

SENIOR EXPECTATIONS

As seniors during your last semester at Jacobs High School, we want to be sure that we clearly communicate with you our expectations for a positive and successful finish to your high school career. We believe that together we can make the final moments at JHS memorable and rewarding.

Important Dates:

Wednesday, April 5th	No School for Freshmen and Seniors due to SAT testing
Friday, April 28th	Prom at Renaissance, Schaumburg
May 1st thru May 12th	AP Testing
Wednesday, May 3rd	ESPY's at 6:00 p.m. at Jacobs
Thursday, May 11th	Last day for Seniors (unless they have finals on May 12th)
Tuesday, May 16th	Senior Awards Celebration at 7:00 p.m. at Jacobs
Thursday, May 18th	Senior Day & Senior visits to Elementary Schools
Friday, May 19th	Senior Breakfast and Graduation Rehearsal at 8:15 a.m at Jacobs
Saturday, May 20th	Graduation at 6:00 p.m. at the Sears Center

Final Exemption Policy:

- B- or better
- No more than 8 total absences for any reason- College Visits, Doctor Appointment
- No disciplinary referrals -Includes Tardies, Parking, Cell Phone, etc.

Prom Attendance:

Prom is Friday, April 28th, at the Renaissance Hotel in Schaumburg.

Please note that this is a LATE START FRIDAY! 5th period ends at 12:38.

A student will be excused after 5th period on Friday, April 28th if:

- he/she has purchased a ticket for Jacobs High School prom and is on the prom list
- he/she has attended all his/her regularly scheduled classes up until that point in the day
- his/her parent has called to excuse him/her

This absence will not count toward the 8 allowed absences for seniors to be exempt from finals.

This is only applicable for Jacobs prom goers.

If a student has 5th period lunch, he/she may leave at the start of 5th.

If a student is absent and does not follow these guidelines, he/she will not be allowed to attend prom.

If you have any questions or specific concerns, please consult your Assistant Principal.

Senior Pranks:

In an effort to ensure that we have a successful end to the school year, I would like to work with the senior body to create new traditions that allow us to honor their time here and reduce the chances for vandalism or potential disciplinary action that could impact graduation or participation in other school sponsored activities.

Senior pranks may have begun as an opportunity through which departing seniors had some fun in a respectful way. These activities were never intended to include acts of vandalism or jeopardize staff or students' safety. Sadly, over the years, these pranks have deteriorated resulting in property damage to our school fields, stadium, and surrounding buildings. These were costly to repair and also served to diminish our reputation within the community. I believe there are far better options available for us to celebrate. Senior talent show, senior block party (parking lot), or senior field day are just a few options.

I look forward to working with the senior class to establish new traditions that will honor their transition, allow them to say goodbye, and have an opportunity to reflect on all the positive experiences they have had.

Please remember, we will close the school year in a positive and safe manner. As such, please be reminded that all school rules apply through the end of the school year. Pranks and other activities are not allowed. Students should know that discipline alone is not the only consequence. Acts of vandalism or those that jeopardize the safety of others could result in fines and have legal ramifications. In addition, students who participate in such events will not be allowed to participate in any graduation, athletic, or other end of the year activities.

Graduation

The same is true for our graduation. While some of you will go on and do amazing things and have many more prestigious ceremonies, keep in mind that for some of our students, this will be their only graduation ceremony. When families and students choose to celebrate a specific graduate, it can frequently take away from the moment of the following graduates. Sometimes that timing is extremely disrespectful of the person who is receiving his/her diploma at that moment.

At the end of the ceremony, when we present the Jacobs High School Class of 2017, it is the appropriate time to celebrate every graduate. Out of respect for your classmates and peers, please encourage family and friends to hold their exuberance until the final moment.