The graduation of our Class of 2025 is rapidly approaching. This is an exciting time for everyone involved, and we want to make sure everything goes as smoothly as possible for you and your family. Here are a few important reminders to help ensure you stay on track to graduate and will be able to participate in the commencement ceremony.

- Continue attending all of your classes and do the best you can until the last day of school. Don't let
 "senioritis" impact your success. Students who do NOT fulfill <u>ALL</u> of their credits and other graduation
 requirements will not be able to participate in the graduation ceremony. This is a district policy, which we
 cannot alter.
- Remember the "60 Day Rule" (beginning April 1st). Commencement disqualification: Requiring that seniors be disqualified from participation in commencement exercises and related activities if within 60 school days of the last senior school day (May 29, 2025), they are found to be in violation of district Alcohol or Drug policy or any violation resulting in three or more days of suspension or more serious disciplinary action. (Reference 4.30.020-AD) Be aware that all school pranks, resulting in vandalism or disruption of the school day, could also be a violation of this rule and may result in not being allowed to participate in prom and/or graduation.
- Complete the following <u>Personalized Learning Requirements</u>:
 - 2 CRLE Reflections (Career Related Learning Experience) submitted on this Form.
 - Résumé completed in your Junior English class.
 - My Plan Essay completed in your Senior English class

Please note: These are Oregon state graduation requirements. The final deadline to get these items done is May 1st. You will not be able to buy Prom tickets if you have not completed the PLRs and met the attendance requirements (see below). Counselors & Ms. Kokes, Career Coordinator, are available to assist students in the completion of these requirements. Lastly, you must also complete your Senior Survey which will be available in May.

Cap and Gown Pickup Day: April 21st during lunch

- If you are not able to pick up your items on this day, check in with Mrs. Broy, mbroy@pps.net.
- If you still need to order a cap and gown, please contact Jostens at 503-255-7120.
- We do have some caps and gowns available to borrow for families in need. Please contact Michelle Broy, mbroy@pps.net.

College & Career Senior Celebration: May 2nd from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM in the College & Career Center

- The College & Career Center wants to know your plans for next year. Stop by throughout the day on May 2nd to fill out the Senior Survey, put yourself on the senior map, and grab a cupcake!
- There will be prizes, a photo booth, and more!

Prom: Friday, May 9th 7:00 PM to 10:00 PM @ Left Bank Annex

Attendance requirements are in alignment with school policy.

- A 90% average daily attendance is required to purchase tickets and attend prom.
- The attendance review period will be from March 31 through April 25th.
- Students at risk of the attendance policy will be notified and have the opportunity to improve their attendance with an attendance growth form during the week of April 28th through May 7th.
- Attendance growth forms are due in the main office on May 7th.
- Guest permission slips will be available April 28th and due no later than May 3rd.
- All Personalized Learning Requirements (PLR) must be completed in order to buy a ticket to prom.
- Ticket sales start April 28th and end May 8th at the end of lunch.

Senior Fees/Fines Shared: May 9th

To graduate you must clear all charges to your school account; these could be as far back as middle school. The Grant Bookkeeper, Maggie Vera (mvera@pps.net), is with whom you will make your payment.

Library Overdue Books and/or Fines

- Do you have overdue books and/or fines? Here's how to check.
- Students will need to bring back materials and/or pay fines in order to be cleared to receive their diploma.
- Books that are still being used in class will need to be returned by May 31st.
- When returning your library or textbooks, please remember you should have the librarian assist you. She
 will need to scan in the barcode and confirm your items have been cleared from your record. If there are
 any questions, please contact the library through email: Teacher Librarian, Paige Battle
 (pbattle@pps.net).

Technology and School Issued Supplies

If you were issued a school Chromebook and charger, please return them together during senior clearance. There will be a \$515 charge for unreturned Chromebooks and a \$12 charge for unreturned chargers. Also, if you were issued any classroom support materials from any of your teachers, please return them to the teacher(s) they were borrowed from.

Last Full Day of School for Seniors - MANDATORY: May 29th

Senior Breakfast/Celebration:

Join us for our annual Senior Breakfast/Celebration. The **Senior Only** Breakfast will be held in the lower commons/patio and grass areas in front of the Art Building. Our own Culinary Department and Chef Hale will be catering the event. During the afternoon clearance there will also be celebratory activities.

Graduation Meeting & Class Photo:

We will have a quick Mandatory Meeting after Senior Breakfast in the auditorium, ending with a class photo. You will receive a print of the class photo with your diploma.

Senior Clearance:

Clearance forms will be available for students to pick up in the Counseling Center on May 27th. Seniors who were passing all of their classes on the 4th quarter progress report can PRE-clear with their counselors at lunch, after school or during an open period on the 27th and 28th. Counselors will also be available during the Senior Breakfast/Celebration on May 29th (12:30-3:30) to clear. The Counselor (academic sign off) is just one stop in the clearance process. Other stops will be the library, bookkeeper, turning in athletic uniforms, etc. Completion of the clearance process leads to graduation tickets.

Mandatory Graduation Rehearsal:

June 5th at 10:00 AM - Portland State University Viking Pavilion, 930 SW Hall St. Portland, OR 97201

Graduation Ceremony: Thursday, June 5th at 7:30 PM at Portland State University Viking Pavilion

- Each graduating student will receive 5 tickets/wristbands upon completion of senior clearance.
 - We are reaching out to students who did not complete the ticket survey to find out if any additional tickets will be available. We will let the community know as soon as we have more information. Please note, depending on the final survey results, it is possible that any tickets over the five requested will be issued for the Ballroom location across the park blocks from the Viking Pavilion.
- Ample ADA seats with companion seating are available.

Senior After Party: Get your tickets now for the Senior After Party!

The after party will happen at the conclusion of graduation on June 5th. Seniors will be transported in school buses from graduation to a secret location, where they get to spend time with friends playing games, winning awesome prizes (similar to previous years; MacBooks, AirPods, Visa Gift Cards & travel vouchers), eating good food, and socializing one last time together as a class. After the party, students will be brought back to the school the next morning around 2:30 AM. This is a long-standing tradition of Grant grads and an event not to be missed! **Buy your tickets before prices increase!**

https://pps.schoolpay.com/pay/for/Grant-Grad-After-Party-Tickets/Sb5aGLb. Scholarships are available.

Any questions? Please contact Michelle Broy, mbroy@pps.net or 503-916-5160 ext. 85333.

Thank you and Congratulations! We look forward to celebrating the Class of 2025.

Sincerely,

James McGee Principal