RHA GRADUATION CEREMONY 2023-2024

We are hoping that homeschool graduates in the Sahuarita and Tucson area will join Rocks Homeschool Academy for a formal graduation ceremony. Parents, if your desire is to have a formal graduation for your child, please follow the instructions listed in this document. If you have any additional questions, please TEXT: 520-313-5055 (Shemalya King, Director).

GRADUATION CEREMONY INFORMATION:

Date and Time: June 8, 2023 6:00 pm – 8:30 pm

Location: The Rock Church of Sahuarita 3735 W. Helmet Peak Rd. Sahuarita, AZ 85629

Ceremony Rehearsal (attendance is mandatory)

Date and Time: More details will be given later.

OPTIONAL EVENTS (to allow the graduates opportunity to get to know one another) <u>Meet and Greet Senior Day</u>

- Discuss Graduate Memorabilia Table
- Play one game
- Watch movie: TBD

Date and Time: TBD (event only held by demand)

Location: The Rock Church of Sahuarita 3735 W. Helmet Peak Rd. Sahuarita, AZ

CEREMONY FEE

A \$50 ceremony fee is required. Items listed below are our courtesy.

You will receive:

- A graduation preparations letter
- A graduation rehearsal
- A graduation ceremony program
- Ceremony reception: refreshments for all attendees
- PowerPoint slideshow displayed during the ceremony
- Diploma (see: Student-Parent Information letter for restrictions)

CAP AND GOWN ORDER

Please refer to our website: www.tros.church/RHA Browse down to link: RHA Student-Parent Information Scroll down on the document to the Graduation section under Roman numeral 3.

BE SURE TO ORDER EARLY!

The expense of the cap and gown is solely the responsibility of the parent.

POWERPOINT PRESENTATION

A PowerPoint presentation will be prepared for each graduate for the ceremony. You must have all information turned in by June 1st. Please include the following information:

- Child's full name (nickname if desired)
- Date of birth
- Parent's names
- Please provide 3-5 pictures of the graduate (one baby picture, one senior picture, all other pictures can be of any season of life). Pictures are to be emailed in JPEG format. Email pictures to <u>shemalya@therockofsahuarita.com</u>.
 OR mail to:
 GRADUATION PICTURES
 804 W. Calle Las Tunas
 Sahuarita. AZ 85629

Graduation pictures mailed can be picked up at the welcome table at The Rock Church of Sahuarita on graduation day. They will be in a sealed envelope with the child's name. RHA is not responsible for lost pictures past that day.

For all students—for various reasons—in which we did not receive pictures, will have their names displayed during the presentation.

GRADUATE MEMORABILIA TABLE

Table space will be available to display your senior's pictures and memorabilia of their life. Tables must be reserved. Please TEXT: 520-313-5055 (Shemalya King, Director) to reserve your table space.

RECEPTION

A reception will follow the ceremony and recital (please see following information for explanation of recital). We ask that every parent bring a covered dish to share. Please do not bring desserts unless it is in addition to the requested covered dish. RHA will provide dessert and drinks, as well as some finger foods. Dishes are to be placed in the kitchenette area in the church lobby.

RECITAL

RHA will be combining our piano and vocal recital with our graduation ceremony. We believe that this will add "spice" to the ceremony for both the seniors and their friends and family.

WHY ATTEND A CEREMONY?

We believe that it is a great reward to be openly acknowledged when you complete any journey in life. This opinion is not contrived from pride. It is pride for one to desire a public display for themselves, but it is humility to display God's faithfulness to you and your child on this courageous journey. We want to applaud all parents and all students for finishing their race!

Seniors may believe that not knowing all the other graduates will be awkward or appear less meaningful, but it is the furthest thing from the truth. Whether in different households, co-ops, cities, or states, every graduating senior and every parent involved are essentially on the same journey—that journey is the journey to complete what you started. These students have so much in common and will naturally appreciate and respect one another. Most importantly, you can share your special moment with your friends and family.

We hope every student will meet a friend or two or three...

IF THE LORD WILL, WE SHALL LIVE, AND DO THIS, OR THAT. JAMES 4:15