



East Ramapo Central School District

105 South Madison Avenue, Spring Valley, NY 10977

A Unified Community Educating the Whole Child ...

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Ramapo High School
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March 3, 2023

Dear Parents/Guardians of Class of 2023:

Let me take this opportunity to offer my congratulations as your child moves through the final steps toward becoming a graduate of Ramapo High School. **Our graduation ceremonies will be on Friday, June 23, 2023 at 4:00 pm at the Clover Stadium, 1 Palisades Credit Union Park Drive, Pomona, NY.**

As our Seniors prepare for graduation, we all look forward to many other exciting events. Above all, we are concerned with the safety of our students; therefore, we are asking for your assistance to ensure that the **Senior Prom, which will be held on Wednesday, June 7, 2023**, will be an alcohol-and-drug free experience. With your help, we are confident that this can be accomplished.

Some students may attend parties prior to the prom. Please do not serve alcoholic beverages to minors. It is against the law and it puts our students in danger. We strongly recommend that you inspect the limousine or private car in which your child will be traveling. Remind the limousine driver that purchasing or providing alcoholic beverages for the minors is a criminal matter that carries serious penalties.

We are proud to say that for well over forty years, RHS students have displayed the highest level of mature and responsible behavior. The school administration does reserve the right to deny admittance to any student and/or guest arriving in an impaired state. In such cases, the student would be released only to a parent or guardian and appropriate disciplinary consequences will be implemented.

Please encourage your son/daughter to make safety a top priority so that these special events will be wonderful lifelong memories to be remembered in a positive manner.

Attached please find information regarding all of the upcoming events. **Please keep in mind that your child must complete all of his/her necessary academic requirements in order to graduate (earn a passing grade in 22 required units of credits.)** Feel free to call with any questions you may have. We look forward to a successful end of year with you and your student.

With best wishes,

Michael Phillips
Principal

C: Dr. Ellis, Superintendent of Schools
Dr. West, ASI of Secondary Education
Ms. Bino, Asst. Principal

Tracey McNeil, Senior Class Advisor
Wayne Kurlander, Senior Class Advisor

RAMAPO HIGH SCHOOL
SENIOR CALENDAR-CLASS OF 2023



WEDNESDAY, June 7, 2023 — SENIOR PROM

ALL SENIORS ATTENDING PROM MUST BE IN SCHOOL FROM 7:42 -10:33 A.M. OR THEY WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO ATTEND THE PROM! The Senior Prom will be held at the Rockleigh Experience, 26 Paris Avenue, Rockleigh, New Jersey 07647 from 6:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. (6:00-7:00pm –Cocktail Hour, 7:00-11:00pm Dinner & Dancing).

\$85 per person (deadline May 19, 2023)

Prom tickets may be purchased in the morning or during lunch periods (cash, or money order made out to RHS Senior Class 2023). (A professional photographer will be available to take pictures during the prom at extra cost.) The class advisors and administrators **strongly** urge parents to inspect limousines and personal cars to insure they are both alcohol and drug free. For the safety of our youngsters, it is important to insure that limousines are licensed. Any student arriving at the prom in an intoxicated or impaired state will be denied admission to the prom and no refund will be considered.

Please note: Neither the senior class nor RHS are affiliated with after prom parties. Any guest attending Prom with a RHS student must be 20 years of age or younger. No middle school students may attend. A Prom Date Approval Form must be filled out and returned no later than May 19, 2023.

MONDAY, JUNE 12, 2023 — AWARDS NIGHT

Seniors receiving awards will be honored for their achievements. The ceremony will be held in the auditorium from 6:30 to 8:30 PM. Invitations will be sent out to those Seniors receiving awards.

TUESDAY, JUNE 13, 2023 — SENIOR BREAKFAST –The Senior Breakfast will be held at The Crowne Plaza Hotel, **from 10:30am-1:30pm**. Seniors are to attend regular classes from 7:42 -9:15 am. At 9:20 am seniors will go to the senior assembly in the auditorium and then will be dismissed to attend the breakfast. Students may drive their own cars to The Crowne Plaza Hotel (only if they have a note from their parent). A bus will be provided for all students who do not have their own transportation. ***A signed parental permission slip is required from all Seniors to attend the breakfast.***

FRIDAY, June 16, 2023– GRADUATION REHEARSAL 9:00 am @ Clover Stadium

Graduation rehearsal will take place at Clover Stadium on June 16, 2023 at 9:00am. Every student who plans to be part of the Graduation ceremony **MUST be in attendance at graduation rehearsal**. Seating arrangements, and general instructions will be given out at this rehearsal. Bussing will be available for those who need it. You need to come to Ramapo HS by 8:00 am as the bus will leave by 8:30 am.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 21, 2023-Chromebook/Wi-Fi Retrieval & Cap & Gown

Distribution. Chromebooks, chargers, & Wi-Fi must be returned to Ramapo HS. Chromebooks will be collected from 8:00 am -2:00 pm. Please make sure you get a receipt from the main office before proceeding to pick up your Cap & Gown in the Dance Studio. Cap & Gown will only be given to students who show a receipt that confirms that they have returned their Chromebook/Wi-Fi.

FRIDAY, JUNE 23, 2023 – GRADUATION @ 4:00 PM CLOVER STADIUM
1 PALISADES CREDIT UNION PARK DRIVE, POMONA, NY

Graduation exercises will be held at 4:00PM on Friday, June 23, 2023. Seniors participating in the graduation exercises must dress properly for the occasion. Sneakers, flip-flops, or shorts are **not** appropriate. Seniors should not bring purses, valuables, yearbooks, etc. to the graduation exercises since **there are no facilities available for their safekeeping**. Ramapo High School is not responsible for any lost or stolen items. Students are expected to arrive by 3:15pm to line up.

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SENIOR PROM 2023 PERMISSION SLIP

Dear Parents/Guardians:

This letter is to inform you that on **Wednesday, June 7, 2023**, Ramapo High School will hold our Senior Prom at the Rockleigh Experience, Rockleigh, New Jersey. **All seniors attending prom are required to be in school from 7:42 – 10:33 a.m. on June 7, 2023, or they will not be allowed to attend the senior prom!**

If you would like to authorize your child to leave after 10:33 a.m., **please complete the form below and return it no later than 2:00 p.m. on Friday, May 26, 2023**, to Ms. Bino, Assistant Principal, Ms. McNeil or Mr. Kurlander, Senior Advisors.

Sincerely,

Michael Phillips
Principal

**Senior Prom 2023
(Detach & return)
Early Dismissal Permission Form
(After 10:33 a.m.)**

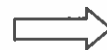
I _____, give permission for my
(Print Parent/Guardian Name)

son/daughter _____; _____,
(Print Student's Name) ID Number

to leave school after 10:33 a.m. on **Wednesday, June 7, 2023**.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____.

Parent's Daytime Phone Number: _____.





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Dear Parents/Guardians:

The Class of 2023 will hold their senior breakfast on **Tuesday, June 13, 2023**. This fabulous event will be held at the Crowne Plaza Hotel, Suffern, New York. **All seniors attending the breakfast must be present in school from 7:42 – 10:10 a.m. or they will not be allowed to attend the senior breakfast!**

All seniors need permission to leave school via school bus or personal car. If you would like to authorize your child to attend this special event, please **complete the form below and return it by Friday, May 26, 2023**, to class advisors, Ms. McNeil or Mr. Kurlander.

Thank you for your continued support! It has been our pleasure to be class advisors to your child for the past four years. We look forward to seeing you at Graduation.

Sincerely,

Ms. McNeil & Mr. Kurlander, Senior Advisors

(Detach & return to Ms. McNeil or Mr. Kurlander)
Early Dismissal Permission for Senior Breakfast 2023

I _____, give permission for my
(Print Parent/Guardian Name)

son/daughter _____; _____,
(Print Student's Name) ID Number

to leave school by 10:10 a.m. for the senior breakfast in the Crowne Plaza Hotel.

Please check, my child will ride: _____ School bus or _____ Use personal car

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____.

Parent's daytime phone number: _____.

As a unified community, the East Ramapo Central School District is committed to educating the whole child by providing a healthy, safe, supportive, engaging and challenging learning environment.



RAMAPO HIGH SCHOOL'S PROM DATE APPROVAL FORM

All RHS Students who are bringing a non-RHS date are required to fill out this form completely and legibly.

ALL GUEST APPROVAL FORMS MUST BE RETURNED NO LATER THAN MAY 19, 2023!

- Any guest attending Prom with a RHS student must be **20 years of age or younger**. No middle school students may attend.
- Students may invite only **ONE (1)** guest.
- All guests are required to present a picture ID at the check-in table
- Any non-student who has been suspended or expelled from any school in the past will not be eligible to attend the RHS Prom.
- All school and district rules and regulations will be enforced at the RHS Prom. Students who violate any school rule or any of the terms of this contract face disciplinary action.
- RHS students or their guests who leave during the Prom will not be readmitted.
- Any student or guest found to be under the influence of or in possession of a vaping pen/controlled substance will be removed from the dance. Law enforcement will be notified and parents will be called to escort the student home. All RHS students and guests must be willing to submit to alcohol/drug testing if requested by Administration. All students and their guests are subject to being checked for illegal or controlled substance prior to entry.
- RHS students are required to inform their guests of **all** contract rules. Guests are required to abide by all school and district rules and all terms and conditions of this contract. Any student or guest exhibiting disruptive behavior will be removed from the Prom and the student/guest will be released to the RHS student's parent or to the police if the parent(s) cannot be contacted.

NOTE: **No reimbursement or refund** will be given if the student/guest is required to leave the Prom.

Name of RHS Student: _____ Date of request: _____

Guest's name: _____ Age of Guest: _____

School Guest attends (if applicable) _____

Or Place of Employment (if applicable) _____

Contract Authorization

This section must be completed by an administrator from the guest's high school, an advisor from the guest's college, or by their current employer.

The guest named above is not older than 20 years of age and is recommended as a guest at Ramapo High School 2023 prom.

Name of Guest's High School/College/Current Employer

Phone Number

Signature from Administrator of Guest's High School/College Advisor/Current Employer

Date

Print Name of Administrator of Guest's High School/College Advisor/Current Employer

Date

RAMAPO HIGH SCHOOL REQUIRES A COPY OF A CURRENT STATE ISSUED PHOTO ID TO BE PRESENTED WITH THIS COMPLETED FORM.

AS A GUEST OF RAMAPO HIGH SCHOOL, I AGREE TO ABIDE BY ALL RHS & ERCSD RULES AND BEHAVIOR EXPECTATIONS AND THAT FAILURE TO DO SO MAY RESULT IN BEING REMOVED FROM PROM.

GUEST SIGNATURE: _____

RHS STUDENT SIGNATURE: _____

THIS FORM WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED AFTER MAY 19, 2023, NO EXCEPTIONS!

