



UCSD #4

Buffalo Tracks
Mountain View High School

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Special Senior Parents Edition

12th Grade :

65 Seniors

Upcoming Events for Seniors

4/29-Physics class to planetarium

4/30-UW Signing Day, 9:30 am; MV track meet

5/1-Senior Guitar Concert, 7:30

5/2—Senior Time Capsule, K8, 1:15 (seniors will ride the bus)

5/3-Saturday School, 8-12; Track Meet at BYU; Soccer at Powell

5/4-Track at BYU; Soccer at Cody

5/6-Nursing Clinicals at Kemmerer

5/7-HS Band & Choir Concert, 7:30 pm

5/9-Soccer at Lander

5/10-No School; Saturday School, 8-12; Regional Track at MVHS; Soccer vs. Pinedale

5/11-Regional Track at MVHS

5/12 - Mothers Day!

5/13-Senior Meeting during AHT; Senior Awards Night, 6:00 pm

5/16-5/18-State Soccer & State Track

5/17-No School, PD Day; State Track & Soccer

5/18-Saturday School, 8-12

5/20-/23-Senior Finals

5/22-Grad Practice, 9:35

5/23-Grad Practice, 9:35

5/24-Farewell Assembly, 9:35; Grad Practice to follow; Graduation, 6:00 pm; Drug and Alcohol Free Party at MVHS

Why aren't students allowed decorate their hats at graduation?

This is a question that comes up almost every year.

When you look at high school graduation ceremonies across the state, it appears there is a split among Wyoming high schools in terms of whether they allow students to decorate their hats. At MVHS, we have historically not allowed students to decorate their hats or gowns for the graduation ceremony.

We also limit "add ons" that students may want to wear during the ceremony to only school related items. We allow students to wear NHS stolls and tassels, medals from senior awards night, Red Cross Cords, and FFA Cords. While we want to celebrate the many accomplishments of our seniors, we also know that graduation isn't the place to do all that. Those graduation parties and less formal occasions are better suited to celebrate those personal accomplishments of your graduate.

This is a conversation I have in the fall with the advisors and senior student council members to remind them of our process. As always, contact Mr. Carr if you have any questions.

"You're never ready for what you have to do.
You just do it. That makes you ready."

Flora Rheta-Schreiber

Did you know?

- ◆ The only remaining Saturday Schools of the year are April 20, May 3, 10, and 18. **Students must have fewer than 7 absences** in each class in order to receive credit. Many of these Saturday Schools conflict with track or soccer events. Plan ahead!
- ◆ **Seniors must pass all required courses before they participate in the graduation ceremony. Students are not allowed to be "almost there" credit-wise.**
- ◆ Students are not allowed to take final exams early or finish the school year early. If a student chooses to leave early, then they will receive a zero on any final exams they miss. Incomplete grades will not be given for the second semester.
- ◆ There will be several graduation practices during the seniors' final week. **These practices are required for all seniors.** Those with unique situations need to visit with Mr. Carr in advance.
- ◆ **Seniors will get their tickets for graduation after all fees and fines are paid (including Chromebook repairs) and they are completely checked out of school.**
- ◆ Babysitting will NOT be available during the graduation ceremony.
- ◆ Summer School starts June 3 should a senior not pass a class required for graduation.
- ◆ **Parents and students need to remember that each college has a different process regarding the Hathaway Scholarship. Students must communicate with their college this spring AND prior to arriving on campus to be sure they receive that important scholarship.**
- ◆ Students needing official transcripts over the summer will need to contact the UCSD #4 district office. Please do **NOT** leave a message at MVHS for transcripts (no one will hear it for three months).
- ◆ If your graduate has earned a scholarship they want presented at the Senior Awards Night, they need to email Mrs. Hauf that information right away.

The Graduating Class of 2024 Drug and Alcohol Free party is an annual tradition that gives graduates a safe option on the night of their graduation. It is hosted by the senior MVHS parents. All senior class fundraising money goes to provide for the graduation party activities and gifts for the graduates. Special thanks to Kolby Christopher and Matt Clark in their role as senior class advisors and all the senior parents involved in coordinating this end-of-the-year party. We would also like to thank all the local businesses and individuals who have donated goods, services, and cash to support our students at this very special event.

- Students will be allowed to come into the party at 9:30 pm on the night of graduation. Doors will be locked and **no other students will be allowed in after 10:00 pm**. If a student leaves the party, they will not be allowed back in.
- *Cleanup for the party will begin around 2:00 am.*
- **Guests are not allowed at the graduation night party.** This event is for MVHS graduates. **Students from other schools, former students, high school students, visiting family, etc. are not allowed to attend the MVHS graduation party.**
- Graduates should come prepared for a full night of activities and fun with their friends. This is definitely an event graduates will want to be a part of. Food! Prizes! Games!
- Help from parents is still needed throughout the night. Any parent who would be willing to sign up for a specific time slot is asked to email Mrs. Christopher at christopherk@uinta4.com

Please note the date for the **Senior Time Capsule** event in the K8 cafeteria is **Monday, May 2 at 1:15 pm**. Parents are invited! Students will ride the bus to the K8.

Senior Awards Night is Monday, May 13 at 6:00 pm in the high school auditorium. Scholarships and individual senior class awards will be presented at that time.

Senior Tables in Gyms at Graduation

After school on the day of graduation, the MVHS custodians will set up tables in a large horseshoe pattern in the main gym to give family and friends a meeting place after the graduation ceremony.

- ♦ MVHS will place student names in alphabetical order around the horseshoes.
- ♦ Parents are allowed to decorate tables, but that cannot happen **until after school (3:30) on Friday, May 24**. The purpose of the tables is to give family a place to meet graduates after the ceremony and for people to leave cards for the graduates.
- ♦ **The gym is not a secure area during graduation. Gifts or card boxes should be removed prior to the actual graduation ceremony.**

UW Signing Day for Students

On Tuesday, **April 30 at 9:30** we will be honoring our students who are committing to attending the University of Wyoming with a special Signing Day. Parents and family are invited for this special event!

Senior Finals and Graduation Practice Schedule

Mon, 5/20 - Senior Finals, 2P & 4P

Tues, 5/21 - Senior Finals, 2W & 4W

Wed, 5/22- Senior Finals, 1P & 3P; **Graduation Practice, 9:35 - 11:35**

Thurs, 5/23 - Senior Finals, 1W & 3W, **Graduation Practice, 9:35 - 11:35**

Mon, 5/24 - Farewell Assembly, **9:30**; **Graduation Practice to follow**; grads to K8 for K-1 pod walkthrough; Graduation, 6:00 pm (Seniors meet in Main Gym at **5:15 pm**; this is a great photo opportunity for grads and family); Senior Party, 9:30 pm-??

Graduation Ceremony and Graduation Tickets

The graduation ceremony for the class of 2024 will be on **Friday, May 24 at 6:00 pm in the MVHS auditorium**. Our front doors will open at **5:00**.

Each graduating senior will **receive 11 tickets for graduation. Two tickets are reserved for the first four rows and the additional 9 tickets are for general seating** throughout the auditorium, including the balcony.

Seniors will not be given their graduation packet of caps, gowns, and graduation tickets until they have all fees and fines paid, Chromebooks are turned in, and students are checked out in the main office. This generally happens on the Thursday before graduation.

Graduation tickets will not be given out early for any reason.

We have scheduled with MyLocalRadio.com to again offer streaming of graduation for those special guests who can't attend the ceremony.