



Wiregrass Ranch High School Seniors
Class of 2023 Timeline
Updated 1/3/2022



Class Sponsor: Ms. Rachel Miller
Senior Counselor: Mrs. Cathy Billington
Senior Counselor: Mrs. Whitney Powers

Assistant Principal: Mrs. Christy Rankin
College/Career Specialist: Mrs. Kristine Hensley

*Seniors MUST be eligible for On-Track Bulls Pride Band in order to attend Homecoming, Grad Bash, Prom and/or to participate in any senior activities. In addition, any senior involved with a "Senior Prank" will be removed from all graduation activities and the Graduation ceremony.

On going 1st Semester: Senior Crunch Time help with Mrs. Hensley, College and Career Specialist

- 10/3-8 Homecoming Week Activities, Homecoming Dance 3/8
- 11/30 Cap and Gown Presentation/Herff Jones Gym
- 12/1 Deadline to purchase Senior Tribute Pages for the yearbook
- 12/7 Cap and Gown orders/Herff Jones - lunch periods 4-7 - Cafeteria (last chance to order in person)
- 12/7 Cap and Gown orders/Herff Jones 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM
- 12/10 Senior Picture Deadline :Gigante Productions @ 813-907-1078 www.GiganteProductions.com
EXTENDED AND Final Deadline
- 1/11 Senior Panoramic picture: 2nd Period
- 1/20 Deadline to order Cap & Gown/Announcements (late orders add additional \$25)
EXTENDED to Feb 15th
- 1/20 Pay Senior fee in MyStudent (Rycor) Fee is \$50
MUST be paid before Senior Check out!
- 2/6 Grad Bash tickets on sale all week- must have paperwork completed and be On-Track to purchase,
(this event may sell out)
- 3/23 Final Senior Expectations meeting- Graduation/ Timeline/Check-Out and Senior Activities ☺
Today!
- 4/17-21 Senior Spirit Days
- 4/21 Deadline for completion of all online classes/coursework
- 4/22 Grad Bash - Universal Studios
- 4/27 Academic Awards night (for all grades) 6:00pm
- 4/28 Deadline for all DBA's for Eschool classes
- 5/1-12 AP Exams

5/15	Senior checkout forms distributed
5/18	Senior Scholarship Night by Invitation Only
5/20	Senior Prom
5/24	Senior Breakfast 9AM. Location TBD
5/22-24	Senior checkout/Cap & Gown distribution – lunches 4-7 Cap Decorating Agreements are due at senior checkout
5/24	Senior grades due
5/25	MANDATORY graduation practice @WRHS gym 9AM, dismissed after practice
5/26	MANDATORY graduation practice @WRHS gym 9AM, dismissed after practice
5/31	Senior notification
6/1	MANDATORY graduation practice @WRHS gym 9AM, dismissed after practice
6/3	GRADUATION @ USF Yingling Center 6pm, graduate be there by 5pm

Timeline will be updated as information becomes available (TBA).

Class of 2023 Year End Conduct

The WRHS Administration and Faculty has always been very proud of our students and their behavior. We expect this to continue for the benefit of our school and our students. As a warning, any student who participates in year-end pranks or vandalism will face serious consequences, which may include arrest, suspension, and exclusion from participation in graduation and/or other senior events. Students have been reminded of these expectations during an assembly on January 11th.

Grad Bash

Students will need to arrive at WRHS on Saturday, April 22 between 1 and 1:30 pm. The dress code is posted on the Class of 2023 page under announcements and will be sent as an individual message to each senior through MyLearning as well. Please pay attention to the dress code and ASK QUESTIONS before arriving for Grad Bash. These dress code guidelines come from Universal Studies and are stricter than Pasco County dress code rules. Only small bags (1/2 a sheet of paper or 14" x 18" drawstring) and fanny packs are allowed, the school is not responsible for things left on the bus, all bags will be searched prior to loading the bus at WRHS. Only water on the bus, eat before you arrive.

Prom

Saturday May 20th, Upon reasonable suspicion, all limos, party buses, and cars are subject to search as they arrive at the Prom. Any student who is found to have alcohol on board or to be transporting students who have consumed alcohol will be excluded from the Prom. Parents will be contacted, the student will face suspension from school, possible arrest, and will be excluded from all graduation activities. There will be NO REFUNDS.

For a senior to attend Grad Bash, Prom, and/or participate in any senior activities, students MUST be on track. In addition, any student involved with a senior prank will be removed from all graduation activities including the graduation ceremony.

Senior Breakfast

Wednesday, May 24th, at the Venetian Center, starts at 9AM. Students will provide their own transportation, if you need assistance, please reach out to Mrs. Rankin. This is a regular school day and all seniors should be in attendance for this time to celebrate with each other. Dress code is business casual.

Cap and Gown

Orders should be in at: <https://herffjoneswestcentral.com/>

Caps and Gowns will be distributed at the end of the senior check-out line. If a senior owes a debt for any reason, they will NOT receive their cap and gown until the debt is resolved. Those students may pick up their cap and gown at graduation practice after the debt has been resolved. Students should try on their cap and gown immediately to be sure that it is the correct size. The gown should be carefully pressed for graduation. The student owns the gown and does not need to return it.

Honor Cords

All graduates that qualify for honor cords will need to bring \$11 to final check out to receive these cords. In order to be eligible, you must have a weighted cumulative GPA of 3.2000 or higher for the first seven semesters of high school. All honor students will also be recognized in the graduation program.

Academic Awards Night

- April 27th – WRHS Gym
- 6:00 pm

- You must come dressed in appropriate attire (See Dress Code below). Failure to do so may keep you from participating in the ceremony. These are the same rules for your official graduation at the Yuengling Center.
- **This event is by invitation only.**

Senior Scholarship Night

- May 18th - WRHS Gym
- 6:00 pm
- **This event is by invitation only.**
- You must wear come dressed in appropriate attire (See Dress Code below). Failure to do so may keep you from participating in the ceremony. These are the same rules for your official graduation at the Yuengling Center.

Dress Code for Awards Nights & Graduation

Males

Dress pants with belt
Dress shirt and a tie
Socks
Suggested: Dark Dress Shoes

Females

Dress Pants
Skirt or Dress (appropriate length)
Blouse
Suggested: Dark Dress Shoes

All Graduates: Absolutely **NO JEANS, SNEAKERS, OR FLIP-FLOPS.** Students who are not properly attired will not be allowed to participate in the ceremony. Leave purses, cameras, cell phones, and all other personal items with a parent or friend in the audience; they may **NOT** be taken in during the processional.

Note: The mortarboard (graduation cap) is to be worn flat with the tassel over the left eye. Once the seniors are declared graduates, the tassel is moved to the right side in unison with the class. Mortarboards are to look like they did when received from the company or decorated following the guidelines and brought to graduation rehearsal for approval and collection (no additional decorations).

Please carry your cap and gown into the Yuengling Center. Security will do a visual search of all the graduates and a wand search as well.

Requirements for Graduation Participation

Students must satisfy state and district graduation requirements by the graduation date in order to participate in graduation ceremonies.

Please discuss your graduation status with your parents/guardians. If you have any doubts about this status, please do not hesitate to contact your senior counselors, Mrs. Billington or Ms. Powers at (813) 346-6000. Your senior counselors will be developing the final list of graduates through the morning of Friday, May 31st. This is a tedious process that requires, in some cases, refiguring grades from the final quarter and/or semester. If you do not meet all requirements, you will be notified by phone no later than May 31st

Graduation Rehearsal - MANDATORY

- Thursday, **May 25th**, from 9:00 am – 2:00 pm, Friday, **May 26th**, from 9:00 am – 2:00 pm AND ~~Monday, June 1st~~ ^{Thursday}, from 9:00 am until we finish the run through. (Appropriate school dress is required....DO NOT wear your Cap and Gown to practice)
- Graduation practices are held in the **WRHS Gym**
- Attendance is mandatory for participation in Graduation. Contact Ms. Rankin if there is an emergency, email: crankin@pasco.k2.fl.us

- We will review the order of the ceremony, learning how to walk in and out, where you sit and practicing reading student names.

Graduation

- Saturday, June 3rd at the USF Yuengling Center at 6:00 pm.
- Graduates must arrive to be inside the Yuengling Center by 5:00 pm to begin lining up. Any graduate that is late may not be permitted to participate in the ceremony. Please enter through Entry A.
- If you do not plan to attend graduation, please have parents e-mail Mrs. Rankin: Crankin@pasco.k12.fl.us
- You should have already verified your name with Ms. Powers through the Mach form for your diploma.

Behavior

Graduation is a momentous occasion not only for the seniors, but also for their parents, families, and friends. For that reason, the ceremony is to be held with dignity and courtesy to others. **All participants are expected to conduct themselves in a manner appropriate for the occasion, including the manner in which you walk across the stage. Any inappropriate behavior may result in your diploma being held pending a meeting with Mrs. White.** Anyone under the influence of alcohol or drugs will not receive his/her diploma and/or will be turned over to the appropriate law enforcement officials. This will prevent them from participating in the graduation ceremony.

Diplomas

Diplomas will be distributed in the corral by alphabetical order as you leave the Yuengling Center floor. Any student not meeting the behavioral requirements or whose financial record is not cleared will not receive their diploma. All diplomas not picked up at the Yuengling Center will be available in Student Services on Tuesday June 6th. Just as a reminder, if your diploma is withheld for disciplinary reasons, you will be required to meet with administration prior to receiving your diploma.

Miscellaneous Information about Graduation

- Tickets are NOT required for entry into the commencement exercises. Graduates may invite as many guests as they would like.
- Please arrive at USF via the Fowler Ave. & Bull Run entrance.
- There will be a cost to park and electronic payment is required. Cash will not be accepted. This is a Yuengling Center policy. Lot 6 has accessible parking available. We will give out the information to purchase parking in advance closer to graduation.
- No seats are reserved and may not be saved for other guests. Please arrive early to ensure that your entire party can sit together. All four corners of the Yuengling Center have wheelchair accessible seating available. Use Entry D for elevator access.
- **NO** noisemakers, bullhorns, whistles, firecrackers, laser pointers, etc. will be permitted.
- **NO** balloons or signs are permitted in the Yuengling Center Arena.
- USF will be selling flowers, concessions, and other small graduation memorabilia for a nominal cost. No outside flowers or food will be permitted.
- All guest bags are subject to search and no back packs will be permitted. All graduation guests will be subject to USF security measures upon entry. It is strongly recommended that guests only bring essential items with them to the ceremony.
- Cell Phones should be turned off during the graduation ceremony.

- Family and friends should remain seated throughout the ceremony (with the exception of the processional, recessional, National Anthem, and Pledge of Allegiance) as a courtesy to other graduates and their families and friends.
- Seniors will be photographed individually as they receive their diploma and congratulations from the principal. The photographer will notify seniors when the pictures are ready; purchases are optional.
- No one other than the graduates are permitted on the floor of the Yuengling Center Arena.
- There are opportunities to take family pictures before or after graduation outside the Yuengling Center Arena.
- We strongly recommend having a pre-planned area outside the arena for your family and guests to meet after the ceremony as the area can become quite crowded.

If you have any further questions or need additional assistance, please contact Mrs. Rankin at crankin@pasco.k12.fl.us or (813) 346-6000.

Sincerely,
Christy Rankin
Assistant Principal
Wiregrass Ranch High School



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Decorating Graduation Caps: Class of 2023

Categories:

- College, Career (including Military), WRHS Bulls School Spirit

Guidelines:

- You may decorate as you choose.
- Securely fasten decorations onto the mortarboard
- You CANNOT cover the entire mortarboard (edges MUST remain the original color of the cap)
- You must follow the categories listed above.
- It must be **SCHOOL APPROPRIATE**

Consequences:

If the cap does not meet the expectations, it will be exchanged with a blank cap the day of graduation. Your agreement must be turned in when you do Senior Check May 22nd to the 24th for you to be able to decorate your cap. If you do not comply, you will wear a blank cap or you will NOT walk at graduation!!

***This agreement is due on MAY 22nd-24th, 2023, will be collected at senior check out**

***Decorated graduation caps will be checked at graduation line up on June 3, 2023!!**

Agreement: I, _____, understand all the requirements and expectations outlined above.

Student Printed Name: _____ Signature: _____ Date: _____

Student phone number: _____ Student E-mail: _____

I, the parent/guardian of _____, understand all of the requirements and expectations outlined above.

Parent/Guardian Printed Name _____ Signature _____ Date: _____

Parent phone number: _____ Parent E-mail: _____

If participating, turn this in at senior check out May 22nd - 24th. Will not be accepted after the 24th.