

A grayscale photograph of Taylor High School. The school building is a long, multi-story structure with many windows, situated on a grassy field. In the background, there are trees and a hill. The sky is filled with large, fluffy clouds. The text 'TAYLOR HIGH SCHOOL' is centered in the upper portion of the image, above a horizontal line.

TAYLOR HIGH SCHOOL

# GRADUATION GUIDE

Class of 2021

# WHAT'S INCLUDED

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## **THIS GUIDE INCLUDES**

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## **DEAR PARENTS,**

**After a very unique and challenging school year, we are pleased to announce that we will be able to hold an in-person graduation ceremony at the Cintas Center on Wednesday, May 26, 2021. Graduation is an exciting time for both you and your high school senior. On behalf of Taylor High School teachers, staff, and the Three Rivers Board of Education, congratulations to all seniors on achieving this important milestone. Thank you to senior parents for the guidance you have provided your child, and for your support of Taylor High School.**

**We hope that this booklet serves as a helpful guide for you and your senior during their final days in high school. We also look forward to watching all of our students embark on the next chapter in their lives in college, the military, or the workforce. Please remind your child that prior to our ceremony, all graduation requirements must be met. Also, we will look for them to end their high school experience with high standards of character, and to model leadership for our younger Taylor students.**

**The last day of school for our seniors will be Friday, May 21 which will include our traditional "Senior Breakfast." All seniors are required to attend our graduation practice on Wednesday, May 26, 2021, to be eligible to walk for graduation later that evening.**

**We would like to again congratulate you and your child on the important accomplishment of graduating from Taylor High School. Please contact the high school office if you have any questions or need assistance in the days leading up to our 2021 Taylor High School Graduation.**

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**MARK SMILEY  
THS PRINCIPAL**

# IMPORTANT DATES

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FRIDAY, APRIL 16 | 7:30 - 8:15 AM  
HS CAFETERIA

SATURDAY, APRIL 17 | 7:00 PM  
THREE RIVERS ELEMENTARY CAFETORIUM

TUESDAY, APRIL 27 | 6:30 PM  
THREE RIVERS PERFORMING ARTS CENTER

THURSDAY, APRIL 29 | 10:15 AM  
THREE RIVERS PERFORMING ARTS CENTER  
*\*TO BE LIVESTREAMED*

WEDNESDAY, MAY 19 | 3:15 PM  
WHITEWATER CROSSING

WEDNESDAY, MAY 19 | 7:00 PM  
WHITEWATER CROSSING

FRIDAY, MAY 21 | 8:15 AM  
TAYLOR HIGH SCHOOL CAFETERIA

WEDNESDAY, MAY 26 | 9:30 AM  
BUSES LEAVE FROM TAYLOR HIGH SCHOOL

WEDNESDAY, MAY 26 | 7:00 PM  
CINTAS CENTER

CAP & GOWN DISTRIBUTION

PTO SENIOR NIGHT

SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS NIGHT

SENIOR AWARDS  
*\*NON-SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS*

BACCALAUREATE REHEARSAL

BACCALAUREATE

SENIOR LAST DAY & BREAKFAST

COMMENCEMENT PRACTICE

COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY





# COMMENCEMENT REQUIREMENTS

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To participate in commencement exercises, each student must have met all graduation requirements.



*Students must meet both testing requirements and curriculum requirements in order to earn a diploma. Taylor High School students shall meet the minimum graduation requirements shown below, except in cases where an Individualized Education Program (I.E.P.) specifies or allows otherwise.*

## GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

COURSES	CREDITS NEEDED TO GRADUATE
English	4
Health	1/2
Mathematics	4
Physical Education	1/2
Science	3
Social Studies	3
Electives	5
Fine Arts	1
Economics & Financial Literacy	
TOTAL	21

# SENIOR EVENTS

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## PTO SENIOR NIGHT



Senior Night is a fun evening for students hosted by the PTO. The seniors are treated to dinner, served by their teachers, administrators, and staff. This is a special evening full of HS memories. Senior Superlatives and the Senior Video are also presented during this special evening. **\*\*Please note: a reservation is required to attend this event. Please contact Julie Strasser at [julstrasser7@gmail.com](mailto:julstrasser7@gmail.com).**

## SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS NIGHT



Senior scholarships and achievements will be recognized during this program. Parents of students being recognized will receive an invitation in the mail to this event.

## SENIOR AWARDS



Seniors will be recognized for their various outstanding accomplishments during their high school careers. This program is for students only. It will be live-streamed through Facebook, via our website, for family members and friends to view.

## BACCALAUREATE



Seniors, families, and friends are invited to Baccalaureate at Whitewater Crossing located at 5771 OH-128, Cleves. This is an entertaining, emotional, and rewarding program for seniors and their parents as they reflect on friends, family, and the future. Appropriate dress is Sunday Best. Students who are presenting at Baccalaureate will need to attend a rehearsal at 3:15 PM, at the same location.

## SENIOR BREAKFAST



Senior breakfast is the last day for seniors and an opportunity for the class to be together for their final hours at Taylor. The breakfast will take place in the High School Cafeteria. Seniors will be dismissed for the day after a brief meeting following breakfast at approximately 10:00 AM.

## COMMENCEMENT PRACTICE



All seniors participating in commencement must attend the rehearsal on May 26th. Students must arrive at Taylor High School no later than 9:15 AM to be bussed to the Cintas Center. Buses will leave campus promptly at 9:30 am. **\*\*Please note: students who do not attend Commencement Practice will not be permitted to participate in the ceremony.**

## COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY



Seniors, and guests are invited to attend the Commencement Ceremony of the Taylor High School Class of 2021 to celebrate our students' success. The ceremony will include student speeches, a graduation address from our Superintendent, and the presentation of diplomas.

**\*\*We are currently working with Cintas in regards to how many guests are able to attend. Additional information will be emailed home to parents towards the beginning of May.**

# COMMENCEMENT INFORMATION

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- The Taylor High School commencement ceremony will be conducted with dignity and respect. Graduates, parents, and guests are reminded that Commencement is a formal ceremony.
- The Cintas Center will open at 6:00 PM. Those arriving earlier than 6:00 PM will have to wait outside of the Entrance. Seats will be reserved by tickets (additional information forthcoming). [Students are required to be in their holding room in the Cintas Center by 6:30 PM.](#) Guests attending the ceremony must be seated by 6:55 PM. Anyone arriving after 6:55 PM may be required to wait until an escort is able to guide them to an open seat as to not disturb the program.
- The Cintas Center is handicap accessible. Seating arrangements will be available for handicapped guests in wheelchairs and one accompanying person. Ushers will be available to assist you.



# MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION

## CAPS AND GOWNS

### PICK UP

Caps and gowns and other senior items ordered from Graduate Services will be distributed on April 16th at Taylor High School from 7:00-7:45 AM. These items will also be distributed to students at both Diamond & Scarlet Oaks on May 4. Please contact Graduate Services (272-5890) for delivery information

### RETURNS

Orders for materials not paid in full on the delivery dates are returned to Graduate Services. Please contact Graduate Services (272-5890) to pay this obligation and arrange for a delivery or pick up.

### HONOR CORDS & MEDALLIONS

Only honor cords and medallions presented at Commencement or by Taylor High School may be worn on or around the graduation attire. The cap and gown are not to be changed in any manner.

### HAVEN'T ORDERED?

Any senior who has not ordered a cap and gown should do so immediately. You must have an appropriate cap, gown, and tassel to participate in Commencement. Please click [HERE](#) for ordering information.

# MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION

## PLEASE READ CAREFULLY

### STORAGE

It is recommended that graduates not bring purses or any other valuable items to the holding rooms—those rooms will not be locked or supervised during the ceremony.

### BEHAVIOR @ SCHOOL

Any senior who disrupts or contributes to the disruption of school during the final days of the school year will be subject to disciplinary action including, but not limited to, being denied participation in commencement

### BEHAVIOR DURING CEREMONY

Any student, senior or underclassman, who disrupts the commencement ceremony will still be subject to disciplinary action including, but not limited to, withholding the student's diploma until prescribed consequences are satisfied

### NOT PARTICIPATING?

Any graduate choosing not to participate in commencement should notify Mrs. Rueve by May 14th. Diplomas for students not attending the ceremony may be picked up at the High School Main Office beginning Monday, June 7, provided their fees are paid in full. Please check [EZPay](#) to see if fees are paid.

QUESTIONS?

PLEASE EMAIL

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