



Mills E. Godwin  
High School  
Senior Calendar  
2012

## UPDATE (see June 4th)

January 5, 2012

Dear Parents and Seniors,

Congratulations! The culmination of thirteen years' hard work and dedication will be realized for you and your senior on June 14, 2012. In preparation for graduation and the senior events preceding it, there are a few items of which you should be aware. Prior to graduation, you are invited to attend two memorable ceremonies designed to honor and recognize seniors.

The first of these ceremonies is the Senior Awards Assembly which will be held on June 4 at 1:30 PM. in the gymnasium. It is at this time the governor's medallions and department awards will be bestowed.

Baccalaureate, the second celebratory gathering for seniors and their parents, will be held on Sunday, June 10 at 4:00 p.m. Setting the tone for graduation, this event will focus on the music and memories of the senior class. While attendance to this event is not mandatory, it is expected; the PTSA along with many students and parents have worked tirelessly to make the 2012 Baccalaureate unforgettable.

Finally, commencement will take place at the Siegel Center on June 14, at 3:00 p.m. In preparation, please be aware of the following Siegel Center policies:

- Only those with tickets will be admitted; this includes infants and small children.
- Noisemakers such as stadium horns, bells and whistles are prohibited.
- Packages, attaché cases, and very large purses will not be allowed into the facility.
- Please be aware of mandatory security screening at the Siegel Center entrance. With this in mind, please arrive in plenty of time; the doors will open no earlier than 2:00 p.m.
- The fire department will not permit standing, sitting or photographing in the aisles or concourse of the Siegel Center. A professional photographer will be on hand to take a picture of each graduate as he/she receives his/her diploma.

We anticipate a safe, orderly, and dignified ceremony, and we appreciate your efforts to assist us in this significant endeavor. We sincerely hope to make this graduation ceremony worthy of the time and efforts of the last thirteen years.

Sincerely,

Ms. Sandy Justice  
Assistant Principal, Class of 2012

Date	Event	Additional Information
May 3-4	Distribution of caps/gowns/announcements	During all lunches in commons
May 7-18	A.P Testing	Various times and locations
May 19	Junior/Senior Prom	8-11 p.m., at GHS, formal attire
May 19	All Night Party by PTSA	11:30p.m.-3a.m., YMCA
May 22-25	SOL Testing	TBA
May 29	Physics Trip	
May 30	Photography Class Slideshow Senior Laptop Collection	All periods in auditorium
May 31	Exam Review Days	All classes
June 1		
June 1	Last instructional Day for Seniors. Exam Exempt Notification for Seniors. Senior Locker Clean Out	
June 4	<b>Graduation Practice , Senior Picture, Senior Picnic &amp; Slideshow, &amp; Senior Awards Assembly– 1:30 PM</b> <b>(All events are required)</b>	<b>Graduation attire</b>
June 5-8	June 5 Gov't and World Languages Senior Ex-ams June 6– English and Science June 7– Math and Business/ Electives June 8– Retakes and Electives	8:45-10:30 11:00-12:40
June 7-8	Grad/Bacc. Ticket Distribution in commons –obligations must be cleared before tickets are given to the student	1:00-2:30 p.m. (June 7th) 9:30-11:00a.m. (June 8th)
June 8	Senior Elective Exams and any Retakes (must be scheduled with teacher)	8:45-10:30
June 10	Baccalaureate	4:00 p.m.(arrive by 3:30) in audi- torium and gym, graduation attire, no mortarboard
June 14	Graduation Practice (required)	9:00 a.m. in auditorium, school attire
June 14	Commencement	Arrive at VCU Siegel Center by 2:15 p.m., graduation attire 3:00 p.m. Ceremony begins

### ***Graduation Attire***

Gentlemen will wear white shirts and ties as well as black slacks, black socks, and black shoes whenever gowns are worn. Jeans, khakis, sneakers and sandals are not permitted. Likewise, ladies will wear white dresses or white skirt and blouse with white shoes. Flip-flops, tennis shoes or floppy sandals are not permitted. In keeping with the dignity of these ceremonies, only approved school-awarded regalia such as honor cords may be worn with the cap and gown. Those students who do not follow the dress requirements as specified will not be allowed to participate in the Senior Honors Assembly, Baccalaureate, or Commencement.

### ***Tassels***

All students will receive a red and white tassel in their gown package. Students with a GPA of 3.5 and above will have the opportunity to purchase a gold tassel for \$8.00 or trade the red and white tassel for a gold tassel on May 5th or 6th during cap and gown distribution. If you choose to purchase the gold tassel, checks need to be made payable to Jostens.

### ***Tickets***

Each graduate will receive four (4) Baccalaureate tickets and ten (10) Commencement tickets. However, no tickets will be released until all obligations have been cleared (this includes books, uniforms, café account, fundraising, etc.). A limited number of extra graduation tickets may be requested in the main office. A parent note is required to request these tickets.

### ***Cell Phones/Electronic Devices***

It is requested that students do not bring cell phones or electronic devices to the Siegel Center. If a student chooses to bring any, please have it labeled with the student's name and home phone number as they will be collected at the entrance door.

### ***Parking***

Each student will receive one (1) parking pass and only cars with these Godwin parking passes will be permitted in the Siegel Center decks; there will be no paid parking available in the decks. A limited number of additional parking passes may be available for purchase at the time of ticket distribution for \$5. There is handicapped parking and seating at the Siegel Center.

### ***Pictures***

The Strawbridge Studios will photograph all seniors as they receive their diplomas. Information on how to view your proof and make purchases will be available two weeks prior to graduation.