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Mr. Greg C. Hatzis, Headmaster

April 7, 2017

Dear Parents/Guardians of Seniors:

It is with both excitement and a bit of sorrow that I share with you some preliminary information about graduation and the end-of-year events at FLHS. I have really enjoyed meeting your sons and daughters, and while it is sad to see them leave us, I know they are well prepared and excited to take on new adventures. As we get closer to graduation, we will share even more specific information, but there are important details you need to be aware of now.

Graduation date: **Thursday, June 15, 2017**
Time: 6:00 p.m.
Duration: 75 minutes (approximately)
Location: Taft Field (FLHS stadium)
Rain location: FLHS gymnasiums and auditorium

Expense: **\$36.00** (Cap and gown with tie for boys and necklace for girls.) A notice will be distributed in homerooms regarding the collection period (April 24 through May 12). The cost increases to **\$40.00** if payment is received after the due date of Friday, May 12. Parents or students requesting financial assistance for senior expenses should contact their school counselor by May 5.

Tickets: **SIX tickets per family for an outdoor or indoor ceremony**

Please note: A ticket is required for admission to our graduation ceremony whether it's held outside or inside. If you need additional tickets for the ceremony, please inquire with other families who may have extras. Please do not call the school for additional tickets, as we do not have spare tickets available. We will have more information about tickets in the next letter.

Photographs: A professional photo of each graduate will be taken at the ceremony and made available for your purchase a few days after graduation. You will be contacted directly by the company. This service is provided by an approved, independent contractor and unaffiliated with Fairfield Public Schools. Information will be available on the website in the graduation folder.

Senior Exams: For senior students not participating in the internship program, exams will be administered on June 5, 7, 8, 9, 12 and 13. The last day for senior classes will be June 9. Seniors will finish exams a day earlier than the rest of the school. A schedule will be shared with students and posted online.

Internships: Students participating in an internship will begin that experience on Wednesday, May 24. All exams (if applicable) will be taken prior to that date as arranged by their teachers. Students must fulfill all required components of the internship which will end on June 13. All obligations (described below) must be met prior to leaving for the internship in order to

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participate in graduation. A reception for internship participants will be held on **June 14 at 9:00 a.m.** in the courtyard and Larsen auditorium.

Yearbooks: Online sales via the Jostens website are now closed, but it isn't too late to purchase. If you would like a copy, please submit a check made payable to FLHS in the amount of \$80 with your senior's name and home room in the memo line. Please enclose checks in an envelope to Regina Krieger's attention. They can be dropped off in the Main Office or the LMC at your earliest convenience.

Obligations: All textbook, library, athletic, and music obligations must be met before graduates are able to participate in the graduation ceremony. Students will receive notification of their obligations in school. They can access their textbook and library obligations any time at <https://fairfieldllc.follettdestiny.com/>. First, select FLHS, then, log on. (Username is the same as their Network username, and password is their six-digit ID number.) Close to the graduation date, if obligations have not been met, letters will be mailed home apprising parents of their child's responsibilities. Caps and gowns and tickets will be withheld until obligations are met.

Other Senior Events: Senior Prom: **Saturday, May 20**, Trumbull Marriott, 7:00 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. Students must be in school on Friday, May 19 for more than half the day in order to attend the prom.

Awards and Scholarship Night: Wednesday, June 14, in Larsen Auditorium; 7:00 p.m. **Students receiving awards will be notified and are expected to attend wearing appropriate attire for an awards ceremony.**

Senior Final Two Days: **Wednesday, June 14:**

9:00 a.m.—Intern Reception. All senior interns report to the auditorium.

10:15 a.m.—**ALL SENIORS** report to the auditorium for an assembly and graduation orientation. We will address final class business and those who have resolved all obligations will receive their cap and gown. **11:30 a.m.**—Senior picnic.

Thursday, June 15:

TIME TBD (approx. 12:00 pm) Graduation Rehearsal: ALL SENIORS should report to **homeroom first**. Rehearsal will last about 2 hours. Students will receive one set of six tickets per family after the rehearsal is over.

5:00 p.m.—Students will report to **homeroom**.

6:00 p.m.—The graduation ceremony will begin.

As stated above, you will receive another letter in May addressing arrangements for the evening, events leading up to it, and if need be, your child's unresolved obligations.

Please keep this letter for reference as the details above will not be repeated in our next letter.

This is an exciting time for our graduates and their families. We look forward to celebrating the class of 2017 and their accomplishments.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Greg C. Hatzis".

Greg C. Hatzis
Headmaster

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