

# CRESTWOOD SECONDARY CAMPUS

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Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s) of Graduate of the Class of 2022:

Although it may seem difficult to believe, the high school journey for our seniors is rapidly drawing to a close. For parents/guardians, this is always a special moment. Please allow me to share some specifics with you for your planning purposes.

I would like to extend my sincere congratulations to you on this occasion and the graduation of your child from Crestwood High School.

Graduation from high school is an event that comes once in a student's lifetime. The administration and faculty make every effort to provide a ceremony steeped in tradition, one that brings meaning to all graduates, their families, and loved ones. This is not an athletic event but rather an academic proceeding to honor a journey fulfilled, one that students and parents have envisioned for a long time. Our goal as a professional staff at Crestwood High School is to provide a ceremony defined by both dignity and decorum. Students and parents deserve nothing less and we make every effort in our planning to execute a memorable event, start to finish. To ensure that goal, I have reviewed with the seniors a number of expectations. I share them with you here in this letter. I ask that you read them carefully and underscore them with your graduate as well. The Crestwood School District community of administrators and faculty salute you on your graduate's successful completion of high school. We all look forward to a commencement ceremony of the highest order on June 11, 2022.

**COMMENCEMENT DATE:** Saturday, June 11, 2022

**TIME:** 1:00 PM

**PLACE:** Mohegan Sun Arena, Wilkes-Barre

**TICKETS:** Tickets are not necessary. Handicapped seating is available on the Mezzanine Level of the Arena. Those requiring handicapped seating should use the West Gate Entrance. Due to logistics associated with individual needs, we respectfully ask that one family member is assigned to assist each handicapped individual.

**SENIORS:** Seniors are to report to Mohegan Sun Arena promptly at 12:00 PM on Saturday, June 11, 2022 (bring cap, gown, tassel, stole and, if applicable, National Honor Society medal).

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The expectations listed below are reasonable and appropriate for an event of this nature. All Crestwood High School faculty, staff and students are working together to create an atmosphere of fond memories and positive experiences. Blatant violations of any of the following reasonable expectations may result in a student(s) being removed from the procession. This will only occur as a last option. Proper planning, thought, and consideration for all involved can eliminate this from ever being considered.

**ATTIRE:**

**SENIORS WEARING A WHITE GOWN:** Light colored clothing and dress shoes are recommended.

**SENIORS WEARING A RED GOWN:** Clothing color is your choice and dress shoes are recommended.

**SHOES:** Dress shoes – no sneakers or flip flops.

**GENERAL:** Denim, jeans, short dresses, as well as beach sandals or “flip-flops” or any form of shorts, do not comply with the reasonably high expectations of this pristine ceremony. Neckties are recommended when wearing a collared shirt. Adornments are permitted on caps but caps must be tastefully decorated and approved by administration in advance of graduation.

**GENERAL:**

Facilities Management at Mohegan Sun Arena has requested that all visitors to the facility be informed that event staff will screen all visitors entering the facility, including metal detectors. A clear bag policy (attached) will also be enforced. This procedure is meant to enhance the overall experience of all visitors and insure a safe environment. The screening will be performed with limited inconvenience to all guests.

Graduates are expected to behave in such a manner as to make the graduation ceremony a respectful, formal, and dignified event. The following expectations must be observed in order to receive a diploma from Crestwood Secondary Campus:

1. Any student appearing for commencement exercises in possession or under the influence of alcohol or any other illegal drugs will not take part in the ceremony. All school rules will be in effect throughout the commencement exercise.
2. All graduates and guests are asked to refrain from using “Silly String” or other aerosol-based confetti material.
3. Inflatable objects and air horns are prohibited.

**DIPLOMAS:**

Graduates are to pick up their diplomas at the designated location in Mohegan Sun Arena after Graduation or on Monday, June 13, 2022, in the Secondary Campus Main Office.

**PRACTICES:**

Graduation practices at the secondary campus will be held on Tuesday, June 7<sup>th</sup> after the “casual photo” and Friday, June 10<sup>th</sup> at 8:45 AM in the auditorium. There will also be a graduation practice at Mohegan Sun Arena on Thursday, June 9, 2022, at 9:00 AM. Graduation practice is compulsory in order to participate in commencement exercises. Seniors will be dismissed from school after practice.

**PICTURES:**

“CASUAL CLASS PHOTO”: Seniors who wish to participate should report to the gymnasium at 8:45 AM on Tuesday, June 7, 2022. Clothing attire should reflect what the senior’s future plans are post-graduation from Crestwood, for example, a military t-shirt or college t-shirt. Clothing is expected to be appropriate and tasteful. **Graduation practice will follow the photo in the auditorium of the secondary campus.**

CLASS OF 2022 PHOTO: Seniors are to report to the auditorium at 8:45 AM on Wednesday, June 8, 2022, for their Senior class photo (bring cap, gown, tassel, stole and, if applicable, National Honor Society medal).

INDIVIDUAL PHOTOS: A professional photographer will be taking pictures of each Senior receiving his/her diploma. It is not mandated that these pictures be purchased. If you are interested in purchasing pictures, please contact Lifetouch Photography at 1-800-836-3005 or 1-570-643-9079. A link to Lifetouch will be posted on our website, [csdcomets.org](http://csdcomets.org) and the Senior Class Google Classroom.

**SCHOOL OBLIGATIONS:**

All lockers must be cleaned, books returned to teachers, chrome books and chargers returned to the Technology Office in 2<sup>nd</sup> hall and all obligations, financial and/or disciplinary, must be satisfied by 2:30 PM on the last day for Seniors (06/06/22). Students with outstanding obligations will not receive a diploma until all indebtedness is cleared.

**AWARDS NIGHT:**

Awards Night will be held at 6:00 PM on Tuesday, June 7, 2022 in the auditorium of the Secondary Campus. Seniors are encouraged to dress in clothes consistent with the expectations of the graduation ceremony (denim, jeans, short dresses, beach sandals or “flip-flops” or any form of shorts are unacceptable attire). Parents/Guardians and family members of all seniors are invited to attend.

**CLASS NIGHT:**

Class Night will be held on Tuesday, June 7, 2022 at 7:00 PM on the secondary campus following the Awards Ceremony. All seniors are invited to attend. A catered dinner will be served. Students are invited to enjoy the senior slide show. Senior Class superlatives will be distributed. Class Night will be free of charge to all seniors. **This is a student only event.**

**IMMUNIZATION RECORDS:** Personal immunization records are accessible on Skyward.

**GRADUATION PROCESSION:** The procession (parade) is scheduled for Friday, June 10, 2022 at 6:00 PM. Students who wish to participate should report to the front parking lot of the secondary campus no later than 6:00 PM. Vehicles must be tastefully decorated. The procession will begin at 6:30 PM. Vehicles will process from the secondary campus onto 309 South and proceed to the campus of St. Judes and then back to secondary campus exiting the campus via South Main Road. Family members who are not accompanying a senior are welcomed to line up on 309 between the secondary campus and St. Judes to cheer on and support our graduates.

**CELEBRATION:** On Saturday, June 11, 2022, from 10:00 PM to 6:00 AM at Crestwood Secondary Campus. The PTSA sponsors this event. If you have any questions, please contact PTSA representative Kerry Casarella at [vinnydog@pa.metrocast.net](mailto:vinnydog@pa.metrocast.net)

Your cooperation is greatly appreciated. Best wishes for a happy graduation season.

Respectfully,

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