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# *Hemet High School*

*A California Distinguished School*

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April 2014

Dear Parents of Seniors:

Please note:

Thursday, May 22<sup>nd</sup> is the last regular school day for seniors. This will be a minimum day, and dismissal will be at 11:46 A.M. The attached senior letter from Al Fernandes, Activity Director, gives all of the information regarding checking out, senior activities, and graduation. I want to emphasize that any senior caught involved in any type of disruptive behavior (including but not limited to the senior will, celebrations at school involving shaving cream, silly string water balloons, or other items to throw, etc.) will not be allowed to participate in senior end of year activities including the graduation ceremony. Out of respect for the Ramona Bowl allowing us to host our graduation ceremony and to acknowledge the hardwork of our graduates, we ask that during the ceremony our guests refrain from bringing in or using noisemakers (including airhorns), silly string, blow-up objects, tortillas and anything else that may be thrown. We also ask that when presenters are speaking, they are given your respect and attention. We are looking forward to sharing this accomplishment with all of our graduates and their families.

Sincerely,

Dr. Emily Shaw  
Principal

Memorandum

**DATE:** April 2014  
**TO:** Parents and Seniors of 2014 Graduating Class  
**FROM:** Al Fernandes, Activity Director  
**SUBJECT:** Senior Letter and Activity Schedule

I am sure the excitement is growing as graduation nears and you prepare for this occasion. The following information is very important. **READ IT CAREFULLY WITH YOUR SENIOR DAUGHTER OR SON.** (Una copia está disponible en la oficina de Hemet High. Por favor llámame a Keri para una copia en español.) **WE WILL ADHERE STRICTLY TO ALL PROCEDURES AND POLICIES; SO PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU AND YOUR SENIOR UNDERSTAND THE INFORMATION COMPLETELY. WE WILL NOT MAKE ANY EXCEPTIONS!**

**EVERYONE MUST HAVE A GRADUATION TICKET TO BE ADMITTED INTO THE RAMONA BOWL! The Graduation Ceremony starts at 6:00 PM. NO SAVING OF SEATS ALLOWED! The Ramona Bowl does not allow seats to be saved and our security will ask individuals to make room for the crowd at graduation.**

We will use a ticket system for families and friends of graduates. Four (4) tickets will be given to each senior on Wednesday, April 23, 2014, at the Senior Dessert. Each **student or parent** will have their announcements mailed to them, and graduation tickets are available at the Senior Dessert. **An ID will be required for individuals picking up graduation tickets at Senior Dessert.** If graduation supplies were ordered and paid for by February 28<sup>th</sup>, then two additional tickets will be given to those seniors having met this deadline. Starting on Thursday, April 24<sup>th</sup>, each senior will be allowed to purchase two additional tickets in the ASB Office at lunch and after school for a nominal fee of \$5.00 each (the charge is needed to off-set the cost of graduation). Seniors will be allowed to purchase tickets until Wednesday, May 14<sup>th</sup> and then any tickets still available will be sold on a first come, first served basis on Thursday, May 15<sup>th</sup> in the ASB Office at lunch and after school. We recommend enclosing tickets with announcements only for those who **you are certain** will attend the ceremony. If unable to attend the Senior Dessert, then tickets may be picked up in the ASB Office starting on Thursday, April 24<sup>th</sup> at lunch or after school **ONLY**. A “FREE” shuttle bus service from the Hemet High School Stadium, and Community Christian Church will be offered to the Ramona Bowl starting at 4:00 PM

Our graduation ceremony is designed to be a **dignified occasion**. Please dress appropriately. The following procedures and rules have been established to afford participating seniors, parents, family and friends the respect and attention they each deserve. Participation in graduation is a **PRIVILEGE**. The school reserves the right to take necessary steps to make sure this is an appropriate activity in keeping with the Education Code and Governing Board policy.

**General Guidelines:**

**1. All school rules will be enforced at all activities. Any senior involved in any disruptive celebration activities at Hemet High School WILL NOT be allowed to walk for Graduation or any senior activity.**

2. If a senior cannot attend a mandatory practice or ceremony, a written request from the parent must be submitted to Dr. Shaw **no later** than Tuesday, May 20, 2014. Notification of approval or disapproval will be made in writing by Thursday, May 22, 2014.

3. STUDENTS WITH UNEXCUSED ABSENCES FOR ANY MANDATORY PRACTICE OR REQUIRED CEREMONY WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO PARTICIPATE IN THE CEREMONIES, INCLUDING GRADUATION.
4. Only seniors meeting the minimum academic and citizenship qualifications of the HUSD and the State Department of Education for graduation (including the minimum grade point average of 2.0) will be permitted to participate in the Senior Awards Program and Commencement. (If you have any concerns about your student meeting the requirements, please call 765-5150.)
5. Seniors must clear all outstanding charges for textbooks, and library items, athletic equipment not returned, or money owed to clubs or school organizations. Cap and gown will not be issued until all charges are paid in full. **CASH ONLY will be accepted after Friday, April 18, 2014. CASH ONLY!! Hemet High School will accept payment in CASH ONLY after April 18, 2014!** All fines and charges must be paid no later than 11:46 AM, Thursday, May 22, 2014!
6. College Enrollment Credit - If college credit is needed for high school graduation, a College Transcript or "work in progress" form in a sealed envelope with the college seal must be given to your counselor. Students using college credit for graduation must request that a transcript be sent to the high school by the records office of their college before a Hemet High School Diploma will be released. **YOU MAY PARTICIPATE IN THE CAP AND GOWN CEREMONY ONCE YOU HAVE SUBMITTED THIS FORM BUT YOUR HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA WILL NOT BE AWARDED UNTIL OFFICIAL NOTIFICATION OF COMPLETION IS RECEIVED FROM THE COLLEGE.** Students using college credit for graduation must request that a transcript be sent to the high school by the records office of their college before a Hemet High School Diploma will be released.
7. Adult Education Credit - All adult education coursework/hours/finals must be completed by **THURSDAY, May 15, 2014**, to ensure that credits are posted to your official transcript. **YOU MAY NOT PARTICIPATE IN THE CAP AND GOWN CEREMONY IF YOU HAVE NOT COMPLETED ALL REQUIREMENTS FOR HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION.**
8. **BYU HIGH SCHOOL CREDIT** – All course work is due to BYU by Friday, April 18, 2014. Exams must be requested, taken and returned to BYU by Friday, May 2, 2014, to ensure that credits are posted to your official transcript. **YOU MAY NOT PARTICIPATE IN THE CAP AND GOWN CEREMONY IF YOU HAVE NOT COMPLETED ALL REQUIREMENTS FOR HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION.**
9. Thursday, May 22, 2014 will be the last regular school day for seniors and is a minimum day. It is mandatory for students to complete a checkout form for every class on this day and clear all fines and charges by 11:46 AM on Thursday, May 22, 2014.

**\*\*IMPORTANT DATES\*\***

<p align="center"><b><u>Senior Dessert</u></b>  <b><u>Wednesday</u></b>  <b><u>April 23, 2014:</u></b>  <b><u>Gym/Commons</u></b></p> <p align="center"><b><u>*Highly Recommended</u></b></p>	<p>Senior Dessert – <b><u>Seniors/Parents</u></b> will pick up graduation tickets at the Senior Dessert, which will be held in the Commons and Gym of Hemet High School at <b><u>6:00</u></b> PM. Make sure you are present to pick up your materials. <b><u>PLEASE BRING A SMALL DESSERT TO SHARE WITH OTHERS.</u></b> Grad Night Tickets will be available for purchase at \$45.00 - \$50.00 at the door. "Grad Night" Tickets purchased by April 23<sup>rd</sup> will be entered into the drawing for the Limo Lunch. <b><u>A drawing for extra graduation tickets will take place at 6:30 PM.</u></b> Grad Night personnel will have a limited supply of extra Graduation tickets for sale. <b><u>Limited Graduation Seating at \$10.00 per seat (Limit 5)</u></b></p>
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<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Tuesday</b> <b>May 20, 2014:</b> <b><u>ASB Office</u></b> <b>**Required!</b></p>	<p>**Senior Week Activity Schedule information form (Found on-line) must be <u>signed</u> by a parent/student and <u>filed</u> in the <u>ASB Office</u>. The information form <u>must</u> be returned to the ASB Office by Tuesday, May 20, 2014, by 3:00 PM.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Thursday</b> <b>May 22, 2014:</b> <b><u>Hemet High</u></b> <b><u>Minimum Day</u></b> <b><u>7:45-11:46 AM</u></b> <b>**Required!</b></p>	<p>**Seniors will receive Checkout forms and packets from their first period class of the day on Thursday, May 22<sup>nd</sup>. The completed check-out packets will be turned in at the <b><u>Hemet High School Stadium</u></b> on Tuesday, May 27<sup>th</sup>. Surveys could be completed on-line before May 22, 2014. This is a minimum day for all students. Return all <b><u>books, athletic equipment, school property</u></b>, and pay all fines due to the Library and ASB by 11:46 AM, Thursday, May 22, 2014. <b>CASH ONLY! NO BOOKS WILL BE ACCEPTED AT THE STADIUM ON TUESDAY, MAY 27<sup>th</sup></b>. Students should check with the Library and ASB Office to make sure they are clear of all charges! If necessary, Seniors may checkout at the Library and the ASB Office from 1-3:00 PM on Thursday, May 22, 2014. <b><u>NO CHECKS WILL BE ACCEPTED after April 18, 2014.</u></b></p>

**\*\*Mandatory Activities and Procedures**

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>**Friday</b> <b>May 23, 2014:</b> <b><u>Ramona Bowl</u></b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>8:00 AM to</u></b> <b><u>conclusion</u></b></p> <p>Grad-Night People will be at the Bowl to sell tickets to the Grad Night Celebration.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>**Mandatory</b></p>	<p>**GRADUATION PRACTICE - <u>8:00 AM - completion</u>. Report to Ramona Bowl at 8:00 AM...<b><u>NO YEARBOOKS, PLEASE!</u></b> Guys should bring a hat or a baseball cap for practice.</p> <p>Please locate your seat for Graduation and go sit in that seat! We will have a short meeting to go over activities and schedule for Senior Week.</p> <p>Seniors <b><u>are not</u></b> allowed on campus until after <b><u>2:29 PM</u></b>.</p>
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<p style="text-align: center;"><b>***Tuesday</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>May 27, 2014</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>1:00 – 3:00 PM</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Grad-Night People will be at the Stadium to sell tickets to the Grad Night Celebration.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>**Mandatory</b></p>	<p>Senior Check Out - Students will report to the <b>Hemet High School Stadium</b> at 1:00 PM for Senior Check Out. Completed check-out packets will be collected at that time. Report to the Concession Stand by 1:00 PM. All counselors, ASB and Library staff will be present. <b>Bring cash if you still need to pay any charges!</b></p> <p><u><i>Caps and gowns will be distributed at the Visitor Team Room at completion of Senior Check out.</i></u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A. A completed Senior Future Plans survey must be completed on-line at the Hemet High School website.</li> <li>B. The completed and signed Senior Letter Info form (Found on-line) must be completed before checkout. This form is <b>due</b> in the ASB Office by <b><u>Tuesday, May 20, 2014.</u></b></li> <li>C. Seniors <b>are not</b> allowed on campus until after <b><u>2:29 PM</u></b></li> </ul>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Wednesday</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>May 28, 2014:</b> <b><u>HHS Stadium</u></b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>8:00 AM to</b> <b>10:30 AM</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Awards at 6:00 PM</u></b> <i>Seniors Report to the Stadium in Cap/Gown by 5:00 PM</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Grad-Night People will be at the Stadium to sell tickets to the Grad Night Celebration.</p>	<p>Seniors that received a notice that they will be receiving a Senior Award <b>“MUST”</b> attend a practice at 8:00 AM at the Hemet High School Stadium. Seniors NOT receiving an award may also participate in the Senior Awards but must attend the practice.</p> <p><b>SENIOR AWARDS PROGRAM - 6:00 PM. - 8:00 PM – Please write a Thank You note to the donor of the scholarship you receive!</b></p> <p>Seniors report to the Stadium by 5:00 PM. Guys should wear dark full-length pants and a light, neutral colored shirt with a collar. Shoes should be dark and comfortable for walking, with good traction. <b><u>Shorts, brightly colored tennis shoes, sandals and flip-flops ARE NOT ACCEPTABLE.</u></b> Girls should wear skirts, dresses, or dress pants. Dress shoes should be reasonably flat and comfortable for walking. <b><u>Sandals, flip-flops, and high heels are unacceptable, if not hazardous.</u></b> The audience is expected to remain for the “WHOLE” ceremony out of respect for the achievements of “ALL” students. <b>REMAIN SEATED FOR ALL AWARDS.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>C. Seniors <b>are not</b> allowed on campus until after <b><u>2:29 PM.</u></b></li> </ul>

<p align="center"><b>**Thursday May 29, 2014: Ramona Bowl</b></p> <p>Grad-Night People will be at the Bowl to sell tickets to the Grad Night Celebration.</p> <p align="center"><b>**Mandatory</b></p>	<p align="center"><b><u>GRADUATION PRACTICE - 8:00 AM to COMPLETION. Report to the Ramona Bowl at 8:00 AM</u></b></p> <p align="center"><b><u>NO YEARBOOKS, PLEASE! <i>Guys should bring their Graduation Cap or a baseball cap for practice.</i></u></b></p>
<p align="center"><b>**THURSDAY May 29, 2014: Ramona Bowl</b></p> <p align="center"><b><u>A Graduation Ticket is Required to enter the Ceremony!</u></b></p> <p align="center"><b>**Mandatory</b></p> <p>Gates at the Ramona Bowl will open at 4:00 PM</p> <p>No reserving or saving seats – you may not tape an area off.</p>	<p><b><u>GRADUATION - 6:00 PM - Completion</u></b> Seniors report to Cast House by 5:00 PM. Those seniors riding the bus to Graduation from the Hemet High School Stadium will receive a “FREE” Breakfast on Friday, May 30<sup>th</sup> at the stadium. Guys should wear dark full-length pants and a light, neutral colored shirt with a collar. Shoes should be dark and comfortable for walking, with good traction. <b><u>Shorts, brightly colored tennis shoes, sandals and flip-flops ARE NOT ACCEPTABLE.</u></b> Girls should wear skirts, dresses, or dress pants. Dress shoes should be reasonably flat and comfortable for walking. <b><u>Sandals, flip-flops, and high heels are unacceptable, if not hazardous.</u></b> Students will be searched to prevent noisemakers, beach balls, silly string, etc. from disrupting the ceremonies.</p> <p><b><u>PARENTS</u></b> - This is a dress-up affair. Please dress appropriately. We have made arrangements with Chappell Studio for a professional photographer to record the moment each student is awarded his/her diploma. The full-color proofs of these photos will be mailed at no charge to your home approximately one week after graduation. Enlargements will be available to you at a reasonable price. This service will enable all students to have a photograph of their graduation. We feel that you will be satisfied with the high quality of the resulting photograph.</p> <p align="center">*****</p> <p>Families are expected to remain in their seats, enjoy the ceremony, and limit picture taking to before and after the presentation of diplomas. Please observe the rule of <b><u>no noisemakers</u></b> during the ceremony. Allow everyone in the Bowl the opportunity to hear the whole ceremony without interference. <b><u>Graduates or members of the audience who misbehave will be escorted out of the ceremony.</u></b></p> <p align="center"><i>No Ice Chests Allowed into the Ramona Bowl!</i></p>

<p><b>**FRIDAY</b></p> <p><b>May 30, 2014</b> <b><u>9:00 AM to 11:30 AM!</u></b></p> <p><b>**Mandatory</b></p>	<p><b>Caps and Gowns must be turned in at the Hemet High School Stadium on Friday, May 30<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 -11:30 AM.</b> (Keep tassels and stoles only.) <i>Diplomas will be issued when you turn in your cap and gown. (If you need College credit for graduation, your diploma will be held in the counseling office until we receive a final transcript.)</i> A Breakfast will be given to “ALL” Seniors that rode the bus to Graduation – Cost is \$8.00 to everyone else.</p>
<p><b>ALCOHOL AND DRUGS</b></p>	<p>The State law is very specific regarding alcohol and drugs. Any senior with alcohol on his or her breath or under the influence of drugs will be removed from the line and will not be allowed to participate in any senior activity. (This applies to practices as well as the ceremonies. If not “walking” due to alcohol/drugs, the student will not be allowed to attend “Grad-Night”.) Members of the audience will also be turned away if they appear to be under the influence of alcohol or drugs.</p>
<p><b>BEHAVIOR</b></p>	<p>All school rules will be enforced at all activities. <i>Any senior involved in any disruptive celebration activities at Hemet High School <b>WILL NOT</b> be allowed to walk for Graduation or any senior activity.</i> Any behavior that is not dignified and courteous will result in removal from the event and all of the remaining senior events. Students found in possession of prohibited items (noisemakers, beach balls, silly string, etc.) before or during the ceremony may be removed from Graduation and subsequent activities.</p>

## Non - Mandatory Activities and their Procedures

<p><b>PROM</b> <b>Saturday</b> <b>April 12, 2014</b></p>	<p>The Prom will be held at “Indian Wells Country Club” in Indian Wells from 7:00-11 PM. “New York, New York” is the theme chosen by the Class of 2015 to honor the Class of 2014. Tickets are available in the ASB Office - with prices going up each week as the Prom gets closer. “Lauren Studios” will be taking pictures for the Prom CD – The CD will only be available if a picture packet is bought from “Lauren Studios”. Any questions please contact the ASB Office.</p>
<p><b>Underclass Awards</b> <b>Monday, May 19, 2014</b></p>	<p>Grades 9, 10 and 11 will be honored in the Hemet High Football Stadium from 6:00 - 8:30 PM.</p>
<p><b>FUN “N” THE MOON</b> <b>Tuesday</b> <b>MAY 20, 2014</b></p>	<p>For a nominal admission charge of \$5.00, students are given an opportunity to enjoy a good-bye dance, pizza, and receive the 2014 Yearbook early. This is a school sponsored event and the Hemet High School <b>Dress Code</b> will be enforced. <b>Yearbooks are only given to those students who paid admission to the FUN “N” THE MOON Event.</b> <b>Those Seniors who bring their <i>signed</i> “Fast Track” form (with all Library <i>and</i> ASB charges cleared) will be admitted at 4 pm.</b> All grades will be admitted at 5:00 PM. The event is over at 7:00 PM. Yearbooks will be on sale for <b>\$75.00 CASH ONLY in the ASB Office and picked up at tables in the commons!</b> If you cannot attend this event, Seniors who have PRE-PAID may pick up their Yearbook during their lunch</p>

	<p>until the bell rings on Wednesday, May 21<sup>st</sup>. Yearbooks will be SOLD and distributed to any students <u>NOT</u> attending this event AFTER SCHOOL starting at 3:00 pm on Wednesday as well.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Baccalaureate at San Jacinto Assembly of God  This is an all Hemet/San Jacinto Valley High School Service  To be held on Thursday, May 15, 2014  Please dress in Business Attire – <b>NO CAP and GOWNS!</b></p>	
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>SENIOR  Barbecue/Fun Day  Hemet High Stadium  Tuesday, May 27, 2014</b></p>	<p>8:30 AM to 12 noon in Hemet. Cost is \$5.00 per senior if purchased by Thursday, May 22, 2014-Tickets available in the ASB Office. If purchased at the event the cost is \$10.00. This is an opportunity to enjoy a barbecue, games, activities, celebrate, sign yearbooks and say senior good-byes. Seniors <b>are not</b> allowed on campus until after <b>2:29 PM.</b></p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>GRAD-NIGHT  PARTY  Hemet High School  Thursday  May 29, 2014</b></p>	<p>Hemet High School Ted Smith Senior Gym - Thursday, May 29, 2014  **Check-in will be from 9:00 - <b>12:00 Midnight</b>**  **The party ends at <b>4:00 AM</b>**  **Tickets are on sale in the ASB Office**  **Cost is \$45.00** \$50.00 at the Door!  "Tickets purchased by April 23<sup>rd</sup> will be entered into the drawing for the Limo Lunch."</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>SENIOR  Breakfast  Hemet High Stadium  Friday, May 30, 2014</b></p>	<p>On Friday, May 30, 2014 from 8:30 AM to 11:00 AM will be a Senior Breakfast before the return of Cap and Gowns – handing out of Diplomas. Seniors that rode the bus from the Stadium to the Ramona Bowl will receive a “FREE” breakfast! Cost of the breakfast is \$8.00 payable by Thursday, May 22, 2014 in the ASB Office. Breakfast meals “<b>MUST</b>” be purchased by May 22<sup>nd</sup> – no sales the day of the breakfast!</p>



# HEMET HIGH SCHOOL

## Information Form

Student ID# \_\_\_\_\_  
(Keep a copy for you files)

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Last Name First Name

**I have received the Hemet High School Senior Activity Schedule, and Information Bulletin. I understand that if my son/daughter does not comply with the rules, he/she may be removed from all graduation ceremonies and activities. Any senior involved in any disruptive celebration activities at Hemet High School WILL NOT be allowed to walk for Graduation or any senior activity. (Please see Principal's cover letter.)**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student Signature Date

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Parent/Guardian Signature Date

**PLEASE SIGN AND RETURN TO THE ASB OFFICE BY  
TUESDAY, MAY 20, 2014**