



Northview High School

Excellence in Academics, Art and Athletics

Martin Neuhaus, Principal

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Dear Parents of 2023 Graduates,

As a returning member of this school community (I started my principalships at Shakerag Elementary School), I continue to be amazed at the accomplishments of our graduates. I recently met with the top forty students in this graduating class and was duly impressed; they are quite remarkable both as individuals and as a class.

In this letter you will find a lot of information regarding your student's next few months as they wind down their years of public education and head towards graduation. This is the second correspondence I've sent out about graduation, and we have added many details. Please read through to the end.

Graduation Ceremony

- WHEN:** May 24, 2:00pm
Graduates must transport themselves to the event and arrive by 12:30pm
Doors to the Amphitheatre for parent and guest seating will open at 1:15pm, seated by 1:50pm
- WHERE:** Ameris Bank Amphitheatre, Alpharetta, GA
- PRACTICE:** Tuesday, May 16, 3:00pm at Ameris Bank Amphitheatre.
Practice is mandatory. You will not be able to participate in the ceremony if you miss practice.
All seniors will be excused from class to attend graduation practice.
- TICKETS:** Graduates will be allotted ten FREE tickets.

GRADUATION PACKET/GRADUATION PROGRAM

At practice, each student will receive a packet which includes:

- Two (2) commemorative, full-length graduation programs. At the gate, guests will receive a shortened program with a QR code that will enable access to the electronic full-length program.
- Honor cords, if awarded by Northview Honor Societies
- Silver Envelope with letters of congratulations from family and friends
- Ten Tickets to distribute to family and friends. All guests must have a ticket to enter the ceremony.

ATTIRE FOR GRADUATION CEREMONY

- For Girls:** Dress or pant suit, with dress shoes or sandals
NO jeans, shorts, flip flops, athletic shoes, or stiletto heels
- For Boys:** Dress shirt with tie, dress slacks, dark dress shoes with dark socks
NO jeans, shorts, sleeveless shirts, flip flops, sandals, or athletic shoes

When crossing the stage graduates are to have their gowns fully zipped and mortarboard (cap) on.

CLEAR BAG POLICY *New!*

Ameris Bank has implemented a clear bag policy to reduce staff contact with guest belongs. They will allow only clear bags into the stadium that are no larger than 12" x 6" x 12." No other bags will be allowed.

Lawn Seating will be closed for all graduation ceremonies.

Graduation Parking

Parking Lot	Address	Designated for:
Lot A	1775 Founders Parkway	Parent/Guest Parking: Enter via WEST Gate
Lot B	1100 Sanctuary Parkway	Parent/Guest Parking: Enter via WEST Gate
Lot C	11450 Maxwell Road	Graduate Parking: Enter via EAST Gate
Premier	Enter through Lot C	
Rideshare	2200 Encore Parkway	Uber, Lyft, Drop-offs

Handicapped Parking: Drop off guests needing assistance at the EAST Gate. You may park in Lot C if you have a state-issued handicap parking permit.

Information from Herff Jones/3rd Ascent

Customer Service: 770-921-9022 Email: <https://www.herffjones.com/schools/highschool/>

GRADUATION ANNOUNCEMENTS

Now is the time to place your order for Class of 2023 graduation announcements. Herff Jones is ready to support you and your family as you celebrate this milestone achievement. Graduation announcements and other graduation accessories (but not the cap & gown) will be shipped to your home. Order now to receive them with ample time to send to family and friends. Order these products online.

Click [HERE](#) to order your Class of 2023 graduation announcements now!

SENIOR DUES

Senior Dues are currently **\$165.00**, payable online at www.highschool.herffjones.com > *Shop Grad Products*. Senior Dues cover all costs associated with the graduation ceremony including the venue, cap and gown, tassel, diploma, diploma cover, resource officers and EMT staff at the ceremony. Herff Jones/3rd Ascent offers several packages of graduation products that are wrapped around Senior Dues. The package listed for \$165.00 is mandatory for seniors who plan to participate in the graduation ceremony. Cap & gowns will be distributed at school in the spring.

Easy Access:

1. Scan the QR Code
2. Choose your School
3. Choose your package (Senior Class Payments)
(Graduate's height & weight are needed for gown sizing)



Important Reminders from the Counseling Department

MID-YEAR REPORTS

Mid-Year Transcript are ready, and requests are currently being processed. Please note, **Mid-Year Reports will not be automatically sent to colleges/universities** and are only sent if requested by the student. This report will include your updated transcript with 1st semester grades and an explanation of any course changes, if applicable. Students can request their mid-year report in Naviance by going to the "Colleges I'm Applying to" tab, check the box next to the colleges needed, and click on "+ Request Transcripts" button, select "Mid-Year", and finally "Request and Finish".

FAFSA

We encourage all students and families to complete the FAFSA by your college's financial aid deadline. For additional information, please visit <https://studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa>.

SENIOR EXIT SURVEY, PROOF OF ACCEPTANCE, & PROOF OF SCHOLARSHIPS

Every year, the State of Georgia requires that graduating seniors complete a Senior Exit Survey. This task will be assigned to all graduating students after spring break. Once available, please log into Naviance and under "Important To-Dos and Tasks" you will need to complete the Senior Exit Survey, and if applicable, Proof of Scholarships Received and Proof of College Acceptance.

FINAL TRANSCRIPT

If you will be attending college after high school, you must request your final transcript once available. You may only request **one final transcript**, as your final transcript is the one that gets sent in June after your senior year grades are finalized. Colleges require a final transcript as part of attendance at their school. Additional information on how to request this transcript will be available after spring break.

Official Photographer

Our official school photographer, Cady Studios, will be taking pictures at graduation. Proofs of your graduate will be uploaded to his/her senior profile within a week of the graduation ceremony. You will receive an email when the photos have been uploaded.

Graduation Fundraiser

The Graduation Committee plans to auction off the first-row seats to the highest bidder. These seats will be in addition to the number of free tickets you are allotted. Specifics regarding the fundraiser will be announced when we return from Spring Break. This fundraiser is designed to cover extra costs incurred to host graduation at the Ameris Bank Amphitheatre.

FCS Laptop/Device Collection: *More information will follow.*

Senior Check-Out Form

Prior to your graduate's last day of school, they will need to complete a Senior Check-Out Form which will ensure they have returned all devices, textbooks, sports uniforms, music performance uniforms, music instruments, library books and have paid any outstanding fees. The completion of this form is mandatory to participate in the graduation ceremony.

Graduation Walks: *More information will follow.*

Our feeder elementary schools invite our graduates to a Graduation Walk so they can revisit the place their formal education started. It is a wonderfully fun event for all! Dates for these events will follow as each school finalizes them.

Northview Senior Class Field Trips

The Senior Field trips are happening! We had a great trip to the Georgia Aquarium in February and anticipate an equally great trip to the Atlanta Zoo on March 15th. The Zoo consent form and trip fee were due on February 24th. If your student missed this deadline, they need to speak with Assistant Principal Mr. Hunter immediately. The third field trip is scheduled for April 19th to Stone Mountain Park.

Junior Senior Prom

This year's prom is scheduled for Saturday, May 6, 7:30pm at the Buckhead Theater. Information regarding ticket sales will be announced in April.

Northview Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) Services & Events

GRADUATION YARD SIGNS

Our PTO ran a design contest, and the winner was Sara Garg! Numerous entries were received - it was a tough decision. Yard signs will go on sale soon with the pickup date already established for the afternoon of April 19th when the senior class returns from their field trip to Stone Mountain.



BACCALAUREATE

Baccalaureate is a non-denominational, faith-based service of worship that celebrates graduating seniors. It is a parent-sponsored, pre-graduation event that will be held at Johns Creek Presbyterian Church. If interested, please keep Sunday, April 23RD at 3:00pm open for this event. An invitation to all graduating seniors will be distributed in April. For more information, or to help with this event contact Kristen Feldstein at KRF1212@gmail.com.

SENIOR SILVER ENVELOPES

It is a Northview tradition for the PTO to sponsor the request and collection of congratulatory notes for seniors then package them up in "Senior Silver Envelopes." To make this program successful, parents need to ask family, friends, teachers, coaches, or any person that has a relationship with the graduate to write messages to celebrate this important milestone. The notes and cards are mailed to the school, then collected by a designee from the PTO to compile them for distribution in the graduate's packet which they get at graduation practice.

HOW DOES IT WORK?

- The Senior Silver Envelope is a silver Northview embossed 9" x 12" envelope.
- The largest item to send is 8 ½" x 11" flat card or note, it must be FLAT.
- Where to send and how to address it?
 - 1st line: Student's Name
 - 2nd line: Northview High School PTO Silver Envelope
 - 3rd line: 10625 Parsons Road
 - 4th line: Johns Creek, GA 30097

Please make sure your family and friends know how to address the cards for mailing. Stress to everyone you reach out to: DO NOT SEND CASH, CHECKS, OR GIFT CARDS. This program is meant for words of well wishes only.

- Deadline: All cards/notes must be received by Friday, May 5, 2023
 - Cards may be dropped off at school, but they must be in an envelope addressed correctly.

This unique tradition means a lot to the graduate. Kind words and inspirational messages sent from people who have touched their lives during their first eighteen years of life will be long remembered. If you have questions regarding this program, contact Anubha Singh at singh.anubha@gmail.com.

Here is a sample email you may copy to send to family and friends asking them to participate in this program.

Dear Friends and Family,

We are writing to let you know that. will be graduating from Northview High School on May 24th, 2023. As someone who has been dear to his/her heart over the years, we would like to ask you for a favor. The school will be giving the graduates an envelope filled with notes and well wishes from the important people in their lives. This is where you come in! This is not a gift giving occasion (no money or gifts, please!), just a simple note or card that they will cherish always. If you choose to participate, please mail your card or letter to the school.

The deadline to receive your card is May 5, 2023.

Student's First & Last Name
Northview High School PTO Silver Envelope
10625 Parsons Road
Johns Creek, GA 30097

Addressing the envelope as shown above is very important to ensure our student gets your well wishes. Please do not send cash, checks, or gifts of any kind. Your card must be flat and no larger than 8 ½" x 11".

On behalf of the entire staff, please accept my congratulations for the accomplishments of your child! There is still much to do in the few months that remain – please help us keep our students focused so they can both enjoy their final semester of high school and complete all the requirements to graduate in May!

Ever Upward and Onward!



Martin Neuhaus
Principal

