

2025 Graduation in the Trojan Arena

Charles Henderson High School Class of 2025 Graduation Ceremonies will be held on Thursday, May 22nd at 10:00 a.m. in the Trojan Arena

General Information:

- Doors will open at 9:00 a.m. for guests to begin entering the arena.
- Troy University has been very gracious to allow us to use their facilities for our graduation, so please ensure you leave the arena and campus clean.
 - **Troy University expressly prohibits balloons, confetti poppers, and air horns in the arena. This will be strictly enforced.**
- Guests are not allowed on the court or to stand at the rails.
- Graduates will walk to their seats from one side of the court and exit from the other side to maximize photo opportunities for families.
- We need your full cooperation to make this a memorable and positive event for our seniors. Any guest or graduate who does not comply with these regulations will be escorted from the arena.
- The graduation ceremony is a choice, and students may choose not to attend. **Each senior's name will be called regardless of attendance.**
- C-Spire will livestream the graduation ceremony. It will be available on C-Spire channel 2, and YouTube channel (C Spire Channel 2).

Important Graduate Information:

- Graduates should arrive at the south entrance of the Trojan Arena by 9:00 a.m. Details will be emailed and provided at the mandatory graduation practice (**ONLY graduates will be allowed to use this entrance**).
- Graduates will not be allowed to enter the arena with food or beverages.
- Arrive at the arena ready and with your robe on. Wear business casual attire under the gown. Males need a collared oxford-style button-up shirt (dress shirt) with a tie or bowtie, dress pants, and dress shoes (no joggers or jeans, and no Crocs or slides). Females need to wear Sunday-appropriate dresses, a skirt set, or a pantsuit/jumper with **appropriate shoes that you can walk in (we will walk the entire length of the arena)**; no spike heels, flip flops, Crocs, or slides. Flats or wide-heeled shoes are best for walking on the court. Do not unzip your gown until after the ceremony is over and you have left the court. You will **not** be allowed to carry purses, phones (turned off), keys, or any personal items into the arena during the commencement ceremony. All personal items will be left with a faculty member during the event and will be returned immediately

afterward. **ONLY cords and stoles distributed by the school may be worn during the graduation ceremony.**

- Once you arrive, you must find the spot with your name on it and remain there until instructed to do otherwise (we will line up on the practice court).
- Caps will be worn level on top of your head, and tassels are to be placed on the right side of your cap until everyone has received their diploma, and you are instructed to move them to the left side. **Caps cannot be decorated.**
- Students who do not follow any of these guidelines will be pulled from the line-up and not allowed to participate.
- **We will have a mandatory graduation practice at 1:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 21st, in the Trojan Arena.**

Photographs at the Commencement Ceremony:

- The Grad Team will photograph every graduate as they cross the stage and receive their diploma. A posed individual photo will also be taken of each graduate as they exit the stage. Print packages start at under \$10; however, there is no obligation to buy.
- To ensure that The Grad Team has the correct address information, graduates will have the opportunity to register during practice and before graduation. For additional information, contact The Grad Team at 833-4MYGRAD (489-4723) or at thegradteam.com/events.

Cord and Stole Information:

- **ONLY cords, stoles, and tassels distributed by the school may be worn during the graduation ceremony.**
- The orange CH v-neck stoles will be distributed right before the ceremony and collected immediately after.

Diploma Pick up:

- Diplomas will be distributed to graduates in the media center at CHHS on Thursday, May 22nd, from 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. **Diplomas will not be released until all fees have been paid.**

All textbooks, uniforms, and technology must be returned, and fees must be paid before graduation. Graduates need to check their PowerSchool account to see if they owe any fees. Email Mrs. Cargile (cargilea@troyschools.net) if you have any concerns or questions.

Congratulations to our Class of 2025!