

# John W. North High School Cap and Gown Dress Code 2019

Seniors must dress appropriately in professional attire in order to participate in Baccalaureate and the Commencement Ceremony!!



## General Recommendations

- Commencement is a formal ceremony. Please dress in a classy, dignified and professional manner (i.e., Senior Exhibition)
  - Your gown may be wrinkled out of the package. Do not use an iron on your gown!! Hang in bathroom while showering.
  - Wear your cap in a fitted fashion on top of your head (not tilted backwards!). The point faces forward and should fit firmly on your forehead. Bring bobby pins if you are worried about it slipping off.
  - Wear your tassel to the right. You will move it to the left upon being accepted as a class at Commencement.
  - Wrap your tassel tightly around the button on the top of your cap to avoid it falling off. There are no extra tassels!!
  - **You will receive a graduation class medallion the night of Commencement. ~ wear proudly!!**
  - Additional medallions, stoles, cords, tassels may be worn at Baccalaureate, but will not be allowed at Commencement.
- Exceptions: AVID, CSF, EAOP, Heritage, International Baccalaureate, Legacy, National Honor Society, Partnership Academies, State Seal of Biliiteracy/Multiliteracy ~ recognition of these programs will be allowed at both Baccalaureate and Commencement.**

## Acceptable for Ladies - Senior Exhibition Attire!!

- Cap, gown, tassel
- Dress no shorter than 3" above knee or dressy pantsuit. No rompers or dressy shorts allowed.
- Skirt and blouse or slacks
- **FLAT, FAT HEELED dress shoes at Commencement Ceremony.** Heels o.k. at Baccalaureate.
- **NO HIGH SPIKED HEELS, TENNIS SHOES, FLIP FLOPS! DRESSY SANDALS MUST HAVE BACK STRAP!**
- Modest jewelry

## Acceptable for Gentlemen - Senior Exhibition Attire!!

- Cap, gown, tassel
- Dress shirt with collar and tie (mandatory!) **ALL GENTLEMEN MUST WEAR A TIE!!**
- Coat optional
- Dress pants (cords, cotton or wool blends o.k.)
- Dress shoes - **NO TENNIS SHOES, FLIP FLOPS, SANDALS!**

**Medallions, stoles, cords, tassels allowed to be worn at events:**

### Baccalaureate

All items below + JWN & outside organizations

### Commencement

AVID, CSF, EAOP, Heritage, I.B., Legacy, Military, NHS, Partnership Academies, State Seal of Biliiteracy/Multiliteracy

## NOT ACCEPTABLE!!

- **NO** denim of any color!
- **NO** leggings
- **NO** spaghetti straps, tank tops, tube tops, halter tops, cropped tops
- **NO** dresses, skirts shorter than 3" above knee, rompers, dressy shorts
- **NO** shorts, sweats, jeans
- **NO** tennis shoes, flip flops, sandals, toms
- **NO** purses, keys, cameras, sunglasses, cell phones - leave everything in your pocket or with your parents or in the car!!
- **NO** flowers, leis, pins, etc. on the outside of your gown and/or cap. **Gowns and caps cannot be altered in any way!!**
- **NO** medallions, stoles, cords, tassels from organizations other than the following academic organizations and programs will be allowed at Commencement: **AVID, CSF, EAOP, Heritage, International Baccalaureate, Legacy, Military, National Honor Society, Partnership Academies, and State Seal of Biliiteracy/Multiliteracy.** Additional items may be worn with the cap and gown at Baccalaureate, however. ©

You may keep your cap, gown, tassel, medallion, diploma cover and diploma following the Commencement Ceremony!!  
*Please contact Miss Porter at [rporter@rusd.k12.ca.us](mailto:rporter@rusd.k12.ca.us) if you have any questions!!*

### **Reminder to families!!**

**Thank-you for not bringing air horns and balloons in to the stadium at Commencement!**

### **Join Senior Remind!**

Text: 81010 @jwnsrs2019  
Receive updates & info regarding Graduation.  
Text Miss Porter if you or your parents have any questions!