

ELYRIA CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

SENIOR
Celebration



Class of 2023

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SENIOR ROUND-UP



WHAT ARE YOUR PLANS?

REMINDER:

Counseling needs to know which college every senior will be attending so that a final transcript can be sent. If students will be engaged in something other than college such as military, full-time employment, etc., counseling will need to know what that may be.

Please bring to school on Thursday, May 4, your list of scholarships and grants. This list should include the actual financial aid letters that have been received from **any and all** colleges and universities. The Counseling Department will make a copy of the financial aid letters and return the original letter.

We will NOT ask for amounts of loans or work study—only scholarships and grants. Bring ALL the scholarships and grants that have been offered, not just the ones that are being accepted. These financial awards will be used at the Awards Ceremony and will be listed in the Commencement Program. The deadline for turning in scholarships and grants will be Thursday, May 4. Any questions should be directed to the counselors.

****Also, all seniors are required to submit scholarship information. If they choose to waive this requirement, they will need to sign a waiver which will be given to them, Thursday, May 4. If they do not waive this requirement and do not submit scholarship information, then the diploma will be withheld by administration.**

Please bring this information to English class on Thursday, May 4.
Thank you.

enchanted forest

Theme: Enchanted Forest

Date: Friday, May 12

Time: 6:00 – 10:00 pm

- **Students must arrive by 6:30 pm and can leave no earlier than 9:30 pm**

Dress: Formal

- **Appropriate dress styles (if uncertain, please check with Administration prior to the dance)**

Once students and their guests enter Tom's Country Place, they will not be permitted to leave or go to their car. Tom's Country Place and Elyria Catholic High School are not responsible for lost or stolen articles.

The school in no way condones drinking alcohol, drinking and driving, the use of drugs, rental of hotel rooms, or un-chaperoned parties before or after prom.

Any other behavior that is not appropriate for the occasion, including styles of dance, will be dealt with immediately and parents will be contacted. Students must adhere to all policies in the Elyria Catholic Student-Parent Handbook.

We trust that we have your cooperation in these matters so that both home and school are working together sharing and supporting the same values.

JUNIOR & SENIOR PROM



SENIOR EXAMS

THURSDAY, MAY 18 & FRIDAY, MAY 19

Time: 8:00 am

Dress: School Uniform

Students will complete their final exams and wrap up the school year by returning textbooks, Chromebooks, chargers, cleaning out their lockers and any other necessary responsibilities.

Students who fail to report for an exam will receive a failing grade on the exam which counts for 20% of their second semester grade and could therefore jeopardize the student's graduation.

SENIOR CELEBRATION BREAKFAST & ALUMNI AWARDS

MONDAY, MAY 22, 2023
Elyria Catholic Coliseum

Time: 9:00 – 10:30 am

- 9:00 am | Hot Breakfast Buffet
- 9:30 am | Alumni Awards &

Senior Superlatives Presentation

Dress: Dress-up
(appropriate dress-up attire)

Attendance is mandatory
and students must stay
for the duration.

*Alumni
Awards*



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SENIOR ACTIVITIES & EVENTS



SENIOR CELEBRATION BREAKFAST & ALUMNI AWARDS

Monday, May 22, 2023 | 9:00 -10:30 am | Coliseum

SENIOR CAFE

Tuesday, May 23, 2023 | 8:30 am | Cafeteria

BACCALAUREATE PRACTICE

Tuesday, May 23, 2023 | 9:00 am | Coliseum

- Dress: Casual, appropriate
- Practice is mandatory

SENIOR PICNIC

Following Baccalaureate Mass Practice, seniors will head to the football field for their Senior Picnic.

COMMENCEMENT PRACTICE

Wednesday, May 24, 2023 | 9:00 am | Coliseum

- Dress: Casual, appropriate
- Practice is mandatory
- If you arrive prior to start time, please meet in the cafeteria.
- If you are not present the entire time, you will forfeit your participation in these events.
- Tickets will be distributed at Commencement practice on Wednesday, May 24 for those who have all tuition and fees paid to date.

SENIOR NIGHT OF ADORATION

Wednesday, May 24, 2023 | 6:00 pm | Our Lady of Grace Chapel
Seniors are invited to join Ms. Lanzola in Our Lady of Grace Chapel for a special night of adoration. This event is optional but we encourage you to spend this time in prayer with your class.

BACCALAUREATE MASS & SENIOR DISTINCTION AWARDS CEREMONY

THURSDAY, MAY 25, 2023
6:00 PM | COLISEUM



Dress:

Caps and Gowns
NO DECOR ON CAPS

Gentlemen:

- Dress pants, dress shoes, dress shirt & tie
- Must be clean shaven

Ladies:

- White or light-colored dresses or skirt & top.
- Dresses/skirts should not exceed the length of the gown.
- White (ONLY) shoes/dressy sandals.
- No flip-flop or tennis style shoes.

Please follow dress code guidelines on pages 25-27 in the 2022/2023 Student-Parent Handbook.

No gum please.

Seniors will have an active role in this liturgy. Members of the Class of 2023 will proclaim scriptures, carry the gifts in the offertory procession, and distribute the Eucharist.

Tickets are not needed for this liturgy. Family and friends are welcome to attend.

Legacy Reception is on Thursday, May 25, 4:30 - 5:30 pm on Room 108 for students and their families who are EC alumni. Group photo will be taken on the plaza before the students gather in the JETPAC.

Seniors are to report to the James E. Terrell Performing Arts Center no later than 5:30 pm.

Any senior who does not attend Baccalaureate Mass and the Senior Distinction Awards Ceremony will not be permitted to participate in Commencement on Friday evening.

The Senior Distinction Awards Ceremony will follow Baccalaureate Mass after a short intermission.

COMMENCEMENT

**FRIDAY, MAY 26, 2023
6:00 PM | COLISEUM**



Dress:

Caps and Gowns

NO DECOR ON CAPS

Gentlemen:

- Dress pants, dress shoes, dress shirt & tie
- Must be clean shaven

Ladies:

- White or light-colored dresses or skirt & top.
- Dresses/skirts should not exceed the length of the gown.
- White (ONLY) shoes/dressy sandals.
- No flip-flop or tennis style shoes.

Note:

- Anyone dressed inappropriately will be excluded from the ceremony.
- No gum please.
- Seniors should meet in the James E. Terrell Performing Arts Center by 5:30 pm.
- Admission is by ticket only, including children.
- Please refer to the enclosed ticket order form. Please complete the form and return it to the Main Office by Wednesday, May 17, 2023. Please note that there is a limit of 10 tickets per family.

Doors open at 5:00 pm. Security will be taking tickets at the door. The ceremony begins promptly at 6:00 pm. No one will be permitted to enter while the graduates and the faculty are processing in.

The graduates will receive diploma covers only. Diplomas will be distributed in the James E. Terrell Performing Arts Center for 30 minutes following the ceremony. If not picked up then, they will be in the main office the following week.

The Coliseum will be open for 30 minutes after the ceremony for picture taking. After that time, we ask that you move out of the Coliseum so that it can be cleaned and locked by school personnel.



Elyria Catholic High School is honored to welcome Mr. Alan Lerchbacker '70, who will address the Class of 2023 as the featured commencement speaker at the 74th Commencement Exercises on Friday, May 26, at 6:00 pm in our iconic Coliseum.

“As the Elyria Catholic community celebrates the 75th anniversary of its founding, we continue to Paws to Celebrate our current and past EC graduates who prowl with pride in all they do in their personal and professional lives,” said President Annie Heidersbach. “Isolated by the pandemic for over half of their high school experience, we applaud our class of 2023 graduates’ achievements and laud their character and perseverance. Similarly, Mr. Lerchbacker’s varied accomplishments, grit, quick wit, and energy will surely inspire the class of 2023 and our guests. We are delighted to feature Alan, who personifies our strategic plan, Inspired by our past, investing in our future.”

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