



# Earl Wooster High School

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*Dear Class of 2022 Senior and Family:*

*It has been a wonderful year and now it is time for the culminating activity that represents four years of hard work. I know I speak for the faculty and staff of Wooster High School when I say the Class of 2022 will be missed! You have persevered and succeeded and now we come together on Friday, June 10<sup>th</sup> to celebrate your graduation. The ceremony will take place at Lawlor Events Center, located on the University of Nevada Reno campus, 1500 N Virginia Street, Reno, NV 89557 at 2:00pm.*

***Important note: receipt of this letter is not verification of official graduation. Please refer to the graduation eligibility section of this letter for more information regarding eligibility.***

*Let me be the first of many to wish you my heartfelt congratulations to you and your family. I am so very proud of you. It has been a pleasure being your principal these past four years – you are memorable – and you will always be a COLT!*

*Leah Keuscher, Principal*

## **GRADUATION ELIGIBILITY**

Receipt of this letter does not mean you are able to graduate. Be sure you are eligible by checking with your counselor. You must have successfully completed all graduation requirements for the Class of 2022 in order to participate in the ceremony.

## **SENIOR PRANKS**

While senior pranks start out being innocent in nature, inevitably students tend to one-up each other resulting in property damage, vandalism, and/or students being hurt. Senior pranks are not condoned at Wooster High School. Any student participating in a senior prank will be denied the privilege of participating in our graduation ceremony. Additionally, legal steps will be taken against any student who participates in the damage or destruction of school property and/or harm to others. Furthermore, any senior prank will result in

the canceling of our Senior Field Day. We take pride in our school and our student body – please finish this year out being the amazing Colts that you are.

## **RETURN OF ITEMS & FINES**

Textbooks, instruments, library books, computers, and any item borrowed from Wooster High School must be returned during the week of finals. Outstanding testing fees, book fees, and class fees must also be paid to our school bookkeeper.

## **DIPLOMAS**

During the graduation ceremony, graduates will receive an “empty” graduation cover. After the graduation ceremony, graduates are to report to the main entrance hallway in Lawlor Events Center to pick up their diploma.

## **PICTURES**

Commencement photos of graduates will be available online at [events.lifetouch.com](http://events.lifetouch.com) ten days after the ceremony. Additionally, graduation will be live streamed from Lawlor Events center.

### **GRADUATION PRACTICE**

This year's graduation practice is on Friday, May 27<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. in the large gym. Please arrive on time for practice. Senior Sunset will be right after practice, in the quad.

### **GRADUATION CEREMONY**

Graduates must arrive to Lawlor Events Center at 1:00pm. The ceremony will start promptly at 2:00pm. Once arrived, students must stay until the end of the ceremony. Be sure to come "ready to go" for graduation:

- U Arrive well fed, as no food or drink will be allowed in Lawlor Events Center.
- U Come Dressed in your formal graduation attire and in your Cap & Gown.
- U Wear comfortable shoes as you'll be walking up and down stairs (special caution for graduates wearing heels)
- U We will not be able to lock up your personal belongings during the ceremony, Lawlor and Wooster are not responsible for theft, so please do not bring anything of value or that you would be disappointed to lose.

### **GRADUATION DRESS**

This ceremony will be one of the great times in your life that you get to dress up for. Here are the requirements for graduation attire:

- U Check your gown; lightly press it before wearing, using a cool iron setting.
- U The tassel is worn on the left of the cap before graduating.
- U Appropriate apparel under your gown is required. The Washoe County School District reserves the right to insist that the dress and grooming of students are within the limits of good taste.
- U No miscellaneous items are to be worn on the gown and no embellishment/decoration of graduation caps (i.e. flowers, pins, leis, beads, letters, flags, serapas, etc.) Only Wooster related awards may be worn, such as medals, stoles, and

cors that were handed out at the senior assembly.

- U No sunglasses, props, noise makers, confetti, or any other item that detracts from the ceremony.

### **GRADUATION BEHAVIOR**

Every year we inevitably have that student who brings beach balls, balloons, or an excited relative with a blow horn. Please know these items are incredibly distracting to spectators, and to students who are performing and giving speeches. It's sad when a family cannot hear their student's name being called as they cross the stage because a horn was blown or laughter due to beach balls. Please do not bring congratulatory balloons to the ceremony. They will block the view of others in the audience. Anyone caught with these items will be removed from the ceremony and escorted out of Lawlor Events Center by security.

### **TICKETS, PARKING & RESERVING SEATS**

Each graduate will receive 3 parking passes and 10 tickets for graduation. Parking passes must be displayed in the car window when parking at Lawlor. Any vehicle without a parking pass will be towed. Each graduate will receive 10 tickets. Doors open for family/guests at 1:00pm and a ticket is required for entry. The ceremony starts at 2:00pm. As a courtesy to all, each graduate's family may save no more than ten (10) seats upon arrival at Lawlor Events Center. Seats may be saved until the start of the ceremony. At that time, any open seats may no longer be saved and are open to all. Your cooperation is appreciated.

### **STUDENT GRADUATION SPEECHES**

Graduation speech/performance tryouts will be held on Saturday, May 14<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 a.m. Sign-ups to perform are being handled by lead counselor, Erin Danielsen. Seniors who try out have to be officially graduating and must show up on time to the tryouts, anyone arriving late to tryouts will be turned away, due to the amount of students who try out. Please know we will select performances based on our school-wide theme for the year. It will be explained to all students who tried out that if they were selected, their speech/performance may/will be altered to fit the needs of the graduation event.

## **COUNTDOWN TO GRADUATION**

### **Important Dates You Need to Know**

**U Friday, May 6th**

Come play Loteria with the Spanish Club from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. in the cafeteria. There will be food and prizes!

**U Saturday, May 7th**

Talent Show hosted by the Alpha Nu Nu Chapter of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity – 3:00 p.m. in the Gym.

**U Saturday, May 14th**

Graduation Speech Tryouts 8:00 a.m. in the Hart Theater. Sign up with Mrs. Danielsen in the office to try out. You must arrive on time for the tryouts – anyone arriving after 8:00 a.m. will be turned away.

**U Wednesday, May 25th**

Scholarship Night 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Gym

**U Friday, May 27th**

- Cap and Gown Distribution Gym 7:30 a.m.
- Senior Assembly 8:00-10:00 a.m. Gym
- “Wooster Walkover” 10:00 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. Put on your graduation cap and gown and walk the hallways of our feeder middle and elementary schools! Show off your Colt Pride, graduates – and inspire our future Colts!
- Senior Field Day 1:00 p.m. -2:30 p.m. on the football field. This event is hosted by Principal Keuscher for all seniors.
- Graduation Practice 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. in the gym
- Senior Sunset 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. in the gym & quad

**U June 1st – June 7th**

Return textbooks to teachers and pay all outstanding fees to our bookkeeper (checks payable to Wooster High School).

**U June 3rd – June 7th**

Final exams.

**U Friday, June 3rd**

Safe & Sober Grad Night to Six Flags.

**U June 7th & June 8th**

- Graduation tickets & parking pass pick up. Only parents/guardians listed in Infinite Campus may pick up tickets and parking passes. Each graduate receives 10 tickets, and 3 parking passes. For questions, email [edanielsen@washoeschools.net](mailto:edanielsen@washoeschools.net) and [miriam.rodriguez@washoeschools.net](mailto:miriam.rodriguez@washoeschools.net)
  - June 7<sup>th</sup> from 12:00pm – 3:00pm in the main office.
  - June 8<sup>th</sup> from 8:00am – 3:00pm in the main office.