

## Class of 2021 End-of-Year Activities

### Raymond S. Kellis High School

As we near the end of the 2020-21 school year, there are several activities and dates seniors and their parents/guardians need to remember. Please put these dates on your calendar.

### CALENDAR OF SENIOR EVENTS

**On-going: Senior Alerts! Check with your teachers weekly regarding your academic progress.**

Ongoing	All debts (Bookstore and Library) must be paid by Friday, April 30	Bookstore
TBD	<b>Senior Panoramic</b> We are working with Grads Photography to provide a collage of senior portraits that will be made available for purchase.	
April 13	Graduation Announcements Pick-Up (If not picked up, Announcements will be in Bookstore on/after April 14 <sup>th</sup> )	Outside Cafeteria (during both lunches)
April 14	Senior Seminar #1 Teams Meeting will be held at 5:30 PM <a href="#">Click here to join the meeting</a> Parents welcome to attend “Finish the Race You Started”	Virtual—It will be recorded and available 7:30 p.m. – 10:30 p.m.
May 3	<b>Senior Check-Out (Mandatory)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Senior Check-Out forms may be picked up in the RSK Guidance Office beginning May 3; due back to the RSK Guidance Office by May 7</li> <li>➤ Students who do not complete Senior Check-Out will not participate in commencement ceremonies.</li> <li>➤ All fees must be paid PRIOR to check-out Clean out lockers PRIOR to check-out</li> </ul>	Your Guidance Counselor
May 10	Senior Awards Ceremony—Recognition of all seniors who have received a scholarship or department award. Students should dress appropriately for being recognized. 2 guests. <b>Masks required by students and parents.</b>	Auditorium/Cafeteria 6:00 pm – 7:30 pm
May 10	Cap and Gown Delivery <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Distributed only to students who have paid off all debts</li> <li>• After May 10<sup>th</sup>, Cap and Gowns may be picked up in Bookstore</li> <li>• If not purchased, Call Jostens at 1-800-567-8367</li> </ul>	Outside Cafeteria (during both lunches)
May 10	Senior Final Exams: <b>Periods 3/4 and 5</b> Computer return in the library	<b>Regular School Day</b>
May 11	Senior Final Exams: <b>Periods 1 and 2</b> Computer return in the library	<b>Regular School Day</b>
<b>May 12</b>	<b>Graduation Practice (Mandatory)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Any student who is tardy or absent will NOT participate in graduation.</li> </ul> <b>Masks Required. School Dress Code Enforced</b>	<b>RSK Football Field</b> <b>7:30 a.m.</b> <b>12:20 pm Release Time</b>
May 13	Grades Close	
May 17	<b><u>Class of 2021 Graduation</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Doors will open to public at 2:00 p.m.</li> <li>➤ Graduates report to stadium at 2:00 p.m.</li> <li>➤ Appropriate dress: Ladies are to wear a dress, skirt &amp; blouse or dress pants &amp; blouse w/ appropriate shoes; gentlemen are to wear dress slacks, shined shoes with socks, and a collared shirt. Absolutely NO flip flops, tennis shoes or sandals. <b>MASKS REQUIRED</b></li> <li>➤ Students: No cell phones, cameras, or noise makers or any electronic devices are permitted. Any such item will be confiscated and available for pick up on Tuesday, May 18th @ RSK High School after 10 AM</li> <li>➤ Parents: No balloons, air horns or other noisemakers will be permitted in the State Farm Stadium. Please help maintain the reverence of the ceremony by turning all cell phones off or to silent/vibrate mode.</li> </ul>	State Farm Stadium (Formerly Univ. of Phoenix Stadium) <b>3:00 p.m.</b>

## CLASS OF 2021 COMMENCEMENT

It is a district honor to be a member of the 2021 graduating class of Raymond S. Kellis High School. With this distinction also comes great responsibility in making the commencement a success. A successful commencement is well-planned, practiced, and devoted to reverence. Please review the guidelines and expectations below with your family members to insure a memorable and joyous class of 2021 graduation ceremony.

### GUIDELINES AND EXPECTATIONS:

1. Participation in the graduation ceremony is not mandatory; however, if you are not participating, please notify Mrs. Goble in the principal's office as soon as possible.
2. Graduation practice will begin at 7:30 AM on Wednesday, May 12th at the **RSK Football Stadium**.
3. **All seniors planning to participate in the graduation ceremony must attend practice.**
4. Commencement will begin at 3:00 PM on Monday, May 17th at the State Farm Stadium. Students are to report to the stadium no later than 2:00 PM.
5. **Students still owing fees will not be allowed to participate in the graduation ceremony.**
6. Ladies are to wear a dress, skirt and blouse or dress pants and blouse with appropriate shoes. Absolutely NO flip flops or tennis shoes. Please keep hairstyles simple so that the graduation cap will fit properly. Gentlemen are to wear dress slacks, shined shoes with socks, and a collared shirt. Absolutely NO flip flops or tennis shoes. Students should not alter their graduation attire (cap, gown, stoles/lanyards, etc.). **MASKS REQUIRED**. Administration reserves the right to refuse participation to students who alter their apparel in ways that conflict with the spirit of the ceremony.
7. Students arriving for graduation in casual attire (jeans, T-shirts, sandals, flip flops, or tennis shoes) **will not** be permitted to check-in or participate.
8. All students will have assigned seating for graduation. **Graduates will each receive 6 tickets for guests. All tickets will be assigned seating in groups of 2.**
9. It is very important that each of you remember the seriousness of the occasion. Graduation is a CEREMONY. Graduating seniors are expected to conduct themselves in a mature manner. Disruptive behavior (any behavior which distracts from the ceremony) will not be tolerated. Stadium security will remove violators from the ceremony and stadium.
10. No one from the audience will be allowed in the graduate seating section at any time. A professional photographer will be on site to take photos, which will be available for purchase. You will be contacted by mail for orders. You are under no obligation to buy anything.
11. During the ceremony, you will be presented your diploma cover. Actual diplomas will be distributed at RSK on Wednesday, May 18<sup>th</sup> and Thursday, May 19<sup>th</sup> after 11 am.
12. The Peoria Unified School District **DOES NOT** sponsor or support senior ditch day. Any student participating in this type of activity will be considered truant and subject to disciplinary measures. Remember, continued good attendance is important.
13. The Peoria Unified School District **DOES NOT** tolerate negative and irresponsible behavior which disrupts the educational process and/or defaces the campus. Any student participating in this type of activity will be subject to disciplinary measures which may result in losing the privilege of participating in commencement.