

Konawaena High School Class of 2021

Commencement Understanding

Requirements and obligations must be fulfilled

by the dates stated in order to participate in the Commencement Ceremony on **Saturday, May, 22**
2021

I. Academic Requirements

- **Thursday, April 15, 2021**

- All correspondence and independent study credits must be completed and received by the grade level counselor and registrar
- Students will check with their teachers and counselors to see if they are passing all required courses

- **Friday, April 30, 2021**

- Students should be on track to earn the required number of credits
- Students will double-check with their teachers and counselors to see if they are passing all courses required for graduation.

II. Financial Obligations

- Students must have cleared all financial obligations by **Wednesday, May 19, 2021** at 3:30pm (class dues, KSG, JROTC, etc.)
- Students must have cleared all current textbook, library book, and/or equipment obligations

III. Behavior Requirements

- Chapter 19 behavior requirements/expectations must be adhered to in order to participate in the Commencement Ceremony on **May 22, 2021**
- A student may lose his/her graduation privilege, if he/she commits a Chapter 19 offense that results in a suspension that bridges all or part of the fourth quarter. Please remember that possession, use, or sale of electronic cigarettes or associated paraphernalia will result in a suspension per school policy.

Chapter 19 Class A or B offenses:

- Murder
- Assault
- Burglary
- Robbery
- Extortion
- Trespassing
- Property damage
- Possession or use of dangerous weapons
- Possession, use, or sale of drugs or drug paraphernalia
- Possession, use, or sale of illicit substances
- Possession, use, or sale of intoxicating liquor
- Sexual offenses
- Terroristic threatening

- Rendering false alarm

Chapter 19 Class C or D offenses:

Class C offenses (DOE prohibited)

- Truancy
- Insubordination
- Use of tobacco substances
- Possession or use of laser pen/pointer
- Leaving campus without permission
- Skipping class
- Smoking/Vaping

Class D offenses (School prohibited)

- Possession of contraband
- Use of contraband

- Other school rules

IV. Proper Conduct

- Commencement and Song Practices are on **Thursday, May 20nd and Friday, May 21st**
 - Practices are mandatory. Usually in the Gym from 8:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.
 - All students who commit to participate in the Commencement Ceremony on Saturday, **May 22, 2021** are required to attend practice on both days (including part-time students, **Fall 2020** graduates, walking juniors, etc.)
- All school rules must be followed
 - Commencement practices and the ceremony are school-sponsored events
- Please leave personal belongings at home
 - Your personal belongings (purses, backpacks, yearbooks, etc.) cannot be safely secured. You assume personal risk of your items being lost, stolen, or vandalized

V. Commencement Dress Code

- Students shall conform to the school dress code at all times
- Boys
 - Dark covered shoes (no slippers)
 - Dark long pants
 - White-collared shirt (long- or short-sleeved)
- Girls
 - White dress or white pants with a white top (must meet school dress code)
 - White shoes (sandals okay, no slippers)
- No alterations may be made to the cap or gown
 - Detachable alterations will be removed before the ceremony begins
 - A student with alterations that cannot be removed will not participate in the ceremony

Acknowledgement of this Commencement Understanding form must be signed

and returned to your Advisory teacher before Friday, March 12, 2021

Special Considerations due to COVID restrictions:

1. Graduation ceremony setting still to be determined.

2. Song Practices and other gatherings will be adjusted due to restrictions.

3. Return of understanding will be explained to students by advisory teachers and parents will be given options.

4. Academic reminder -Online daily class attendance is mandatory and in addition to in person requirements.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COMMENCEMENT AGREEMENT

RETURN TO YOUR ADVISORY TEACHER BEFORE FRIDAY, MARCH 12, 2021

Commencement ceremonies are the culminating activity for graduating students. The ceremony is sponsored and organized by the Senior Class. Adherence to Board and Department of Education policies/procedures, school rules, and requirements is necessary for participation. The earning of requisite course credits is not the only criterion for participation. Participation in the Commencement Ceremony is a privilege afforded to students who support the Commencement Understanding (from School Handbook - Policy Guidelines for Graduation).

If you and your parent/guardian do not sign this agreement, you cannot participate in the Commencement Ceremony on **Saturday, May 22, 2021.**

I understand and agree to follow and support the policies, rules, and requirements to participate in the graduation ceremony (commencement) as set forth in this agreement.

Student's Name (Printed): _____

Student's Signature: _____

Date: _____

Parent's/Guardian's Name (Printed): _____

Parent's/Guardian's Signature: _____

Date: _____

Home Phone: _____ Alternate Phone: _____

I do NOT wish to participate in the Commencement Ceremony.

Student's Name (Printed): _____

Student's Signature: _____

Date: _____

Parent's/Guardian's Name (Printed): _____

Parent's/Guardian's Signature: _____

Date: _____