CORONADO HIGH SCHOOL
GRADUATION 2023 GENERAL INFORMATION

This Form Due by March 30TH at 4:00pm (C9)

We hope to have the best commencement ceremony possible and ask for your assistance. Both the graduate and his/her parents should read this completely and note all dates and times.

1. **GRADUATION REHEARSAL:** Rehearsal will be at 2:00 pm on Wednesday, May 23, at Coronado High School Main Gym. **THIS REHEARSAL IS MANDATORY, DO NOT BE LATE. NO excuses will be accepted for your failure to attend this rehearsal. Graduates who are not present for the rehearsal will NOT participate in the graduation ceremony. You should arrive by 1:45 pm and be seated in the Main Gym by 2:00 pm. **Caps and gowns are not needed for the rehearsal.**

2. **GRADUATION CEREMONY:** Commencement exercises will be held on **Tuesday, June 13th @ 2600 pm** at the Don Haskins Center. Relatives and friends are advised to arrive early, as seats are not reserved.

3. **DISCIPLINE ISSUES:** Any offense/referral (alcohol related, drugs, assault, etc.) that results in alternative placement during the last grading period will disqualify a student from participating in the graduation ceremony and/or Project Graduation.

4. **DIGNITY OF CEREMONY:** Commencement is a dignified ceremony. UTEP bans helium balloons, air horns, laser pointers, alcohol, glass bottles, tobacco products, and weapons. To further ensure the dignity of our ceremony graduates and their guests are to leave at home noisemakers, banners, cowbells, etc. They are not acceptable at this event. UTEP security has been instructed to search all people entering the event center and bar admission to anyone who does not comply with this request, and will remove from the ceremony any graduate OR audience member who violates the decorum of the event. The University has a clear bag policy and only permits wallet size and see through bags.

5. **PHOTOGRAPHY:** No parents, relatives, friends or professional photographers not contracted by Coronado High will be allowed on the main floor during the ceremony. UTEP Security will be enforcing this rule. Family photos may be taken before or after the ceremony.

6. **REPORT TIME:** Seniors are to report to the Haskins Center by 4:30 p.m. and be in line by 5:00 p.m. Roll will be taken shortly thereafter. **IF YOU ARE NOT PRESENT IN TIME FOR THE ROLL CALL, YOUR DIPLOMA WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE STAGE AND YOU WILL NOT PARTICIPATE IN THE CEREMONY.** (Graduates whose names have been deleted may pick up their diplomas on Monday, June 19th in the registrar’s office.) Please allow enough time to park and still be at the designated area on time. It is very important that you not be late. Consider how disappointed you will be if you do not get to participate in this special occasion.

7. **DRESS CODE:** Please remember that commencement is a dignified ceremony. Therefore, any graduate not properly dressed risks being barred from the ceremony. SANDALS/FLIP-FLOPS and ATHLETIC SHOES will not be allowed. Ladies should consider a low-heeled shoe. Gentlemen should wear a closed-toed shoe such as a loafer or oxford-style dress shoe. Girls should wear a dress, skirt, pants/blouse (NO SHORTS). Girls, formal dresses are not appropriate. Boys must wear a shirt, tie and slacks (NO SHORTS). IB students and students in the top 10% will be wearing white and yellow robes, which are somewhat transparent. For that reason, we recommend lighter colored clothing under white and yellow robes. BLUE JEANS ARE NOT ALLOWED. Cameras, purses and bags are not allowed. All items will be taken from you and you may pick them up at Coronado on Thursday, June 9th. Please leave these items with a family member until after the ceremony.

8. **CAPS AND GOWNS:** Herff Jones will begin distributing pre-ordered caps and gowns on February 22nd. All gowns need to be NEW navy blue and shiny (not matte) with trim. We have a new cap and gown this year, old ones may not be worn. If you do not have the correct gown you will not be allowed to participate in the graduation ceremony. If you have not purchased your cap and gown, please call 915-593-5777 or visit http://www.suncitygradservices.com/

Top 10%/IB gown Exchange will be on Friday, May 5th, at the Senior Award Assembly.
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If you have any questions, please call

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receive a community service cord to wear at graduation.
April 28
COMMUNITY SERVICE HOURS: All community service hours must be entered into EPISD's online system by

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FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS: ALL financial obligations (fines, equipment return etc.) must be resolved by May 22nd,
prior to senior clearance which begins on Monday, June 5, 2023.

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LAPTOPS: All Senior Macbook laptops will be collected, they are NOT for sale. MacBook’s must be returned in
working condition with all components (bag, charger & extension) Refer to PowerUp Fee Schedule for prices.
Damages and Lost/Stolen devices need to be paid prior to graduation. Failure to pay will result in final transcripts
being withheld. If you have a damaged or lost laptop, please see the bookroom clerk and the business agent for
payment plan options. These payment plans need to be paid in full by May 22nd. Any laptop fines need to be paid
in cash or debit/credit cards on school cash online.

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COMMUNITY SERVICE HOURS: All community service hours must be entered into EPISD’s online system by Friday,
April 28th. Students who have completed and entered 120 valid community service hours by the deadline will
receive a community service cord to wear at graduation. https://students.episd.org/student

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PROJECT CELEBRATION: is a fun-filled, all-night, alcohol-free graduation party for all seniors and their guests at the
El Paso Country Club. Wonderful prizes and a tremendous variety of activities and food will be available free of
charge for all Coronado graduating seniors. We encourage you to celebrate your graduation at this party and spend
this last night together as the CLASS OF 2023. Project Graduation begins at 9:00 pm and runs until 3 am. All guests
must arrive by 11:00 p.m. Once you leave you may not re-enter. Guests will be charged $50.00 per person.

If you have any questions, please call Mrs. Mendoza, Student Activities Manager, at 236-2007. PLEASE RETAIN THIS
IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR LATER REFERENCE. RETURN THE GRADUATION CONTRACT ONLY.

Attached please find your Graduation 2023 Contract. Both the graduate and parent should read this agreement carefully
and thoroughly. The signed contract should be detached from pages 1, 2 and 3 and returned to Mrs. Mendoza in Student
Activities no later than Thursday, March 30, 2023.

Parade of Graduates – Week of May 22 – 26 (Date TBD) – sign up in Student Activities Office (C9) in April
Senior Finals –June 1 (5/6/7/8), 2 (1/2/3/4),
Senior Clearance – June 5-7
Senior Breakfast – June 2 (9:00 am)
Senior Awards Assembly – May 5 (9:00 am)
Graduation Rehearsal – May 23 (2:00 pm @ Coronado High School, Main Gym)
Graduation – June 13 (6:00 pm @ Don Haskins Center)
COMMENCEMENT is an important event in the life of every graduate. It is intended to be a dignified ceremony signifying a new beginning. No one--neither graduate nor spectator--should deprive another of a meaningful ceremony.

The purpose of these guidelines is to maintain an environment in which every parent, relative, and friend can hear the names of each graduate and recognize his/her accomplishments appropriately. Our goal is to have a tasteful ceremony that can be remembered with pride by all.

Commencement is a privilege, not a right. By meeting all requirements for graduation, a senior is guaranteed only a diploma. The actual ceremony is a privilege that can be revoked at the principal’s discretion. Seniors and their families who wish to participate should carefully read the Graduation 2023 Contract before signing and returning it.

FOR THE GRADUATE: As a member of the Class of 2023, I agree to abide by the following regulations, and I understand that failure to do so could result in me not participating in the graduation ceremony:

- Graduates must follow the dress code stated on Page 1, Section 6 of “Graduation 2023 General Information” or risk removal from the procession.
- Students may not possess noisemakers, foghorns, signs, ‘silly string,’ beach balls, balloons, confetti, toilet paper, etc.
- Graduates who are not present or arrive late for the graduation rehearsal will not participate in the ceremony.
- Graduates who do not arrive in time for their counselor’s roll call preceding the ceremony will not participate in the ceremony.
- Graduates must settle all financial obligations by May 22nd (delinquencies, equipment fines, book/library fines, technology fines, club fines etc.) prior to senior clearance which begins on Monday, June 5, 2023.
- Any offense/referral (alcohol related, drugs, assault, etc.) that results in alternative placement during the last grading period will disqualify a student from participating in the graduation ceremony and/or Project Graduation.
- Graduates must return a signed Graduation 2023 Contract no later than Thursday, March 30, 2023 to Mrs. Mendoza in the Student Activities Office (C9). Seniors who don’t turn in their contract will not be allowed to participate in the graduation ceremony.

GRADUATE’S NAME (printed): _____________________________
GRADUATE’S ID. NO.: ______________________
GRADUATE’S SIGNATURE: ________________________________

FOR THE PARENT: As the parent(s) of a member of the Class of 2023, I/we agree to abide by the following rules and regulations, and I/we understand that failure to do so could result in my/our immediate removal from the Don Haskins Center by UTEP security:

- Spectators may not bring into the ceremony noisemakers, signs, ‘silly string’, foghorns, banners, beach balls, balloons, confetti, etc.
- As parents, we agree to assume responsibility for the actions and behavior of our family members and /or guests.
- As parents, we agree to impress on our child the importance of his/her behavior and to stress that any disruptive acts on his/her part may result in my child not being able to participate in the graduation ceremony.

PARENT’S NAME (S) (printed) _____________________________
DATE: _____________________________
PARENT’S SIGNATURE (S) ________________________________