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# *Welcome Class of 2024*

The Treasure Coast High School family extends a warm welcome to each of you as you continue with the final year of your high school career. We want you to experience a memorable year and we are very excited to assist in making this a successful year as many exciting activities are being planned for you. This handbook is provided to keep you up to date with events, deadlines, and pending fees.

Seniors are the best part of our Treasure Coast family! It is important that we all build strong relationships and memories by participating in planned activities. As school leaders, we expect you to set an example, stay motivated and most of all have a memorable final year, filled with fun school spirited activities.

Please know that as your class sponsors, we are here to help you. Feel free to stop by (at an appropriate time), email, or leave a note for either of us if you are in need of assistance. We are here for you!

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# Senior Communication

All communication this year will take place on the TCHS Class of 2024 page in Microsoft Teams. Please make sure you have the Microsoft Teams application (App) downloaded on your phone to receive immediate updates.

## Graduation Requirements

- 24 Core Credits for Standard Diploma
  - 4 English Credits
  - 4 Math Credits – must include Algebra 1 and Geometry
  - 3 History Credits – World History, American History, American Government/ Economics with Financial Literacy
  - 3 Science Credits – must include Biology
  - HOPE class
  - 1 Performing Arts Credit
  - 8 Elective Credits
- Must pass FSA Reading Exam or have a passing concordant score for ELA (ACT or SAT)
- Must pass Algebra 1/Geometry EOC Exam or have a PSAT/SAT/ACT Math passing Concordant Score

### Scholarship Information:

[www.floridashines.org](http://www.floridashines.org)

[www.irscfoundation.org](http://www.irscfoundation.org)

[www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov)

[www.educationfoundationstlucie.org](http://www.educationfoundationstlucie.org)

Bright Futures Scholarship: [www.floridastudentfinancialaid.org](http://www.floridastudentfinancialaid.org)

# Senior Fees for the Class of 2024

**Senior fees** cover the following: diploma, embossed diploma cover, graduation tickets, graduation program, senior pin, senior pinning ceremony, senior pinning program, senior awards, senior t-shirt, senior field day, and senior award program.

**Senior fees for the 2023-2024 school year are \$50.00 per student.**

The payment for senior fees will be collected by Treasure Coast High School Senior Class Sponsors.

## **Payment Options**

1. School Pay via credit card <https://www.schoolpay.com/>. Student's 56 number is needed to access this payment option.



## **REFUND POLICY**

*If you have paid your graduation fees and do not graduate in 2024, but you return to Treasure Coast High School in the fall of 2024-2025 school year as a 2<sup>nd</sup> year Senior, the Senior fee for the Class of 2025 will be waived.*

*If you do not graduate in May of 2024 and do not return to Treasure Coast High School, NO refund will be issued.*

## **REQUIREMENTS FOR ATTENDING SENIOR ACTIVITIES**

### **Seniors must:**

- 1. HAVE A GOOD ATTENDANCE RECORD.**
  - A. Excessive absences may result in you NOT being allowed to participate in Senior Activities. **No more than four (4) unexcused absences per quarter.** Absent notes **MUST** be turned in a timely manner for excused absences.
  - B. Special circumstances will be addressed and considered on an individual basis.
  - C. Remember that all notes for absences need to be turned into the attendance office **within 3 days of the absence.** The note should include first and last name, and student identification number. (56...)
- 2. Be a Senior of Record (17 or more COMPLETED credits, 2.0 unweighted GPA)**
  - A. School records must verify you are classified as a senior, (at the beginning of the year for first semester activities, at the beginning of second semester for second semester activities) and will graduate in May of 2023.
- 3. HAVE A GOOD DISCIPLINE RECORD**
  - A. Subject to approval by administration, the deans, and the senior sponsors. **No level 3 offenses or higher.**

#### **4. TURN IN CORRECTLY COMPLETED and SIGNED PERMISSION FORMS BY THE SPECIFIED DATE**

- A. **THE ONLY ACCEPTABLE SIGNATURE** for parent/guardian permission for participation in a Senior Trip/Activity is the signature of the Parent or Guardian unless a senior has filed Emancipation Papers with the Attendance Office.

#### **5. SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS**

- A. **ALL FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS MUST BE PAID IN FULL TO PARTICIPATE IN ALL SENIOR ACTIVITIES.**

At Treasure Coast High School, it is expected that ALL students will be on their best behavior at all senior activities. **Seniors who do not follow the rules at any of the senior activities will NOT be permitted to attend other senior functions.** You may also be subject to a discipline referral, along with disciplinary action.

### **SENIOR PINNING CEREMONY**

The Senior Pinning Ceremony will be held in the gymnasium. The entrance is located behind TCHS.

**The date and time for the Senior Pinning Ceremony is TBD.**

**Senior Pinning Requirements:** Students enrolled at TCHS prior to ceremony date and have a minimum GPA of 2.0 and have earned 21/24 credits (Standard Diploma) or have earned 15/18 credits (ACCEL Diploma).

**Dress code:** Seniors should dress professionally in shirt, tie, dress pants, dress socks, dress shoes OR appropriate length dresses, dress pants and a blouse, skirt and a blouse, dress shoes with backs (skirts and dresses should be no more than one inch above the knee). **No sneakers or jeans for anyone.**

### **Cap/Gown for Graduation**

**The cost of Cap/Gown are NOT included with Treasure Coast High's Senior Fees. These items are all purchased through Herff Jones Orlando.**

**The deadline for Cap and Gown online orders will be April 30, 2024. After May 1<sup>st</sup>, Cap and Gowns can only be purchased during the first Graduation Practice, cost \$70.00 cash.**

#### **Measurement for Graduation Cap and Gown**

The ordering of your cap and gown for graduation will be taken by Herff Jones.

Prices for the class of 2024 - Caps and Gown will be \$50.00 payable to Herff Jones through their online website until December 31<sup>st</sup>. The price will increase to \$70.00 on January 1<sup>st</sup>.

Order online at [www.herffforlando.com](http://www.herffforlando.com).

Create a student account and continue your ordering.

### **Graduation Announcements and Fine Paper Products**

The cost of announcements varies depending upon the item(s) you choose to purchase and the quantity. A deposit for your announcement order will need to be paid when you place your order. The amount of the required deposit will be given to you in the meeting with Herff Jones. If you pay by check, **MAKE THE CHECK PAYABLE TO HERFF JONES.**

# **GRADUATION-May ?**

To graduate in 2024, you are **REQUIRED** to attend the two (2) rehearsals that will guide you through the Graduation Ceremony activities. One of these practices will be held at TCHS in the Auditorium, *along with gown pickup*, and the second practice will be held at TCHS Gymnasium for a full graduation rehearsal.

## **PRACTICE DATES:**

**TBD**  
**TBD**

**9:00 AM- Location TBD**

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**IF YOU PLAN TO WALK FOR GRADUATION YOU MUST ATTEND BOTH PRACTICES!!!!**

***ASK FOR TIME OFF FROM WORK NOW!!!!!! NO EXCEPTIONS!!!***

## ***Graduation –May ?? at Lawnwood Stadium***

*Graduates must arrive fully dressed in cap/gown by 7:00 am*

### **Required dress code for graduation**

#### **Dresses or skirts/blouses:**

do not let your dress show below the hem of your gown. If stockings are worn, they should be flesh colored.

#### **Dress pants:**

Dress pants must be black with a darker solid color dress shirt. You must wear black shoes with dark colored socks.

#### **Shoes:**

**Dress shoes must be all black.** **Thong type shoes (any type of flip flop) and tennis shoes/sneakers are not allowed.** This is a safety issue for your protection as you are going up and down the stairs of a stage and to protect the formality of the event.

### **PICKING UP YOUR CAP, GOWN, & TICKETS FOR GRADUATION**

***Your CAP and GOWN may be picked up during our first mandatory practice.***

Before your cap and gown can be issued to you, all obligations...Dual Enrollment books, library fines, parking fines, athletics, activity money, and any other outstanding obligation with St. Lucie County Schools...must be cleared. Senior Fees must also be paid.

Please note the following;

**If you have morning senior privileges, you are still required to make arrangements to be at the senior meetings.**

**Senior updates will be sent via Teams.**

**It is the responsibility of all seniors to check with the sponsors and to look on the school website and the Class of 2024 Teams Page for updates.**

**\*All dates, times, prices, and events are subject to change.**

## **APPENDIX A**

### **GPA based Honor Cord Requirements**

Based on classes from 9<sup>th</sup> grade to the end of 1<sup>st</sup> Semester in 12<sup>th</sup> grade, students who qualify for an Academic Honor Cord will receive an invitation to participate in the Senior Awards Ceremony.

#### **Graduating with High Honors – Gold**

Students must have a 3.8 or higher Weighted Overall GPA

Cost of Cord- \$8.00 and purchased through senior sponsors- Ms. Homer & Mrs. Goodwien.

#### **Graduating with Honors – Silver**

Students must have a 3.0 – 3.799 Weighted Overall GPA

Cost of Cord- \$8.00 and purchased through senior sponsors- Ms. Homer & Mrs. Goodwien

#### **Graduating with AA Degree- Gold, Black, Royal Blue**

Cost of Cord- \$10 and purchased through Director of School Counseling- Ms. Sommer

### **Nationally Recognized Honor Societies**

Students must meet the specific requirements for the Honor Society and be recommended by the Honor Society Teacher Sponsor

#### **French Honor Society – Red, White, & Blue- Mrs. Gauthier**

- **Academic requirements**
  - GPA (A- in French and B+ overall) Current enrollment in a level 2, 3, or AICE language/AICE literature French course
- **Membership requirements**
  - The student must attend bi-monthly meetings.
  - The student must complete the required service hours and group volunteer efforts.



- Cost of Cord- \$10.00

#### **National Honor Society – Blue & Yellow- Mr. Curatolo**

- **Academic requirements**
  - 4.0 & above Weighted GPA
- **Membership requirements**
  - The student must complete required service hours and group volunteer efforts.
  - The student must display outstanding character, service to the community, and have meaningful leadership experience.
  - Must attend Honor Society meetings.
- Cost of Cord- \$8.00

#### **Spanish Honor Society – Maroon & Gold- Mrs. Garcia**

- **Academic requirements**
  - 3.0 & above Weighted GPA
- **Membership requirements**
  - The student must complete the 50 required volunteer hours.
  - The students must have at least 70% attendance record for meetings.
- Cost of Cord- \$8.00

#### **National Technical Honor Society – Purple & Silver - Ms. Choppa**

- **Academic requirements**
  - 3.0 & above Weighted GPA
  - All A's and B's in career/technical courses attempted while in high school. (Possible waiver for one course that is less than a B)
  - Industry Certification completion
- **Membership requirements**
  - Working towards 100 volunteer hours
  - Member of a Career and Technical Student Organization (FBLA, DECA)
  - Active involvement in Leadership in Academy, student government, CTSO, civic or service organization(s)
- Cost of Cord - \$8.00

#### **International Thespian Society - Blue & Gold - Ms. Posso**


- **Academic Requirements**
  - Students need 10 thespian points (the equivalent of 100 hours of Thespian Related Work)
  - Maintain good standing with the theatre program to be considered for induction.
- Cost of Cord - \$8.00

#### **Psychology Honor Society – Garnet & Gold – Mr. Bracken**

- **Academic Requirements**
  - 3.0 in a psychology classes

- **Membership Requirements**
  - must have 80% attendance for the club meetings
- Cost of Cord - \$8.00

## **Academy Honor Cords:**

- Students must have at least a 3.0 weighted overall GPA
- Have completed at least 3 sequential courses in that academy content area
  - (Ex. Level 1, 2, & 3 or Level 1, 2, & AICE, or Level 2, 3, 4)
-  Have an average GPA of 3.0 weighted in those three academy content courses
  - **AND** meet any additional requirements listed below:

<u><b>Academy</b></u>	<u><b>Teacher</b></u>	<u><b>Additional Requirements</b></u>	<u><b>Cord Color</b></u>	<u><b>Cord Cost</b></u>
AA Degree	Ms. Sommer		Black, Gold, Royal Blue	\$10
AICE	Mr. Wile (AICE Coordinator)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Students must have earned their diploma or is a diploma candidate.</li> </ul>	White	\$8.00
Band	Mr. Ingram		Black	\$8.00
Dance	Ms. Salo		Fuchsia Pink	\$8.00
Drama	Ms. Posso		Ivory	\$8.00
Drawing	Ms. Bass		Yellow	\$8.00
Photography	Ms. Stark	Creative Photography 1, Yearbook	Teal	\$8.00
JROTC	Col. Golden		Blue & Silver	Provided by ROTC

## **Certification Cords:**

- Students must pass certification required for the course

<u><b>Academy</b></u>	<u><b>Teacher</b></u>	<u><b>Cord Color</b></u>	<u><b>Cord Cost</b></u>
Medical	Mr. Bartkowiak and Mrs. Loupe	Pink	\$8.00
Biotechnology	Mr. Williams	Silver & Green	\$8.00
Culinary Arts	Chef Lauricella and Chef Cruz	Maroon	\$8.00
Criminal Justice	Ms. Cline	Purple	\$8.00
Digital Arts	Ms. Babkie	Navy Blue	\$8.00
International Business	Ms. Choppa	Brown	\$8.00
Digital Media/ Multi-Media	Mr. Morano	Red	\$8.00
Pre- Engineering/ Manufacturing	Mr. DePuy	Orange	\$8.00

<b>Digital Technology</b>	<b>Mr. Morano and Mr. Buring</b>	<b>Sage Green</b>	<b>\$8.00</b>
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**Seniors will be responsible for purchasing cords through the teacher they earned the cord from. Honor and High Honors cords will be purchased through the senior sponsors.**