



YONKERS MIDDLE HIGH SCHOOL

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Dear Graduating Seniors, Parents and Guardians:

The conclusion of the 2021-2022 school year is fast approaching. I would like to take a moment to share with you some of the key events that will be occurring at Yonkers Middle High School. In addition, I would like to reaffirm some of our expectations in regard to the successful completion of these events and the school year. Please take the opportunity to familiarize yourselves with important information regarding our procedures for the various events listed below as well as our expectations regarding student behavior during the last two months of school.

Senior Prom: The senior prom will be held on **Thursday, June 9, 2022**, at The Surf Club in New Rochelle, NY. The prom starts at **7:00 p.m.** and ends at **12:00 p.m.**

The consumption or possession of illegal drugs and or intoxicating beverages at the prom, even if a participant is of legal drinking age, is ***strictly prohibited***. If a student and/or guest is caught using alcohol or drugs or appears to be under the influence, parents will be notified and disciplinary measures will be taken. If a student and/or guest appears to be under the influence of any illegal substance, they will **NOT** be permitted to attend the event. *Parents will be contacted and asked to accompany their child home for the evening; parents and students will not be reimbursed.*

Senior Breakfast and Graduation Rehearsal: Senior Breakfast and Graduation rehearsals will take place in the **Yonkers Middle High School** arena or cafeteria on **Thursday, June 23rd at 9:00 a.m.**

Commencement Exercises: The graduation will be held on **Friday, June 24, 2022, at 11:30 a.m.** at **Westchester Community College in the Physical Education Building gymnasium**. Parking lot 8, across from the gymnasium, is the only designated parking for families. Family and graduates must enter through the front of the gymnasium; which is ADA accessible. Parking lot 10, adjacent to the gymnasium, will provide an opportunity for pictures with high school administrators, teachers, and family. After the ceremony, graduates will meet their families in this parking lot.

Ticket Information: Each student will receive **two (2) tickets to graduation**. Due to the limited capacity at Westchester Community College, we will not be able to issue any extra tickets to students, there will be no exceptions. **ALL guests attending the graduation will be required to present a ticket in order to gain entry, this includes children as well.** Tickets will be given to students during the graduation rehearsal **ONLY**.

Commencement Exercises will be live-streamed: You will receive the live stream link in advance, to share with your family and friends, and it will be available on the District and high school websites.



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Bus Transportation: Bus transportation will be available to graduates who may have difficulty getting to Westchester Community College. Graduates should contact Mrs. León for more information.

Caps and Gowns: Caps and Gowns will be distributed during graduation rehearsal on **Thursday, June 23rd** at 9:00 a.m. A cap and gown are required to participate in graduation.

Appropriate Dress: Commencement ceremonies are one of the highlights of the year. Exemplary conduct and proper dress befitting this formal occasion are expected. We are encouraging students to wear clothing that is consistent with the occasion and appropriate (*i.e. no shorts, no sneakers, or flip flops*). Please speak with your child about making good choices for this event.

Guest Guidelines: Each guest is required to have a ticket for entry into Westchester Community College. Guests will not be allowed to stand in the aisles or in the back of the auditorium. All guests must be in a seat at the start of the ceremony. There will be no lap seating for children allowed. All guests will pass through a security screening in order to enter the gymnasium. *Guests are asked to remain seated during the entire event and will not be permitted into the aisles to take photographs.*

Important Dates to Remember

Event	Date
Senior College Sweatshirt Day	May 13 th
IB/AP Exams	April 28 th – May 19 th
Senior College Sweatshirt Day	May 13 th
Senior Awards and Honor Society Induction Ceremony	May 20 th – 9:00 a.m. @ Yonkers Middle High School Arena
Senior Class Meeting	May 23 rd during period 3 in the Arena
Senior BBQ and Field Day	May 26 th , 10:00 a.m. @ Sullivan's Oval
Final Exams	June 2 nd – June 14 th
Senior Prom	June 9 th , 7:00 p.m. @ The Surf Club
NYS Regents Exams	June 15 th - June 24 th



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Senior Breakfast and Graduation Rehearsal	June 23rd, 9:00 a.m. @ Yonkers Middle High School Arena or Cafeteria (<i>caps, gowns, and tickets will be distributed</i>)
Graduation	June 24th, 11:30 a.m. @ Westchester Community College

Please remember that only students who have met **all graduation requirements** will be permitted to participate in the graduation ceremony. The most common reasons for seniors not meeting graduation requirements are poor **attendance, incomplete work, and Regents exam scores**. Please encourage students to be in school every day and to remain focused on completing their assignments necessary in order to graduate. It is also important for students to remember all school rules remain in effect until the end of the school year. Behavior that disrupts the educational process at school may lead to suspension and/or denial of all senior events, which includes attending the commencement ceremony.

It is imperative that students attend classes through the last day of instruction, which is **June 14th**.

Respectfully,

Rodney Arthur
Rodney Arthur,
Principal

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Assistant Principal