

Senior Events Calendar

April 22nd	Senior Prom Ticket Sales Begin Continued Sales April 24th-April 28th before and after school Ticket Cost: \$110.00 each	9:00 a.m.-12:00
May 10	Cap, Stole, Gown & Graduation Ticket Distribution <i>Auditorium Lobby</i>	2:30-4:00 p.m.
May 13	Senior Prom <i>Crystal Gardens - Navy Pier</i> • Coach Buses Depart DGN • Arrive at Crystal Gardens • Prom Ends - return to DGN	6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 11:30 p.m.
May 23	Senior Handprints • Student Cafeteria	3:30-4:45 p.m.
May 23	Senior Awards Night <i>Clarence Johnson Auditorium</i> <i>By Invitation - RSVP Required</i>	7:00 p.m.
May 31	Graduation Rehearsal <i>Seniors report to Purple Gym</i> • Panoramic Picture • Graduation Ceremony Overview and Rehearsal	3:30 - 5:00 p.m.
June 2	Honors Convocation <i>Seniors report to fieldhouse</i> • Convocation in Purple Gym	8:45 a.m.
June 7	Graduation Rehearsal <i>Seniors report to the fieldhouse</i> Senior Celebration <i>Carstens Field</i>	1:30 – 2:30 p.m. 2:30 – 4:30 p.m.
June 9	Graduation Day <i>Seniors report to the fieldhouse</i> Graduation Ceremony <i>Carstens Field</i>	6:15 p.m. 7:00 p.m.

Prom Ticket Information

Ticket Sales begin Saturday, April 22nd at 9:00 -12:00 and continue to sell before and after school on Monday, April 24th - April 28th. Tickets are \$110 each ticket. The **Senior Prom** will be held on May 13 at the Crystal Gardens on Navy Pier. All students will be required to take coach buses to and from Navy Pier. The schedule for the evening is as follows:

5:30 p.m.	Check-in (Purple Gym)
6:00 p.m.	Coach Buses Depart DGN
7:00 p.m.	Arrive at Crystal Gardens
11:30 p.m.	Prom ends

Graduation Ceremony

Commencement is a time to celebrate the successful completion of high school. It should be a time of dignified celebration honoring the accomplishments of the entire class. North High School invites all seniors and their families to honor the tradition of pride and dignity that makes graduation at North High School a very special event as we celebrate the 87th graduation from our school.

Graduation is scheduled for Friday, June 9, at 7:00 p.m. on Carstens Field, weather permitting. Tickets will not be required at the outdoor ceremony. In the event of inclement weather, commencement activities will take place in the Purple Gym. All guests at the inside ceremony will need an admission ticket. Each graduate's family will receive four (4) tickets to graduation ceremony. No additional tickets will be issued for the ceremony. Reserved seating (limited) will be available for special needs guests. All guests are urged to be seated by 6:45 p.m. All graduating seniors must report to the fieldhouse by 6:15 p.m. *Graduation begins promptly at 7:00 p.m.*

The ceremony also will be broadcast in the auditorium (air conditioned) and on local cable television. Guests with special needs might find the auditorium more comfortable.

Cap, Stole, Gown and Graduation Ticket Distribution

Caps, stoles and gowns will be distributed on May 10 in the Auditorium Lobby immediately following the end of the school day. Graduation tickets will be distributed with caps, stoles and gowns. All current fines due must be cleared before the cap, stole and gown or tickets can be issued. Caps, stoles and gowns are to be worn at the Honors Convocation (June 2) and Commencement Ceremony (June 9).

Proper Attire

Senior Awards Night: Males should wear dress slacks and dress shirt with dress shoes; sport coat and tie are optional. Females should wear dress slacks and blouse, skirt and blouse, or dress and appropriate/dress shoes.

Graduation Ceremony: Caps, stoles and gowns must be worn appropriately to ensure the dignity of all commencement activities. Males must wear a white shirt, dark tie, dark slacks (blue or black preferred) and dark dress shoes. **Jeans, shorts, or athletic shoes are not permitted.** Females must wear light color dresses, skirt and blouse, or dress slacks and blouse. Shoes should be white or beige and should not have heels. *Please note that shoes with heels will NOT be permitted as they will damage the turf.* Please refrain from wearing or carrying flowers or balloons.

Graduation Rehearsal

To ensure all seniors understand procedures for graduation ceremonies, two mandatory rehearsals and the honors convocation will be held. All students intending to participate in the ceremony must attend both the rehearsals and the convocation.

Wednesday, May 31 - Graduation Rehearsal - 3:30-5:00 p.m. - Purple Gym

All seniors report to their assigned areas in the Purple Gym at 3:30 p.m. The senior panoramic picture will be taken. Immediately following the picture, graduation line-up and processional arrangements will be explained.

Friday, June 2 - Honors Convocation

All seniors report to their assigned locations in the fieldhouse, immediately following 1st period, with caps, stoles and gowns. Seniors will process to the Purple Gym, be seated as for the ceremony, and go to period 2 classes after the assembly.

Wednesday, June 7 – Graduation Rehearsal 1:30-2:30 & Senior Celebration – 2:30-4:30 p.m. – Fieldhouse & Carstens Field.

Special Graduation Notes

Gentlemen must remove their hats during the National Anthem and when the A Cappella choir is performing as directed by the principal. To maintain the proper dignity and decorum for such a significant event, air horns and other noisemakers are strictly prohibited. Graduates awarded diplomas should be recognized by polite applause. Counselors will distribute diplomas in the field house, immediately following the ceremony.

Pictures at Commencement

To ensure a dignified and smooth ceremony, guests are asked to refrain from entering the ceremony area. The stage and school officials will be available after the ceremony. The ceremony will be videotaped. Chappell Studio will take pictures of each graduate receiving his/her diploma and will contact each family with the proofs.

Fines and Obligations

Any graduating senior with outstanding fines or fees will ***not*** be allowed to participate in commencement ceremonies. **All known fees and fines must be cleared by 3:00 p.m. on June 1.** Please contact the school bookkeeper, Melinda Baur, at 795-8423, if you have questions. *Transcripts and diplomas will also not be released until all fines/fees are paid.*

NOTE: No personal checks for fee payments will be accepted after April 28.