

HIGHLAND HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION CEREMONY INFORMATION

WHEN: Friday June 3, 2016 at 7:00 PM

WHERE: Vivint Smart Home Arena, 301 W South Temple, Salt Lake City, Utah

SEATING AT THE ARENA:

This is a free, no-ticket event. All seating is first-come, first-serve. The Vivint Smart Home Arena is a large venue and there will be plenty of seating. If you are in need of special accommodations please see information below. If after reading the information below, you are still needing assistance, please contact us directly at 801.484.4343.

PROHIBITED ITEMS:

No Candy Leis, Confetti, Silly String, Air Horns, Balloons, Beach Balls, Signs, or Weapons. These items are not allowed inside the arena. If you have brought items listed, such as balloons, please leave them at home or in the car. Candy leis will not be allowed on the floor where the graduate will be seated. All other types of leis such as flower, grass and money leis will still be allowed. All candy leis will need to be left with family or friends in the stands prior to the graduation. The mess created from the candy as well as the wrappers left behind creates additional clean-up time and cost as well as takes away from the dignity of the ceremony. Please help us by continuing to be respectful and making sure the school does not incur additional clean-up costs.

PICTURES:

During the graduation ceremony guests may take pictures inside of the arena. (Guests will not be allowed access to the floor, this is strictly for those involved in the ceremony.) When taking pictures, please make sure that you are considerate of those around you. Do not block other guest's view. In addition to being courteous, please follow fire and safety guidelines by making sure not to block aisles or walkways. ALSO PLEASE NOTE: Graduates will be returning their gown before exiting the lower level of the arena after the graduation ceremony. It is very important that if you would like pictures of graduates in their cap and gown, to take these photos BEFORE graduation line up (Check-in and Line-up begins by 6:15pm, graduates must be in line by 6:45pm at the latest).

PARKING:

Please see the attached map. There is not a designated parking area, and since the ceremony is downtown, parking will be limited. We highly encourage families to take public transportation or car pool. West High School's West parking lot will have limited free parking. Please visit this website for TRAX maps, fees and locations: http://www.rideuta.com/mc/?page=uta-home-trax.

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ADA SEATING:

Seating is available for guests with disabilities at the top of each section just off the concourse inside the arena. ADA seating is not allowed on the Floor with the exception of students who are graduating.

STROLLERS:

Strollers are not allowed inside the Arena Bowl area as they block the aisles and the ADA accessible areas need to be set aside for wheelchairs and disabled guest seating. Strollers will need to be stored in the designated area. An usher will assist guests with storage.

PROCESSIONAL & RECESSIONAL:

Graduates will need to enter the arena and join line-up by 6:30pm at the latest. The commencement program will begin promptly at 7:00pm. Graduates will exit a different door than entering. Please see the enclosed graduation information (also on our website) for these locations: http://highland.slcschools.org/academics/counseling-center/Graduation-Information.php.

GOWN RETURN & DIPLOMA DISTRIBUTION:

Josten's will be located in the hallway on the lower level of the arena. After the ceremony is over, graduates will exit the floor and be guided to return their cap & gown, then proceed down the same hallway to pick up their diploma. From there they will exit the arena. Graduates must return their gown to receive the clearance slip to pick up their official High School Diploma from Josten's.

LAST BLAST: See enclosed flyer. Last Blast is a safe and fun way for seniors to celebrate graduation. This year, the party will be at Boondocks in Sandy, Utah. Students will need to reserve their spot with the Highland High Treasurer or online with myschoolfees.com (Cost is \$15.00). Students will meet at Highland High School at 10:30pm and take a bus to Boondocks (students <u>must</u> ride the bus with our chaperones to be admitted) and return to Highland High at 4:00am the next morning.

For more information visit our website http://highland.slcschools.org or http://highland.slcschools.org/academics/counseling-center/Graduation-Information.php