



BURROUGHS HIGH SCHOOL



73rd Commencement Ceremony June 1, 2018

Ticket Distribution: (May 21 – May 31)	Eight complimentary guest tickets are reserved for each graduating senior. Parents may pick up the tickets at the Administration Office during business hours (7:00 AM to 4:00 PM) from Monday, May 21 through Thursday, May 31 . Families not requiring all 8 tickets may “donate” their “extra tickets” to a file in the Administration Office. Tickets must be picked up by 4:00 PM on May 31. Tickets that are not picked up by 4:00 PM on June 1 will be put in the “extra ticket” file.
Extra Tickets: (June 1, 2018)	Extra tickets will be available in the Administration Office on a first come first served basis on June 1 from 8:00 AM to 2:00 PM. Parents may purchase up to 4 extra tickets per student at a price of \$5 (cash only) per ticket, while supplies last.
Disabled Parking:	A special parking permit for mobility-impaired guests will be issued upon request to parents when they pick up their graduation tickets at Burroughs High School. On the evening of graduation, only those cars having the special parking permit or a DMV Disabled Parking Placard will be permitted to enter a special designated parking area. You can obtain access to that area by following French Avenue to the end. A student or faculty member will be there to assist you and direct you to the designated area.
Commencement Attire:	Completion of high school is an important event in the life of a student. We want to do everything possible to make the commencement ceremony reflect the dignity of this event. Please discuss with your student the meaning of a traditional commencement and the behavior and dress that is appropriate. Appropriate dress for graduating seniors would be: Women - dresses, skirts or dress pants with dressy tops, and dressy shoes/sandals. Men - dress pants, closed-toe shoes (no sandals or tennis shoes) and socks, shirt with a collar, ties preferred but optional. No modifications may be made to the cap or gown. Students will not be allowed to wear auxiliary items such as leis, pins, scarves, etc. Only items provided by the high school will be considered acceptable. Seniors inappropriately dressed will be removed from the ceremony. Seniors with questions regarding appropriate dress for commencement should see an administrator <u>before</u> the ceremony.
Baccalaureate: (May 20, 2018)	Graduates and parent(s)/guardian(s) are invited to participate in the Baccalaureate ceremony to be held on Sunday, May 20 at 4:00 PM at Nazarene Church located at 571 North Norma Street with a reception immediately following. Local clergy will offer our Ridgecrest graduating seniors encouragement with this service as graduates enter into the next phase of their lives. It is requested that all participating graduates wear their cap and gown.
Commencement Rehearsal: (May 31, 2018)	Graduates will rehearse on Thursday, May 31 at 5:00 PM. ATTENDANCE IS MANDATORY! Students should arrive by 5:00 PM so that rehearsals can begin on time. Rehearsal is usually finished by 7:00 PM.
Commencement: (June 1, 2018)	Commencement begins at 8:00 PM. All graduates must arrive by 6:00 PM. Gates open for spectators at 6:30 PM.
Safe Grad Party: (June 1, 2018)	A Graduation (Safe Grad) All-Night Party will take place at the China Lake Oasis Pool from 10:00 PM, Friday, June 1, until 5:00 AM, Saturday, June 2. This very worthwhile event is being organized by a large group of parents and volunteers. Many activities are planned and food and drink will be provided. As we approach the date of this event, more information will become available to seniors through bulletin announcements and other forms of publicity at Burroughs High School. This activity is very well organized and will prove to be an entertaining event for graduating seniors. The faculty and staff at Burroughs High School fully support this activity. We strongly encourage all graduating seniors to attend Safe Grad. If you have any questions regarding the party or would like to volunteer, please call Stephanie Hudson at 760-977-0378. Tax deductible donations can be made payable to CFSG and sent to P.O. Box 2241, Ridgecrest, CA 93556.
