

GRADUATION INFORMATION 2022

IMPORTANT DATES TO KNOW:

Thursday, May 5	Cap and gown pass out during lunches in the commons
Sunday, May 15	Baccalaureate- First United Methodist Church Killeen ; 3:00pm 3501 E. Elms Rd. (Students need to report no later than 2:30 in their cap and gown)
Monday, May 16	Senior Panoramic in the big gym; 8:45am (caps and gowns needed for picture)
Thursday, May 26	Graduation Practice at EHS; 10:00am
Thursday, May 26	Graduation Ticket pick-up; must be picked up by the student. Also remember your graduation agreement is due at this time.
Saturday, May 28	Graduation –2:00p.m.. Bell County Expo Center Graduates need to be there by noon. (Please note that Temple HS graduates before us at 10am. Traffic will be an issue, so please give yourself plenty of time for travel and parking)

You must have a picture ID to enter the line-up area at graduation; do not bring any other items in with you (i.e.: camera, purse, etc.).

If you select not to participate in graduation, you may receive your diploma from the registrar's office by presenting in person, a photo ID any time after May 31, 2022.

GRADUATION

Saturday, May 28, 2022

2:00p.m.

Bell County EXPO Center

- Students must bring student I.D. in order to receive their diploma.
 - Seniors in danger of failing a class or classes required for graduation will be contacted by their counselor. Seniors who are uncertain about their credit status should see their counselor if she/he has not contacted you. All **finances, including library fines**, must be cleared by May 25, 2022. All **lost books** must be paid for by this date also.
 - **New Graduation Requirement Beginning in 2021-2022**, each student must do one of the following in order to graduate: • complete and submit a free application for federal student aid (FAFSA) • complete and submit a Texas application for state financial aid (TASFA) • submit a signed opt-out form
1. Students may begin to enter the Assembly Hall at noon. The Assembly Hall is on the east side of the EXPO Center (301 W. Loop 121, Belton). Pick up your name card from the entrance table. Line up will begin inside. **Do not wear your cap and gown until after you enter the line up area.**
 2. No carried items (including purses, camera bags, AND CELL PHONES) will be allowed in the line up area. Girls should leave purses with parents. No one will be permitted to leave the line up area after putting on his/her cap and gown. No one, other than seniors, may enter the Assembly Hall. **Anyone who appears to be under the influence of alcohol or other substances may be removed from the line and will not be allowed to participate in the graduation ceremony.**
 3. **Parents and friends will not be allowed on the bottom floor of the arena. Please make arrangements to meet your family and friends outside after the ceremony has concluded. Cameras and video cameras are welcome but will not be permitted on the arena floor.**

4. **REMINDERS: DO NOT DECORATE OR ATTACH ANYTHING TO YOUR CAP.** Girls, dress shoes with moderate to low heel are strongly suggested (for your safety going up and down many steps). No gum, no jeans, no tennis shoes, no flip flops, no flowers, which includes leis and corsages. **TASSELS SHOULD BE WORN ON THE RIGHT SIDE OF THE CAP AND CAPS SHOULD BE PARALLEL TO THE FLOOR. WE STRONGLY SUGGEST THAT YOU WEAR CHURCH TYPE CLOTHING TO GRADUATION, WITH DARK SHOES.**
5. Only school approved cords and stoles may be worn. If you have any questions about cords or stoles, stop by Student Activities.
6. GRADUATION, or the commencement exercise, **is a privilege and not a right.** This is a formal ceremony. Please act in a dignified manner. Anyone under the influence of drugs and/or alcohol will not be allowed to participate. **NO YELLING OUT, IMMATURE PRANKS OR ANY OTHER DISTRACTING BEHAVIOR WILL BE TOLERATED. (NO AIR HORNS, COW BELLS OR OTHER NOISE MAKING DEVICES).** Please remind guests to behave appropriately for the safety of all involved. Bags and other items will be checked as guests come into the Bell Count Expo.
7. The photographer will take a picture of you as you receive your diploma cover. This proof will be sent to you sometime in June or July at which time you may decide to place an order with *Flash Photography* 214-443-9393.

Graduation will be shown on the World Wide Web at
<http://www.gradcast.org> and www.killeenisd.org/livetv

IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

Seniors must conduct themselves properly at all times, in keeping with the seriousness and dignity of the occasion, so the graduation ceremony will be meaningful to everyone in attendance. If a student engages in inappropriate behavior at any time during the graduation ceremony, he/she will not be allowed to continue as a participant in the ceremony and will not receive his/her diploma at graduation; it will be mailed home. Examples of inappropriate behavior include, but are not limited to: personal celebrations on the stage, any loud or disruptive behavior during the ceremony, inappropriate dress or grooming, or failure to follow directions of graduation or school officials.

**ALL SENIOR INFORMATION WILL BE
POSTED ONLINE! PLEASE CHECK IT
OFTEN FOR UPDATES!**

www.ellisonhs.org and the
Student Activities Schoology course