

# 2021 GRADUATION GUIDELINES AND INFORMATION

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- 1.) There will be a video from Mr. Graham sent to the Senior Class on Friday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>. ALL SENIORS MUST WATCH THE VIDEO!
- 2.) Each senior that is permitted to participate in the ceremony will receive **4 tickets**. **EVERYONE**, including children other than **INFANTS**, requires a ticket to attend the ceremony. Make sure you do not lose your tickets as we do not replace lost/stolen tickets.
- 3.) All obligations **MUST** be cleared by the end of the day on Friday, May 7<sup>th</sup>. This includes: Fees, textbooks, locks, library books, athletic equipment, etc.
- 4.) Seniors must adhere to individual teacher guidelines in completing their required coursework, prior to May 7<sup>th</sup>.
- 5.) All seniors planning on participating in Graduation Exercises **MUST** attend Graduation Practice at 9:00am on Thursday, May 13<sup>th</sup>. **REHEARSAL ATTENDANCE IS MANDATORY!!** Students that are disruptive during the rehearsal will be removed and will not be allowed to participate in the graduation ceremony.
- 6.) Graduation is scheduled for 7:00 p.m. on Friday, May 14<sup>th</sup>, 2021. The ceremony will be held in the Junior High Gym. Graduates are to report to the Junior High Cafeteria no later than 6-6:30 p.m., properly attired, and assembled according to prior instructions. **Please remember: IF YOU ARE NOT THERE ON TIME, YOU WILL NOT BE ABLE TO WALK, THERE WILL BE NO LATE ADMITTANCE TO GRADUATION.** Students who are not properly attired for the graduation ceremony will not be allowed to participate. Any student who has difficulty meeting these requirements should speak with Mr. Graham prior to graduation practice on May 13<sup>th</sup>.
- 7.) **The following guidelines will be strictly enforced:**
  - Masks **MUST** be worn at all times while in the building
  - Please follow social distancing guidelines i.e. 4 guests with tickets from same household sit together then space 3ft then next group and so forth....
  - No gum chewing during the ceremony
  - No Sunglasses
  - No writing of any type on gowns, cap designs must be approved
  - Possession of any type of disruptive item before, during, or after the ceremony will result in removal from the ceremony and/or disciplinary action
  - Appropriate Footwear is required: NO **FLIP-FLOPS or TENNIS SHOES**

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- Students in violation of any of the above rules, or in violation of any school policy, before, during, or immediately after the graduation ceremony, will be assessed penalties as presented in the Momence Community High School Student Handbook. Transcripts will be withheld until the consequence has been served.
- No noise makers, you will be removed from the gymnasium immediately.
- No balloons in the building, if brought, they must be left in the cafeteria at your own risk.
- The ceremony begins promptly at 7:00-**Doors will be shut with no admittance after 7:00!!**

8.) Handicapped seating is available upon request on a first come/first serve basis. You must contact Mrs. Wood in the MCHS office (815) 472-6477 prior to the day of graduation if you have a guest requiring this seating.

9.) If you still need a cap and gown/tassel, per JOSTENS, you may do so by going to [getgradstuff.com](http://getgradstuff.com) or by calling Jostens at (630) 963-3500.

10.) Awards day is Friday, April 30<sup>th</sup>.

11.) Students approved for cap decorations must present the caps for final approval to Mr. Graham by Monday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>.

**12.) When in doubt, CALL! The Momence Community High School phone number is (815) 472-6477.**