



Vista High School

Graduation Information 2017-2018

Finals Schedule for Seniors only:

Thursday, May 31
Periods TBD

Friday, June 1
Periods TBD

Monday, June 4
Periods TBD

Graduation is an event that VHS seniors and their families look forward to every year. It is a culmination of 13 years of schooling and the successful completion of high school graduation requirements.

It is the purpose of this information packet to provide graduating seniors and their families with important information regarding the end of the school year and the graduation ceremony. Please remember that this is a celebratory time of year, however, participation in senior pranks and the violation of school rules may result in a senior not being allowed to participate in the graduation ceremony at VHS.



CLASS OF 2018



Key Dates For Seniors:

April 11 Student of the Year Celebration

May 12 Junior/Senior Prom

May 16 Cap/Gown Distribution

May 24 Yearbook Distribution (B17)

June 4 Senior Awards Night

June 5 Senior Sunset

June 6 Senior Salute Breakfast

June 6 Graduation Rehearsal/Tickets

June 7 Commencement

June 7 Grad Night – Magic Mountain

CEREMONY

Thursday, June 7, 2018

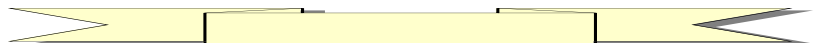


6:00 pm

Dick Haines Stadium

One Panther Way

Vista, Ca 92084



Stadium gates open at 4:30 pm

Parking is limited.

Please allow ample time for parking.

No umbrellas, balloons, coolers, or noisemakers are allowed into the Graduation Ceremony.



MARCHING PARTNERS

April 30 – May 4, 2018

Both partners must come to the Counseling office during lunch time April 30 – May 4, with proper ID, to register.

The list of marching partners will be posted at graduation rehearsal on June 6, 2018. Seniors must march in pairs. Students not wishing to choose a partner will be randomly assigned a partner.

CAP & GOWN DISTRIBUTION

All debts, including Saturday Schools, must be cleared before you may pick up a cap/gown.



**Wednesday, May 16, 2018
In the Main Quad at Lunch Time**

A temporary cap, gown, tassel, and medallion will be available on-loan by contacting Nurse, Mrs. Hoffman. ALL 4 items must be returned unaltered and undamaged (no decorating, no perfume/make-up in the cap or gown) immediately following the graduation ceremony, in order to receive your diploma. For seniors who wish to purchase a cap or gown, Jostens will be on campus by the cafeteria windows to sell the Cap, Gown, Tassel, and Medallion for \$30.00

Students may check in finance and in the library for the list of owed debts.



YEARBOOK DISTRIBUTION

**May 24 (for Seniors only) - May 25 for all grades
During Lunch & After School in Room B-17
(Starting May 29, see Mrs. Wood in D-14)**

Students must have their current Vista High School ID card in order to pick up a pre-purchased yearbook from Mrs. Wood in B17. Yearbooks may be purchased for \$95 at the Finance window.

Available while supplies last (cash only)!

SENIOR AWARDS NIGHT

Monday, June 4, 2018

6:00pm

In the Gym



Students will be notified ahead of time if they are receiving recognition at this event. Family and friends are invited to attend this ceremony to honor the accomplishments of graduating seniors.

Awards and cash scholarships for academics and athletics will be presented. Please dress professionally.

APPROPRIATE DRESS FOR GRADUATION

This is a formal occasion and needs to be treated with DIGNITY and CLASS. Appropriate dress for graduation is similar to the requirements for Grad Night at Magic Mountain.



- Boys should wear appropriate clothing such as dress pants and shirts with collars. Boys are encouraged, but not required to wear ties.
- Girls must wear low heel or flat shoes (because of artificial turf) and their choice of dressy pants, skirts or dresses.
- Seniors may not alter or write on their cap or gown in any way. Seniors must enter the gym carrying the cap and gown on his or her arm.
- Each senior is permitted to wear only one-flower lei and may not carry flowers. No other types of leis will be permitted (including leis made of candy or money).
- The only sashes, cords or other personalized items that may be worn over the gown must be issued by a recognized school organization and approved by the site administration.
- Bobby pins may be necessary to hold the mortarboard (hat) on properly for both boys and girls. The top of the hat must be parallel to the ground. Students should bring the bobby pins and put the mortarboard on after the final security check in the gym.

The tassel is worn over the right temple until the completion of the ceremony. The Senior class officers will lead the class in the turning of the tassels to the left side at the conclusion of the ceremony.



GRADUATION REHEARSAL

Wednesday, June 6, 2018

Dick Haines Stadium

12:30 pm – 2:30 pm

Graduation Rehearsal is **MANDATORY** for **ALL** seniors participating in Graduation.

Students will receive 6 tickets at rehearsal.
No Additional tickets will be available.



COMMENCEMENT (Graduation Ceremony)

Thursday, June 7, 2018

6:00 pm - 7:30 pm

Stadium gates open at 4:30 pm

- ◆ Seniors need to check in at 4:30 pm in the gym. Seniors will enter the gym through the fire lane doors.
- ◆ Seniors will then enter the main quad from the gym to begin the processional line to the field.
- ◆ The ceremony will start promptly at 6:00 pm and will end at approximately 7:30 pm
- ◆ All students will be searched twice (once when entering the gym and a second time just before the ceremony) for alcohol/controlled substances, balloons, firecrackers, beach balls, etc. Anyone carrying these items will not be allowed to participate in the ceremony.
- ◆ Seniors will also be screened for sobriety at this time. Anyone under the influence will be prohibited from participating in the ceremony and turned over to the Sheriff's Department.

PARKING ACCOMMODATIONS



Since parking is highly limited on campus, families are encouraged to carpool for the Graduation Ceremony.

Handicap Parking – Additional handicap parking will be near the Agricultural Department at the north end of the main parking lot. Electric cart service will be available to take handicapped persons to special sections on the track. One adult may accompany the handicapped individual.

GRAD NITE



Thursday June 7, 2018

Dear Grad-Nighters,

When do the buses leave/arrive for /from Grad-Night?

- Arrive on campus at **9:00pm and Thursday, June 7**. This is following GRADUATION! We will take roll and load the buses as soon as possible in order to leave as soon as possible.
- We will meet in the rear parking lot or across the street at Vista Vision (depending on how clear the parking lot is), and you will be divided into bus groups. **You will need your ID in order to board the bus!**
- Grad Nite ends at **5:00am**. You will need to leave Magic Mountain and head back to the buses at that time. Once everybody on your bus is present, the bus will leave to return to VHS. We should arrive back at VHS between **9:00am and 10:00am** depending on traffic.
- You can leave your car in the **VHS back parking lot** as there will be a security guard on patrol all night.

What can students bring onto the buses/into the park?

There are no liquids allowed onto the buses (we will provide water bottles). Food is also not allowed, along with items prohibited on the back of this flyer. You can bring a purse (8.5 x 11), drawstring backpack, sweatshirts, jackets, cell phones, cameras, and personal items you would bring into the park.

What kind of security will be present?

All bags, pockets, and other items are checked for any illegal substances and weapons prior to boarding the bus. All questionable items will be confiscated. You will also be subject to a security search before entering Magic Mountain. Security is visibly present throughout the park during the event, and a paging system is in place to reach your chaperones should you require assistance.

What's this about a Grad Pass?

The Grad Pass is a season pass, with some black-out dates, that each student will receive with their Grad Nite ticket. The Grad Pass will be valid from the time of Grad Nite until December 31, 2018 with the pass being blacked during Fright Fest. This pass is only good for Magic Mountain and will not grant entry into Hurricane Harbor.

Can students leave Grad-Nite early?

No, all students must ARRIVE and DEPART on the Vista High School buses! Magic Mountain will not admit anyone into the parking area/structure in vehicles other than buses.

What is the dress code?

In keeping with our family-friendly environment, and for safety reasons, Six Flags enforces a dress code. Proper attire must be worn in the park at all times, including shirts and appropriate footwear. Clothing or tattoos with offensive language or graphics are not permitted at any time.

Examples of clothing NOT permitted are those displaying:

- Profanity
- Pornography
- Graphic violence
- Support of drugs and drug use
- Gang symbols
- Promotion of discrimination against any group
- Masks and hoodies with face covers

What should students wear?

Suggested items include: Drawstring backpacks, Purses (sized 8.5 x 11), Jeans or leggings/yoga pants, T-Shirts (no plain white undershirts), Blouses, Sweaters, or Tops. **Remember:** Temperatures drop overnight - it is recommended to avoid wearing shorts, skirts, or dresses.

What are the park rules?

- Absolutely NO Alcohol, Drugs, or Weapons of any kind are permitted.
- Six Flags is a SMOKE-FREE Park and will not tolerate smoking in the park on GRAD NITE. This includes E-Cigarettes and Vaping.
- Only buses or chaperone driven vehicles will be permitted to park. Absolutely NO student driven vehicles will be permitted.
- No student or guest of a student will be permitted to leave Grad Nite prior to park closing unless accompanied by a chaperone.
- No outside food, drink, coolers or other food containers are permitted.
- ALL students and guests are required to adhere to the Dress Code provided or entrance to GRAD NITE may not be permitted.

Please note: This is a non-district sponsored student activity.

For more information, go to www.sixflags.com/magicmountain/special-events/grad-nite

THERE ARE NO REFUNDS GIVEN FOR GRAD NITE TICKETS.

VHS Senior Activities 2018

Senior Event	Event Date	Prices	Important Deadlines	General Information
Senior Sunrise	October 27 6:30am	No charge	N/A	6:30am on the field
Senior Spirit Wear	Final delivery April	\$15 shirts \$35 hoodies	Last day to purchase March 1	Order in Finance office.
Prom Guest Bids	Available April	No charge	Guest bids are due Wednesday, May 2	Turn in to counseling for approval. Tickets can be purchased the next school day in Finance.
Prom	Saturday, May 12	Apr 9-13: \$45 w/ASB-\$50 without April 16-20: \$50 w/ASB-\$55 without April 23-27: \$55 w/ASB-\$60 without Apr 30-May 4: \$60 w/ASB \$65 without	Final day of sales May 4	CSUSM University Student Union from 7pm-11pm
Marching Partners	First week of May	No charge		Go to Counseling Office with your partner to sign up. **Remember to bring both of your ID cards!!!
Senior Week Activities	May 14-18th	No charge	N/A	TBA
Cap and Gown Distribution	Wednesday, May 16	Prices and more information can be found at www.jostens.com	N/A	Distribution in main quad at lunch
Yearbook Distribution	Last week of May	October - December \$85, January - February \$90, March \$95	Senior ads due by February 16	Buy your yearbooks at Finance or via www.Jostens.com . See www.vhs.vistausd.org/yearbook for information
Scholarships Night	Monday, June 4	No charge	VHS Gym 6pm-8pm	
Senior Sunset	Tuesday, June 5	No charge	VHS Stadium 6:00pm - 9:00pm	
Senior Breakfast	Wednesday, June 6	No charge	VHS Gym 8:30am-10:30am	
Graduation Rehearsal	Wednesday, June 6	No charge	VHS Stadium 12:30-2:30	Practice is <u>required</u> . Graduation tickets will be passed out at rehearsal.
Graduation	Thursday, June 7	No charge	Students check-in at 4:30pm in gym	Event begins at 6pm.
Grad Nite at Magic Mountain	Thursday, June 7	\$125 w/ASB \$130/without ASB	Guest Passes due May 17 Tickets guaranteed until May 1st	Meet at 9pm. <u>IDs are required</u> . Guests must be graduating seniors. Guest Passes are in Counseling

