## Senior Countdown 2021

March 29 thru April 23	Prom Tickets on sale from Mrs. Payne at the Daphne Campus of the Virtual School. Guest Approval Forms must be completed for outside guests prior to purchasing tickets. No tickets will be sold after 3:30 PM on April 23 <sup>rd</sup> . More prom information is available on the Baldwin County Virtual School web page.
Monday, April 12	Graduation Handshake Picture Packets (for Seniors walking with the BCVSS) can be picked up from the Daphne Campus of the Virtual School. Completed packets are due at Graduation Practice.
Saturday, April 24	Prom – Aircraft Pavilion at the USS Alabama. Doors open at 7:00 PM. The event ends at 11:00 PM.
Monday, May 3, 11:59 PM	Last day to submit work in all classes.
Tuesday, May 4	Math and Elective Final Exams
Wednesday, May 5	English and Elective Final Exams
Thursday, May 6	Science and Social Studies Final Exams
Friday, May 7	Make-Up Final Exam Day All Exams must be completed by 4:00 PM
Monday, May 17	<ul> <li><u>MANDATORY</u>: Graduation practice for Seniors walking with the BCVSS – Pelican Hall – 8:30 AM. Important information about the Graduation ceremony will be discussed.</li> <li>Caps and gowns will be handed out. Only those seniors who are clear of school fees will be allowed to pick up their cap and gown. Important Note: Just because you have a cap and gown DOES NOT MEAN you will be eligible to participate in the graduation ceremony.</li> <li>Guest tickets will be distributed.</li> <li>Counselors will finalize all transcript information.</li> <li>Last day to turn in Handshake Picture order forms.</li> </ul>
Wednesday, May 19 WHO TO SEE FOR WHAT:	<ul> <li>Graduation at the Daphne Civic Center for Seniors walking with the BCVSS – 2:00 PM. Seniors should arrive by 1:15 PM dressed according to the dress code provided below.</li> <li><b>TO RECEIVE YOUR DIPLOMA</b>: At the close of the ceremony, turn in your gown in the lobby of the Civic Center. All gowns must be</li> </ul>
	turned in before leaving. They will be shipped back the next day. You will be charged if your gown is not returned.
WHO TO SEE FOR WHAT:	

Fees owed: Mrs. Newton Graduation Credits: Ms. Lindsey National Honor Society Sashes: Mr. McKenzie Pictures: Mrs. Payne Scholarship Information: Ms. Lindsey Everything else: Mrs. Payne

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TEACHERS will be given the following information:

Please turn in the name of any senior student making an "F" for the course to the Senior Counselor when you turn in your grade sheets. Do not give an incomplete unless approved by Mrs. Resmondo. Please make sure all Seniors who owe fees have been turned in to Mrs. Newton prior to APRIL 30. We will hold their cap and gown until they are cleared.

#### ATTENTION SENIORS:

#### **CONFLICTS:**

If there are any conflicts with a **scheduled activity**, you are to get permission from Mrs. Resmondo prior to the activity to be excused, otherwise your absence will be unexcused, and the given consequences will be followed. However, you are being given plenty of time to make arrangements to make all of the activities from your exams to graduation night. Plan ahead now!

### **CAPS AND GOWNS:**

You will not be allowed to pick up your cap and gown nor participate in graduation activities if you owe for **fees**. These can be fees earned at the Virtual School or fees earned at your previous schools. Please make sure your record is clear as soon as possible. Contact Mrs. Newton if you have any questions regarding monies owed.

Just because you have picked up your cap and gown does not mean you are eligible to participate in graduation. You must have met all of your graduation requirements in order to participate. If you have questions about this, please contact the Senior Counselor – Ms. Lindsey.

Your cap and gown are coming from Balfour. The cap and tassel are yours to keep. The gown must be returned immediately following the graduation ceremony to pick up your diploma.

#### **GRADUATION:**

Because of seating limitations Seniors will be given a set number of tickets. We are awaiting final Covid guidance from the County before announcing the number of tickets graduates will receive. There is no cost for these tickets. If a graduate is in need of additional tickets, they are welcome to reach out to other graduates to make trades. NOTE: Graduation will be live streamed on the BCVSS Facebook page. More information will be given at Graduation Practice.

# MANDATORY DRESS – Boys: dress shirt, tie, dark dress pants, dark socks, dress shoes (brown, black, or navy) graduation gown, cap, and tassel. Girls: Sunday dress (dress, blouse/slacks, blouse/skirt), dress shoes, graduation gown, cap, and tassel.

You have been given a **dress code** for graduation activities. Anyone who is not dressed properly for Graduation will not be allowed to participate in that activity. Please do not test this policy. It would be a shame for your family to attend, and you are not able to participate. If you have any questions about your clothing, contact Mrs. Payne.

**Cap Decoration:** You may put minor, school appropriate decorations to the top of your cap. These should not distract from the formality of the graduation ceremony and may only be added to the top of the cap. Cap decorations deemed to be inappropriate will not be allowed.

Graduation exercise is a formal occasion. Many of you have worked very hard for this night and you will remember it for the rest of your lives. Show pride in your school, classmates, and yourself by behaving appropriately.

**Tassel Procedure**: At graduation, your tassel on the cap is placed to the left before the diploma is presented. As you are returning to your seat, it is moved to the right. Please remember to pause when accepting your diploma if you purchased pictures.

Please ask all family to remain seated until after the graduation ceremony is over. Also, please ask them to keep their cheering to a minimum as it usually drowns the name of the graduate behind you.

#### THE END:

Make the most of the time that you have left! If you have any questions, do not wait, contact Mrs. Payne immediately!!