up in the main office.

<u>MALE</u>--A collared shirt with a regular tie should be worn. Sport coats should <u>not</u> be worn under the robe. Slacks/suit pants should be pressed and shoes should be shined/clean. No casual beach sandals or shoes will be allowed. **Sunglasses will not be permitted.** 

FEMALE—A dress or dress slacks are most appropriate. Flat or chunky heeled shoes must be worn for the safety and protection of each graduate, as well as the astro-turf and artificial track surface. No flip flops please. No spike or stiletto heels allowed!! The graduation cap must fit squarely on top of your head. Wear a hair style that will accommodate this cap. Use bobby pins if you need to. Sunglasses will not be permitted.

**Behavior:** Only appropriate behavior will be accepted. Graduation is a sophisticated ceremony holding dignity for all, including participants, parents, and guests. Inappropriate behaviors during senior events, including graduation, may result in removal from graduation ceremonies and will require completed community service hours before a diploma is released.

# **Graduate Information** (cont.)

Senior Line-up: Seniors must arrive at the back doors of the auxiliary gymnasium, wearing masks, at 12:15 p.m. Graduates and faculty only will be allowed in the auxiliary gymnasium before the ceremony. BAGS, CAMERAS, PURSES, CELL PHONES, ETC., WILL NOT BE ADMITTED INTO THE GYM FOR SENIOR LINEUP! These items will be confiscated in the gym. They will be available for retrieval at Auburn Riverside after Graduation. Graduates must have their caps, gowns, and tassels in their hands prior to entering the auxiliary gymnasium. Once they have entered, grads will not be allowed to leave the auxiliary gym. All seniors participating in Commencement must be present at the ARHS aux. gym and must be transported to and from the stadium by the buses provided.

The **ARHS** parking lot is not supervised during Commencement. Please consider this when making transportation arrangements.

<u>Drug/Alcohol/Tobacco Use:</u> Any students who are found to have been using alcohol or other drugs will not be allowed to participate in the ceremonies. The use of alcohol, tobacco, or other drugs is strictly forbidden at any school district event.

#### Picking up Diplomas:

Diplomas will be mailed to you unless you choose to have it held at ARHS for pick up. Please complete this <u>form</u> to ensure that your diploma is sent to your correct address. Diplomas will be mailed no later than July 15<sup>th</sup>, and if you elect to pick it up in person you may do that anytime after July 15<sup>th</sup>.

# **Guest Information**

<u>Disability Parking:</u> Special parking is available with a requested special vehicle pass or with a State Disability Parking Placard. Please contact Elena Lindell at 804-5154 in advance to request a special pass for reasons such as the elderly, inability to walk distances, or other special needs. Special/Disability parking will be located on Fourth St. NE across from the pool (enter from the west on 4<sup>th</sup> St NE) or the AMS Visitor area off of H St (enter from H St). Fourth St. NE will be closed to all *through* traffic between "E" & "H" St. starting at 12 noon. All special parking passes requested in advance will be inserted into your graduate's Commencement ticket envelope. These and/or State Disability Placards will be necessary to enter the closed street areas.

**Disability Seating:** Please request in advance special elderly or disability seating passes by completing the Senior Graduation Survey on the ARHS Home Page Senior Checklist, or by contacting Elena Lindell at 804-5154. Accessible seating will be available. The family members will be seated together in the accessible seating area, using one of the 4 tickets per Senior, for a total of 4 tickets per Senior.

<u>Young Children:</u> With respect to the graduates, performers, speakers, and fellow audience members, please be aware that the Commencement ceremony may not be favorable for young children. All children who can walk will need a ticket. Please be considerate of others also in attendance and consider alternate plans for young children. All members of the audience need to remain seated and as quiet as possible.

# **Guest Information** (cont.)

NO Noise Makers/Loud Vocals and NO Balloons: With respect to the graduates, performers, speakers, and fellow audience members, please be aware that the Commencement ceremony is not the environment for noisemakers and loud vocal responses. Balloons will also not be allowed in the stadium as they are a distraction and obstruct the view of the ceremony. There will be no opportunity to give items to Seniors, as they will be returning to ARHS by bus immediately following the ceremony. Please be considerate of those also in attendance who wish to hear their graduate's name recognized and watch their graduate cross the stage.

<u>Camera/Video Recorders:</u> Professional photographs will be taken as each graduate receives his/her diploma. These will be made available by mail after Commencement. Flash cameras and video cameras are allowed; however, <u>no tripods will be permitted.</u>
No power will be available. <u>No one will be allowed to loiter</u> near the walkway or hand railings to take pictures.

General Parking and Seating: Seating will be reserved, with assigned seating numbers on the tickets. Plan to arrive early to locate your seat prior to the ceremony. Parking is offered in the following areas: the PAC/Stadium parking from the 4<sup>th</sup> St. NE entrance near the baseball fields or the I St. entrance behind the Auburn Pool, the Administration Building parking lot, or on the streets in the surrounding area. Fourth St. NE will be closed to all *through traffic* (Disabled parking available only, please see the section on reserved Disabled parking) between "F" & "H" Streets starting at 12 noon. There will be no parking in the Veteran's Memorial Park area.

<u>Late Arrivals:</u> Guests arriving after 2:00 p.m. Will be asked to wait for an appropriate and non-disruptive time in the ceremony to take their seats. This is to reduce interruptions during the

ceremony. Please plan ahead to be within the gates of the stadium before 1:45 p.m. for optimal viewing opportunity.

# **General Information**

#### **GRADUATION DAY:**

Date: Saturday, June 19, 2021

**Place:** Auburn Memorial Stadium, 4<sup>th</sup> street entrance.

<u>Time:</u> Ceremony starts at 2:00 p.m. Auburn Memorial Stadium gates open to ticket holders at 1:00 p.m. Please plan to be seated by 1:45 p.m., plan for road blockages, distant parking (see below), and time to find reserved seats.

\*Graduates will be transported to and from Auburn Memorial Stadium by bus. \* Students may be reunited with families at ARHS. Considering limited parking families may choose to meet at home.

<u>Tickets:</u> All confirmed graduates will receive four (4) tickets for Commencement. Tickets are released only to confirmed graduates, no designees. Ticket distribution will begin at the Senior Social, Saturday, June 12 from 4 to 6 PM For students that are not able to attend the Senior Social, tickets may be picked up before or after school at the pick-up window. Final day of ticket distribution will be Friday, June 18, the day before graduation, ending at 3:00 p.m.

**<u>Extra Tickets:</u>** Due to Health Department capacity requirements, there will be no extra tickets.