



MORENCI AREA SCHOOLS

MHS CLASS OF 2023 SENIOR END OF YEAR INFORMATION

Graduation Date: Sunday, May 21, 2023

Baccalaureate Ceremony will be held at 2:00 p.m. at Morenci United Methodist Church

Graduation Commencement will be held at 4:00 p.m. at Henry Geisler Field

Last Week of School

- **Wednesday, May 17, 2023**
 - Last Day at Tech Center for seniors
 - All senior exams must be completed by this date
- **Thursday, May 18, 2023**
 - Last day of school for seniors
 - Students must arrive by 7:45 a.m. and gather in the MS/HS cafeteria. A special breakfast will be served.
 - "THIS I BELIEVE" presentations will take place May 18 during the AM hours
 - This is a mandatory event
 - ALL SENIORS NEED TO READ THEIR "THIS I BELIEVE" ESSAYS, LISTEN TO OTHERS, and stay until all are completed.
- **Friday, May 19, 2023**
 - **Graduation rehearsal**
 - This is a mandatory event
 - Arrive no later than 10:00 a.m. in the MS/HS cafeteria
 - Students must arrive on time and participate in rehearsal to walk at Commencement on Sunday
 - All fines have to be paid as of rehearsal time, and all materials (books, Chromebooks, chargers, athletic uniforms, etc.) must be turned in by this day to receive a cap/gown
 - Premier Bank will attend and give out information on starting bank accounts
 - **Kindergarten/Senior Walk**
 - May 19 after rehearsal (approximately 12:00 p.m.) at the elementary school
 - This is a mandatory event
 - Seniors may leave school following the walk

Baccalaureate

- Sunday, May 21 at 2:00 p.m. at the Morenci United Methodist Church
- This event is not required
- Arrive no later than 1:30 p.m. in the parking lot of the Nazarene Church. We will walk down North Summit Street to the Morenci United Methodist Church together

Commencement

- Sunday, May 21 at 4:00 p.m. on the football field (weather permitting)
- Arrive no later than 3:30 p.m. to the MS/HS Cafeteria
- In the event of inclement weather, the Commencement ceremony will be held in the high school gym on Sunday, May 21 at 4:00 p.m.
- This event will be streamed by NFHS whether it is indoor or outdoor

Graduates

- **Dress Code**
 - This is a formal dress and graduates should dress appropriately
 - No tennis shoes, flip flops, jeans, etc.
 - Gentlemen should be dressed in dress pants & collared shirt (tie is optional)
 - Ladies should be in dress slacks or skirts/dresses of appropriate length
 - If you need assistance with clothing/shoes, please notify the office as soon as possible
- **Plans After Graduation**
 - Your plans for after graduation will be read at commencement along with scholarships you have received
 - Be sure to complete the Google Form/s from Mr. Lemmon pertaining to this information.
- **Diplomas**
 - Remember that you do not get your actual diploma upon walking across the stage. This is to ensure you act appropriately at the event.
 - After the recessional (class song), you are dismissed to go pick up your diploma in the cafeteria from Mrs. Lemmon
 - NHS students must return their mantles to Mrs. Dunford or an administrator before leaving graduation
 - **Request for a Board Member to present your diploma:**
 - A written request by the student to Mrs. Ellis needs to be submitted no later than Wednesday, May 17 if you would like a Board Member to present you your diploma
 - This applies only to BOARD MEMBERS. Other staff or family may not present diplomas to students.

Parents

- Please be aware of the information above for your graduate
- There is NO reservation of seats at Baccalaureate or Commencement.
 - The Morenci United Methodist Church will open at 1:30 p.m. Seats are first come, first serve.
 - Should Commencement be moved indoors, the high school activities entrance will not open until 3:00 p.m. for guests. Seats are first come, first serve.
 - Tickets are NOT required for admission to either graduation event.

Other Information

- Students have until September 1, 2023 to transfer all their current email information to a new email as yours will be shut down at that time
- To order special graduation announcements, rings, clothing, etc. you may visit Jostens.com, select "Shop your school" and enter Morenci High School