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April 8, 2025

Dear Parents of the Class of 2025:

We would like to share some important information with you regarding preparations for your student's upcoming graduation and ask that you discuss these details with your son or daughter. Our graduation will be held on Monday, May 12, at 4:30 p.m. at Desert Diamond Arena located at 9400 W Maryland Ave, Glendale, AZ 85305.

Academic Standing

It is important that each student complete all necessary coursework in order to pass all classes, which are needed to fulfill graduation requirements. If you have any questions about the requirements for graduation, or your student's status, please contact the Guidance Office at 623.932.7200 ext. 2008.

Diplomas

Diplomas are legal documents and, as such, will be printed in the student's legal name as it appears on his or her birth certificate. Graduates will only receive a diploma cover during the commencement exercise. **Diploma pick up will be on Tuesday, May 13th through Friday, May 16th, between 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Please enter at the Attendance Office to sign for your diploma. Please bring a photo ID. Only the student will be permitted to pick up the diploma.**

Bookstore Account and Senior Checkout

All textbooks, library books, school owned items (CTE equipment, athletic uniforms, etc.), must be returned. Senior checkout will be completed through an electronic process. Students will be emailed a senior checkout "app" to be completed before diploma pick up. Students will complete the gifting process for their Chromebook on the day they take their English final. They will be allowed to keep their Chromebook through this gifting process. **Diplomas will not be released until all outstanding obligations have been resolved.** For additional information regarding bookstore accounts, and/or payment plans, please contact Mrs. Sleeth or Mrs. Lopez in our Bookstore at 623.932.7200 ext. 2037.

Caps & Gowns

Order your cap and gown through Jostens if you haven't done so already ASAP! Our cap and gown delivery date was Wednesday, March 5th. Caps and gowns still needing to be picked up are available in the bookstore. If you still need to order, please do so ASAP. All cap and gown purchases must be made in person. If they have not been ordered yet, please call or visit Jostens. They have stopped online orders at this point. Address: 14827 N Cave Creek Rd, Phoenix, AZ 85032 Phone: (602) 765-7227

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Students will not be permitted to march in the graduation ceremony without a school-approved cap and gown. If you still need to order Senior Announcements, Class Rings and other Graduation Products, order online.... Please visit www.jostens.com, call 1-800-JOSTENS (567-8367) to order by phone or email them at www.jostens.com/contact. Availability is on a first-come, first-served basis.

Senior Honors Ceremony

We are extremely proud of the academic accomplishments of our seniors. We will hold a special ceremony on Thursday, May 8th in the Main Gym at 6:00 p.m. Seniors (award recipients) must report to the Band Room (N119) at 5:30 p.m. for line up and attendance. All seniors and their families are welcome to attend. The attire for this evening is their graduation gown (without caps). If your child has received a scholarship or award and you wish to have them honored in the ceremony, please submit all [awards here](#) no later than Friday, April 25th, by 2:30 p.m.

Graduates Arrival for Graduation

Graduates will park in Lot J (east side of arena) at the Desert Diamond Arena and must report to Gate 7; check-in begins at 3:15 p.m. for the ceremony. All graduates must be checked in **no later than 3:30 p.m.** **Students who are late will not be permitted to take part in the commencement exercises.** Only graduates will be permitted to enter at Gate 7. Graduates must come completely prepared for the ceremony with **cap, gown (carried in hand while going through security)**, and any approved honors cords or sashes. **No other items, including purses, backpacks, cameras, or food and drink will be allowed as we will not be able to secure these items. Students will have to return the items to a vehicle or to their parents.**

Dress Code

This is a formal event. Students must dress appropriately. Clothes worn with the gown must be: dress pants & dress shirt with tie, dress pants or skirt with blouse, or a dress. Shoes must be: dress shoes-no sneakers or slippers (flats are recommended due to walking on uneven surfaces and a ramp). All attire will be checked upon entrance to the arena. During the ceremony students will have their gowns fully zipped. All academic adornments can be worn at the graduation ceremony (stoles/cords). Cultural stoles may also be worn with the approval of administration (admin must see the stole for approval). No other adornments may be worn. The cap must be worn straight and level and pulled down slightly on the forehead. Tassels are to be worn **on the left side.**

Our graduates will be able to decorate their caps. Please be sure to follow the [Graduation Cap Decoration Guidelines](#). **Graduation cap designs must be pre approved. All designs must be submitted to Mr. Gordillo at rgordillo@aguafria.org by 3 p.m. Friday, May 2nd.** Caps will be checked when graduates arrive. We will not have replacement caps. Any students with unapproved caps will not be allowed to walk. **Administration will reserve the right to disallow anything that is not considered appropriate for the commencement ceremony.** Any questions regarding this policy should be directed to Administration at 623.932.7200 ext. 2005.

Graduation Practice

We will have graduation practice on Thursday, May 8th, during RTI in the main gym.

Guest Seating and Parking

There are no limitations for seating at Desert Diamond Arena. Parents will be required to park in the east parking Lot J and enter at Gate 4. The lot will be open and available for parking at 3:00 p.m. and the entry gate will open at 3:30 p.m. **Attendees will not be permitted to bring balloons, glass vases, or containers.** (A list of Desert Diamond Arena bag policy and prohibited items is attached.) Immediately

following the ceremony, the graduates will exit the building and meet up with families and friends at Gate 4. If you need special accommodations (ADA) please enter at Gate 3.

Appropriate Behavior

Senior pranks will not be tolerated. If your child participates in a Senior prank and/or demonstrates behavior that is not school appropriate, he or she will forego the privilege of walking at Graduation. If damage is caused to the school, no matter how little, law enforcement will be involved. If any student is disruptive during the graduation ceremony, he or she will be removed from the arena. This is an important event in the lives of our students, and we want the ceremony to reflect the dignity of the occasion. Disruption to the Graduation Ceremony and/or any other Graduation related events could lead to a student's diploma being held up to 6 months. Students who have their diploma held must seek reinstatement of their diploma through the AFUHSD School Board.

Photography/Video Recording

Grads Photography will be taking a close-up photograph of each graduate receiving his/her diploma. The ceremony will be live streamed on the [Agua Fria YouTube Channel](#).

Sincerely,

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