To: Senior Class of 2017

Subject: Graduation Information

Senior Class,

Congratulations! High School Graduation is right around the corner. What an accomplishment! This letter has very important information regarding this historic occasion. Graduation is scheduled for Monday, June 5th, at 7:00 PM. It will take place at the Ed & Rae Schollmaier Arena on the campus of TCU located at 3005 Stadium Dr., Ft. Worth, Texas 76109,

Our mission is to provide each of you and your families a wonderful memory of High School Graduation. In order to accomplish this, we need everyone’s assistance with the following items:

**Seating:**
- Seating is general admission, first come-first served seating. The doors to the Arena will open at 6:00 p.m. There will not be any access to seating prior to 6:00.

**Proper Attire for the Official Ceremony:**
- No flip flops, athletic shoes, or house shoes will be permitted to be worn by graduates during the ceremony.
- Jeans, sweats, wind pants, shorts, or tee shirts are not appropriate.
- Males will need to be in a collared shirt, dress pants, and dress shoes or boots.
- Females should wear a dress or slacks and dress shoes or nice boots.
- Mortar boards (Graduation caps) **shall not** be decorated.

**Graduation Practice and Ceremony:**
- In order to provide more parking for attendees, we will be transporting ALL graduates by bus to the ceremony from CHS. Graduates MUST ride the bus in order to participate.
- Graduates should report to the front parking lot at CHS (off Hurst Road) by 3:00. Everyone will then board school buses to travel to TCU. Buses will depart by 3:30.
- Practice will begin upon arrival to the facility.
- A light snack (crackers and water) will be provided to the graduates while at the TCU, prior to the ceremony.
- Make sure you have your cap and tassel, gown, and any cords or stoles you are permitted to wear. These will be distributed the week prior to graduation.
• No cell phones will be permitted. Please leave them with your family.
• There is no place at TCU to store purses, bags, etc. Those should be left in your car or with a family member.
• It is a good idea to have a family member present at CHS when you arrive in your car. That person can take possession of your car key and phone if you are wearing an outfit without pockets.
• *Any behavior that detracts from the ceremony will be dealt with immediately and removal from the ceremony will be the result of such behavior. This would be embarrassing for all involved.*
• Diplomas will be distributed as the ceremony ends and the graduates are on their way out of the building.
• Upon completion of the ceremony, graduates will exit the building. You will be able to either load back on a bus for a return trip to CHS or you will be free to leave with your family.

Please remember, the graduation ceremony is meant to be conducted with dignity and, while celebration is appropriate and expected, such displays should be in accordance with accepted community standards. We look forward to celebrating this momentous occasion with the Class of 2017!