



GLACIER HIGH SCHOOL

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*Graduation Information*

PARENT & STUDENT BULLETIN

# PRE-GRADUATION INFORMATION

## SENIOR MEMORY SLIDE SHOW

A committee of seniors is putting together a slide show highlighting the accomplishments, events and times of their high school years. Their goal is to have a picture of every senior in the show so please submit Senior photos electronically to Trena Fuller at [fullert@sd5.k12.mt.us](mailto:fullert@sd5.k12.mt.us) by 3:30pm on Friday, May 14. The presentation will be shown at the senior class meeting on June 3.

**The photos submitted are for the senior class meeting only. They are not for the graduation ceremony.** The photos will not be returned and must be appropriate for a school venue.

## SUBMITTING SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION

Please notify the Glacier High School Career Center of ALL local, state, national, and school specific scholarships that have been awarded to the student. Please submit official and accurate information by **Tuesday, May 18** at 3:30pm. This list will be shared with friends, family, community, newspapers and online. Submit scholarship information on the [Scholarship Submission Form](#) linked to this document and located on the Glacier High School Career Center Website.

Please use the following format (name only, no other information needed):

|            |   |
|------------|---|
| Jane Doe   | MSU Freshman Distinction Scholarship<br>Carroll College All Saints Scholarship<br>American's Junior Miss Scholarship Foundation |
| John Smith | Concordia College Excellence Scholarship<br>Plum Creek Employee Scholarship   |

For questions or information please call the Glacier High School Career Center: Billie Crawford at 758-8634.

## SENIOR CELEBRATION (GHS SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS NIGHT)

The Senior Celebration is an annual event highlighting student scholarship and outstanding achievement. The Glacier High School Senior Celebration is **Wednesday, May 12, 2021**. It begins at 6:00pm in the GHS Performance Hall followed by a reception in the commons. The graduates will be awarded thousands of dollars of merit scholarship funds contributed by community service groups, local businesses, past Flathead area graduates and many caring and generous individuals.

**All students receiving invitations are expected to attend.** Attire is "nice school clothes." Due to COVID, attendance will be limited to 2 guests per scholarship recipient.

## SENIOR EXIT SURVEY

It is important for each graduating senior to complete the Senior Exit Survey. Seniors will have the opportunity to complete the survey during class on **Tuesday, May 18**. The survey link may also be found on the [GHS website](#). This five-minute survey asks many important questions including where seniors would like their final transcript sent.

## SENIOR INFORMATION PACKET

Each senior will receive a packet of information regarding graduation including their tickets for the graduation ceremony. The student's original immunization record will be included with the packet so it's important to not lose it. The packet may be picked up at the main office starting **Tuesday, May 18**. Each senior will need to sign for their packet as the tickets for the graduation ceremony will be included.

## TEXTBOOKS AND LIBRARY MATERIALS RETURN DEADLINE

Seniors must return all textbooks and library materials no later than 3:30pm on **Wednesday, June 2**. All textbooks and library materials (including calculators) not returned by 3:30pm on Wednesday, June 2 will be marked as lost and billed to student accounts which must be paid prior to receiving a diploma.

## FINE PAYMENT

In order to receive your diploma at the graduation ceremony, all school fees and fines must be paid by 3:30pm on **Thursday, June 3**. Payment will be accepted online at [myschoolfees.com](https://myschoolfees.com) or in the Glacier High Main Office. If you do not receive your diploma at the graduation ceremony, you may pay your remaining balance and pick up your diploma starting **Monday, June 7** in the Main Office. Official school transcripts will not be released until all school fees and fines are paid.

# PRE-GRADUATION INFORMATION

## LOCKER CHECK OUT

All seniors must be checked out of their lockers by 3:30pm on **Wednesday, June 2**. Tape and decorations must be removed and trash disposed of in the proper receptacles. A bin will be available by the Main Office for recycling of like-new school supplies such as three-ring binders, pencils, and paper.

## GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Students not meeting GHS graduation requirements by **Friday, June 4** at 3:00pm will not participate in the graduation ceremony on Saturday. The diploma will be issued after all graduation requirements have been satisfied. We do not allow representatives to “stand in” for a student. Please review pages 24-26 of the [Student and Parent Handbook](#) for additional information.

## SENIOR PRANKS

Individuals will be held accountable for senior pranks that promote illegal activities on school property. This includes actions that are disruptive, distracting, incompatible, or harmful to school operations. Depending upon the severity of the illegal activity, the discipline consequence may include suspension, expulsion and/or exclusion from the graduation ceremony.

## SENIOR SKIP DAYS

The administration does not condone senior skip days. Seniors are responsible for attending all classes, reporting on time, and making up any work missed due to an absence. Missing class may severely hinder a student’s ability to master the subject matter and this may be reflected in the semester grade.

## STUDENT GRADUATION ADVISORY

A group of seniors have worked diligently to put together a great graduation ceremony. Their efforts have focused on making graduation a special occasion for students, staff and community. The administration would like to thank the advisory committee for their forward thinking and diligence in designing a graduation that reflects the awesome accomplishments of the Class of 2021.

# GRADUATION DAY INFORMATION

## CLASS OF 2021 COMMENCEMENT

Glacier High School's thirteenth senior class will be graduating on **Saturday, June 5, 2021 at 10:00am** in the Glacier High School gym. There will be approximately 280 graduates participating in the ceremony.

## GRADUATION CEREMONY 2021 WEBCAST FREE LIVE FEED

Please go to the [GHS Website](#) for a link to the live feed.

## GRADUATION CEREMONY TIMELINE

All seniors must arrive at Glacier High School no later than 9:00am on **Saturday, June 5**. Processional lines will form at 9:30am with the ceremony starting promptly at 10:00am. We anticipate the ceremony will take approximately 2 hours.

## BACCALAUREATE

There will be a nondenominational church service for the graduates and their families on **Saturday, June 5**. The service starts at 8:00am in the Glacier High School Performance Hall. There are no assigned seats and students do not wear their cap and gown. The service is not hosted by the school and is included in this bulletin as a courtesy to the community.

## SENIOR CLASS MOTTO

*"You get to decide the legacy you leave behind." -Unknown*

## GRADUATION PHOTOGRAPHS

**Crown Photography** will be taking photographs of seniors as they graduate. Two 4 x 6 pictures with two presentation folders are available for \$14.00 plus a \$3.00 mailing fee. Two extra 4 x 6 pictures will be available for an additional \$7.00. The pictures will be posted online June 20 for ordering. Go to [www.mtcrownphoto.com](http://www.mtcrownphoto.com), click on the "Links" category tab, click on "Online Galleries" choose GHS Graduation 2021, click on "Open Gallery". Please call Crown Photography, 406-752-6116, if you have any questions.

## DRESS EXPECTATIONS

All graduating seniors participating in the diploma ceremony must wear the GHS cap and gown. No tape, feathers, flowers, plastic animals, glitter, leis, bouquets or other adornments are allowed on the caps or gowns. The only acceptable achievement cords, stoles and medallions will be the ones issued by GHS. Graduates must wear appropriate clothes under their gowns and shoes are required. Native Americans wishing to represent their cultural heritage may adorn culturally significant tribal regalia to their cap. Please see [Student and Parent Handbook](#) page 25 for details.

As part of the graduation dress code, each graduate will also receive a mask (along with their Stoles of Gratitude and Commencement Medal) during the pre-ceremony lineup to wear during the graduation ceremony.

## TOUCH OF CLASS

After years of community input concerning graduation, the message to the administration has been clear and consistent. The vast majority want a ceremony that mirrors the incredible achievements and hard work of our students. Let's come together and show our "touch of class" by displaying dignified, appropriate behavior at the ceremony. Only behaviors that reflect positively on the accomplishments of our students will be tolerated. Students who display inappropriate behavior or extremes of any nature will forfeit the opportunity to participate in the ceremony and will pick up their diplomas from the principal on Monday, June 7. Please review the section on graduation conduct on page 25 of the [Student and Parent Handbook](#) for additional information.

## GYM SEATING

We are anticipating 280 graduates at the ceremony in the GHS gym. Graduates will be issued **4 tickets for the gym and 2 tickets for the performance hall where a live feed will be aired**. Tickets may be picked up at the GHS Main Office with senior packets starting **Tuesday, May 18, 2021**. Students will not be issued additional tickets if the originals are lost or misplaced. The diploma ceremony will be streamed live and the link will be posted on the GHS website. Designated areas for wheelchairs and senior citizens will be available.

# GRADUATION DAY INFORMATION

## VEHICLE PARKING

Please park in the designated parking lots. There are 874 parking spots on the campus so carpooling is encouraged. Roadways will be kept clear of illegally parked cars so that we have a wide path for emergency vehicles if needed.

## EXITING THE CAMPUS

We have three exits out of the campus. Please be patient and drive safely when everyone is trying to leave after the ceremony. Designated traffic directors have been hired to help with the flow, but it still may take time to exit.

## GOWN RECYCLING

Please consider recycling the blue graduation gown. There will be a box located by the Main Office for seniors to deposit their gowns. Recycling the gown is a great way to help future graduates who may not be able to afford the attire.

## CAMERAS, BALLOONS AND AIR HORNS

Don't forget your camera! We will have graduation decorations located in the commons area for special pictures of the graduates. Please do not bring balloons inside the facility. They block the view of our patrons and may cause our fire alarms to go off if they are released to our ceiling. We respectfully request that you leave the use of air horns for the outside post ceremony. Air horns are especially annoying to our patrons using hearing aides and block graduates names when read.

## EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

Please alert an administrator or door usher immediately if medical services are needed during the graduation ceremony. An automated external defibrillator is located in room G135 which is to the right of the vending machines and main level gym doors.

# SENIOR ASSESSMENT SCHEDULE

| TUESDAY, JUNE 1, 2021 |               |                                       |  | WEDNESDAY, JUNE 2, 2021 |               |            |
|-----------------------|---------------|---------------------------------------|--|-------------------------|---------------|------------|
| Period 1              | 8:15 - 9:05   | Assessment                            |  | Period 1                | 8:15 - 9:05   | No class   |
| Period 2              | 9:10 - 10:05  | Assessment                            |  | Period 2                | 9:10 - 10:05  | No class   |
| Period 3              | 10:10 - 11:00 | Assessment                            |  | Period 3                | 10:10 - 11:00 | No class   |
| Period 4              | 11:05 - 11:55 | Assessment                            |  | Period 4                | 11:05 - 11:55 | No class   |
| Early Lunch           | 11:55 - 12:35 |                                       |  | Early Lunch             | 11:55 - 12:35 |            |
| Period 5              | 12:35 - 1:25  | Regular class:<br>ATTENDANCE REQUIRED |  | Period 5                | 12:35 - 1:25  | Assessment |
| Period 5              | 12:00 - 12:50 | Regular class:<br>ATTENDANCE REQUIRED |  | Period 5                | 12:00 - 12:50 | Assessment |
| Late Lunch            | 12:50 - 1:30  |                                       |  | Late Lunch              | 12:50 - 1:30  |            |
| Period 6              | 1:30 - 2:20   | Regular class:<br>ATTENDANCE REQUIRED |  | Period 6                | 1:30 - 2:20   | Assessment |
| Period 7              | 2:25 - 3:15   | Regular class:<br>ATTENDANCE REQUIRED |  | Period 7                | 2:25 - 3:15   | Assessment |

| THURSDAY, JUNE 3, 2021 |            |   |                            |
|------------------------|------------|---|----------------------------|
| Periods 1-4            | 8:15-11:55 | No class  |                            |
| Period 5               | 12:00-1:15 | Graduation Information Meeting/Senior Class Meeting | Seniors required to attend |
| Period 6 & 7           | 1:30-3:30  | No Class  |                            |

## GRADUATION INFORMATION MEETING/SENIOR CLASS MEETING

The graduation ceremony information meeting is scheduled for **Thursday, June 3**, at 12:00 in the Performance Hall starting at noon. Seniors will be given graduation instructions at this time. **All graduating seniors are required to attend.** We anticipate the meeting lasting until 1:15pm.

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# ACADEMIC HONORS & DISTINCTION CHARTS

## DISTINCTION CORD APPLICATION DEADLINE

In order to wear an honor cord at graduation you must fill out an application form for your distinction. (Academic Honor Cords do not require a application.) All forms must be returned to the department teacher and have a transcript attached to the form. Please see Carrie Williams in the Counseling Center for a printed transcript. The deadline for all distinction applications is **Friday, May 7**.

## ACADEMIC HONORS AND DISTINCTION CORD DISTRIBUTION

The Counseling Department will distribute the cords starting on **Wednesday, May 19** during early and late lunch.

## GRADUATING SUMMA CUM LAUDE (4.00 GPA Cumulative)

A special designation is reserved for 4.00 cumulative GPA's in the senior class. Students earning this honor will wear the green cord at graduation. In order to be considered for this honor, students must maintain a 4.00 cumulative grade point average through midterm of quarter 4.

## GRADUATING MAXIMA CUM LAUDE

Early graduates and junior graduates that meet the 4.00 GPA requirement will receive a teal cord.

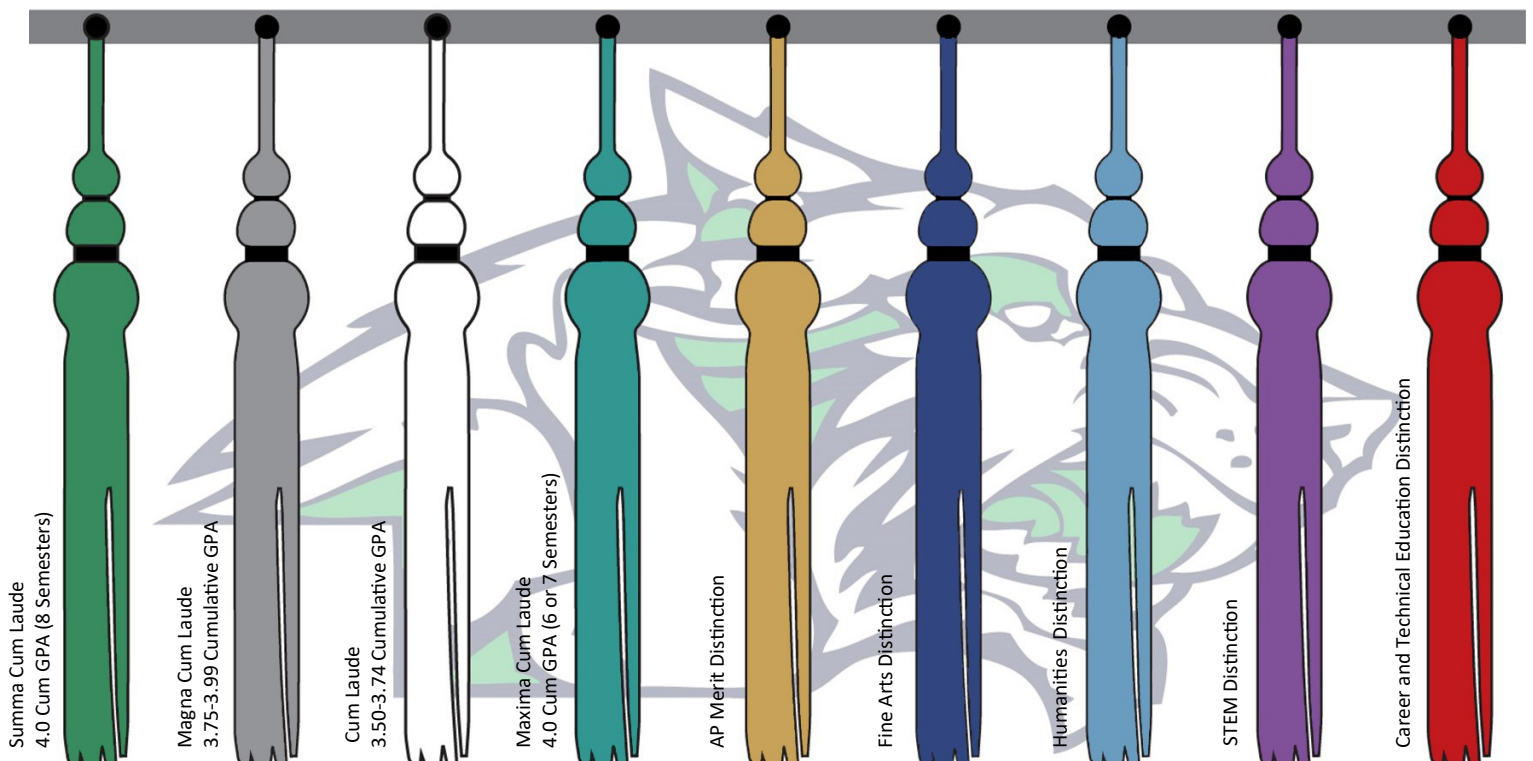
## GRADUATING MAGNA CUM LAUDE AND CUM LAUDE

Students who have an accumulative GPA of between 3.75 and 3.99 are eligible to wear a silver distinction cord at graduation. Students who have an accumulative GPA of between 3.50 and 3.74 are eligible to wear a white honor cord at graduation.

## GRADUATING WITH MERIT AND DISTINCION

Seniors can receive recognition beyond the diploma by completing requirements in additional subject categories. In addition to the 22 credits needed to graduate, each distinction will require an additional four credits for a total of 26 credits. It is permissible for a student to earn multiple distinctions. Additional information is in the [Student and Parent Handbook](#) on pages 27-29.

# GHS DISTINCTION CORDS



# ACADEMIC HONORS & DISTINCTION CHARTS

## ACADEMIC HONOR REQUIREMENTS

| NAME OF RECOGNITION | CORD WORN AT CEREMONY | BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF ACCOMPLISHMENT |
|---------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Summa Cum Laude     | Green                 | 4.00 cum GPA                        |
| Maxima Cum Laude    | Teal                  | 4.00 cum GPA Early and Junior Grads |
| Magna Cum Laude     | Silver                | 3.75 - 3.99 cum GPA                 |
| Cum Laude           | White                 | 3.50 - 3.74 cum GPA                 |

## DISTINCTION CREDIT REQUIREMENTS

| DISTINCTION                | AP Merit Distinction<br><i>Gold Cord</i> | Fine Arts Distinction<br><i>Royal Blue Cord</i> | Humanities Distinction<br><i>Light Blue Cord</i> |                        | STEM Distinction<br><i>Purple Cord</i> |                     |              | Career and Technical Education Distinction<br><i>Red Cord</i> |                  |
|----------------------------|--|---|--|------------------------|--|---------------------|--------------|---|------------------|
| PATHWAY                    | AP Merit Pathway                         | Music, Theatre, Visual Art Pathway              | International Language Pathway                   | Social Science Pathway | Science Pathway                        | Engineering Pathway | Math Pathway | Agriculture Pathway   | Business Pathway |
| ENGLISH                    | 4.0                                      | 4.0   | 4.0  | 4.0                    | 4.0                                    | 4.0                 | 4.0          | 4.0   | 4.0              |
| MATH                       | 3.0                                      | 3.0   | 3.0  | 3.0                    | 4.0*                                   | 4.0*                | 5.0*         | 3.0   | 3.0              |
| SOCIAL SCIENCE             | 2.5                                      | 2.5   | 3.0*   | 4.0*                   | 2.5                                    | 2.5                 | 2.5          | 2.5   | 2.5              |
| SCIENCE                    | 3.0                                      | 2.0   | 2.0  | 2.0                    | 5.0*                                   | 3.0*                | 3.0*         | 3.0   | 2.0              |
| INTERNATIONAL LANGUAGE     | 2.0*                                     | --  | 4.0*   | 2.0*                   | --                                     | --                  | --           | --  | --               |
| FINE ARTS                  | 1.0                                      | 4.0*  | 1.0  | 1.0                    | 1.0                                    | 1.0                 | 1.0          | 1.0   | 1.0              |
| HEALTH ENHANCEMENT         | 1.5                                      | 1.5   | 1.5  | 1.5                    | 1.5                                    | 1.5                 | 1.5          | 1.5   | 1.5              |
| VOCATIONAL                 | 1.0                                      | 1.0   | 1.0  | 1.0                    | --                                     | --                  | --           | --  | --               |
| ENGINEERING                | --                                       | --  | --   | --                     | 1.0*                                   | 4.0*                | 1.0*         | --  | --               |
| AGRICULTURE                | --                                       | --  | --   | --                     | --                                     | --                  | --           | 4.0*  | --               |
| BUSINESS                   | --                                       | --  | --   | --                     | --                                     | --                  | --           | --  | 3.0*             |
| COLLEGE & CAREER READINESS | 1.0                                      | 1.0   | 1.0  | 1.0                    | 1.0                                    | 1.0                 | 1.0          | 1.0   | 1.0              |
| GENERAL ELECTIVES          | 7.0                                      | 7.0   | 5.5  | 6.5                    | 6.0                                    | 5.0                 | 7.0          | 6.0   | 8.0              |
| TOTAL                      | 26.0                                     | 26.0  | 26.0   | 26.0                   | 26.0                                   | 26.0                | 26.0         | 26.0  | 26.0             |

\* Note: Credit requirements with an asterisk and in bold are a requirement above and beyond regular GHS graduation requirements.