

**East Forsyth High School
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TO: Parents/Guardians of Graduation Candidates

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SUBJECT: **Important Graduation Information**

The East Forsyth faculty and staff look forward to the culminating event of the school year, the graduation ceremony. As plans for graduation are being finalized, we would like to share some important information, which will hopefully provide an enjoyable ceremony for all involved. Please take time to read the following information carefully:

MANDATORY Graduation Practice at 6:15 p.m. on Thursday, June 9, 2011 LVJM Coliseum (main building)

Seniors need to park in the "Mountain Dew"/WEST lot. This lot is between the Coliseum and University Pkwy. If entering from University, turn left. If entering from Deacon Blvd, turn right to face the Coliseum building. When facing the Coliseum, the senior entrance will be on the left corner of the Coliseum. There will be a senior entrance sign. Seniors will be directed to the Coliseum floor area once inside. Senior names will be taped to the chairs for the practice. Do not bring your cap & gown to practice. Seniors must attend practice to participate in the graduation ceremony. Practice will last approximately one and one-half hours. Allow ample travel time because of Business 40/US 52 rush hour traffic

Graduation Ceremony at 8:30 p.m. on Saturday, June 11, 2011 LVJM Coliseum (main building)

SENIOR INFORMATION (They've been told. Please remind them!)

- Parking and entry will be the same as the graduation practice. The senior entrance will open at 7:30 p.m.
- Do not wear the gown to the Coliseum. Carry your gown over your arm until you are inside the Coliseum. You may wear your cap in. FOLLOW THE DRESS CODE GIVEN.
- Do not bring hangers, purses, cameras, etc. There will not be a place to store valuables during the ceremony. Have a pocket for car keys.

PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION

- Parents, family and friends should park and enter through the main entrance from University Pkwy. Please park in the Pepsi lot. Doors will open at 7:30 p.m.
- No ticket is necessary for admission to the EFHS Graduation. Parking is usually free!
- Guests in wheelchairs or needing assistance should enter through a non-turnstile door. See LJVM staff.
- Arrive early as the Coliseum requires a visual search of bags for security reasons. East faculty members have been asked by the Coliseum to help in this procedure. The Coliseum staff has asked that you bring NO helium balloons, silly string, noisemakers, laser pointers, food, or drink into the building. Our faculty and deputies have been instructed to ask you to leave these items outside. Please be understanding.
- The processional will begin promptly at 8:30 p.m.
- Parents/Guardians and guests will not be able to take photographs immediately after the ceremony. All graduates exit the Coliseum floor and go immediately backstage to pick up their diploma. Graduates will then exit to the "Mountain Dew"/West parking lot. Please take all photographs prior to arrival at the Coliseum.
- Seniors will be given a letter in their senior meeting on May 18, which outlines items listed above as well as proper attire for graduation. Please remind your senior to refer to this letter and adhere to all specifications.

Please work with us as we strive to provide a safe environment for this important event. Thanks in advance for your cooperation.