



Student Graduation Committee
10/11/2024

Introductions

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Total Attendees:

General Information - Jodi Courtland

- The purpose of this committee is to include our students more in their graduation!
- **Save the date** for the in person ceremony June 1st, Location: Okemos High School (2800 Jolly Rd, Okemos, MI 48864) Time: 2 PM,
- Cap and Gowns are yours to keep and must be ordered by May 15th [HERE](#)
- Decorating caps is allowed. (school appropriate)
- Fill out the GLLA Graduation DV ASAP!
- If you have questions about graduating early or if you will have enough credits to graduate this school year please schedule some time with [your counselor](#) to discuss.
- Guest Limit: 6 per graduate. We will have additional seating in the cafeteria for extra guests to come and watch the live stream. That way they will be available for pictures after the ceremony.

Graduation Requirements-Mrs. Courtland

- Keep up with your classes so that you don't get behind.
- Seniors must be done with classes by May 16th in order to participate in the ceremony.
- Questions or concerns about classes, talk to your counselors and your teachers.
- Computer access: Once you complete requirements, you will have about a week in order to get anything off the computer that you want to save/keep before you are exited as a graduate and lose access to your computer.
- Link to return computers drop in chat:
<https://www.connectionsacademy.com/returning-materials/>

Website Introduction - Corrie Groth

- Graduation updates will be added to our website all year long [HERE](#)



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- Senior Stories! We are looking for stories about our upcoming graduates to post on our [Facebook page](#), [website](#), school newsletters and possibly even in local media outlets! If you would be willing to share your story, please reach out to Ms. Groth.

FAFSA Presentation-Ms. Paul

Action Items (Things to do before next meeting)

- Start brainstorming ideas for a class quote, song or tshirt design
- Consider becoming a speaker at our graduation by either submitting a speech or volunteering to participate in an already scripted part of the ceremony (such as turning of the tassels)
- Come to the next meeting with any questions or ideas that you would like to share!

Next Meeting:

Friday, November 8th at 3:00pm

Topic: We will discuss the class of 2025 voting options (due January 6th). We'd like your input!

- Class Shirt Design
- Class Song
- Class Quote
- Class Flower