2019 ORHS GRADUATION CEREMONY INFORMATION

Tuesday, May 28th—7:30 pm (to about 10:00 pm)
Cynthia Woods Mitchell Pavilion – The Woodlands, TX

Seniors: must report to the Cynthia Woods Mitchell Pavilion no later than 6:40 pm. All students who wish to participate in the graduation ceremony on Tuesday, May 28, must have a cap and gown. To place an order, contact Herff Jones at 281-367-4723 or visit their website at www.mygradaccount.com

Graduation Assembly – Mandatory for all graduating seniors
- Friday, May 24th at 8:45 a.m. in the old gym (No food or drink is allowed in the gym.)
- Caps and gowns will be distributed following meeting – only if all records/fines/fees have been cleared/paid!
- Senior Picnic follows the Graduation Assembly. See website for details.

Graduation Rehearsal – Mandatory for all graduating seniors
- Tuesday, May 28th at 8:45 a.m. in the old gym
- All students will ride bus to and from practice at the Pavilion.
- Tickets to Pavilions seats (4 per graduate) will be distributed upon return from practice - only if all records/fines/fees have been cleared/paid!

Tickets: Each graduate will be given 4 reserved seats under the covered area for guests. After tickets are distributed, there will be just under 2000 additional reserved and covered seats for which tickets have not be distributed to students. Those will be available as general admission seating without a ticket on a first available basis when the gates open for graduation (6:30 pm). In addition, lawn seats do not require a ticket. Between distributed tickets, available unticketed seats, and lawn seats, we should be able to accommodate all guests who wish to attend. Distributed tickets are for seats that are numbered and assigned. Students are welcome to network to obtain tickets that will go unused by another graduate. Such arrangements are private arrangements and the school is not part of that process. Families who arrange to obtain extra tickets from other graduates will not have all tickets together. Tickets will be distributed on May 28th after students return from graduation practice at the Pavilion (mandatory) and will be given only to the student to whom they are issued.

Dress Code: Graduation is a formal ceremony and appropriate attire is required. Blue jeans, tennis shoes & flip flops are not permitted.
- Boys - white dress shirt, tie, slacks, & dress shoes
- Girls – dress or skirt/slacks & blouse, dress shoes
  - For most girls only shoes will be visible beneath Graduation gown.
  - Girls who wear slacks must wear dress slacks with dress shoes.
- Only ORHS/CISD issued regalia may be worn with graduation gowns. This includes honor graduate stoles, cords, NHS collars, medallions, etc. Students may not wear other recognition items such as those from religious organizations or scouts. No leis or other cultural recognitions. All students must wear the same red/white/blue tassel that is packed with the graduation gowns.
- Hats must be completely unadorned! No tape, writing or other decorations on the hat are permitted.
- Students’ personal items (cell phones, purses, cameras, etc) must be left with family members for safekeeping. No items can be taken to the graduation seating area.
**Handicapped Seating**

The Pavilion also provides seating for handicapped guests. Guests needing seating in that area should inform the Pavilion attendants upon arrival.

**Handicapped Parking**

Pavilion staff will direct those with visible handicapped stickers, license plates, or hang tags to the handicapped parking area. Guests may also be dropped off at the North Entrance on Lake Robbins Drive.

**Security at the pavilion**

- All bags will be checked and cannot be larger than an 8 ½ X 11 piece of paper. Purses, diaper bags, camera cases, backpacks, etc. Check Pavilion website for updated security measures.
- The pavilion will NOT keep confiscated items for you until after the event. You must return them to your car.

**Photography / Video**

- The graduation ceremony will be streamed live on the web. The link will be on the CISD website.
- An individual photograph will be taken of each graduate as he/she receives his/her diploma. “Flash Photography”, the contracted photographer, will email proofs to the address provided by each graduate. Address cards will be distributed and collected during English classes.