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May 2015

Dear OTHS Parent/Guardian:

The 2015 prom season is upon us, and the classes are hard at work to make sure these proms are memorable. As well, the Post Prom Party committee has devoted much time, money, and efforts into planning a fun yet safe event for our seniors following prom. I urge you to support them in this endeavor. Now more than ever, we, as the adults must set restrictions, parameters, and guidelines for the students and protect them from the poor decision making of adolescence. Please join Chief of Police, Steven Peters, and me in encouraging your student to exercise self-control and self-respect during this prom season.

Although prom night and graduation are times of great celebration for most teens, they are also the time of year when teens are more likely to consume alcohol and drugs. Teens are at far greater risk of death in an alcohol related crash than the overall population, despite the fact that they are below the minimum drinking age in every state. Adults who provide alcohol/drugs to students are breaking the law, putting the life and safety of our young people in jeopardy, and will be held legally responsible. Do not be pressured by your student to think that there is an "acceptable use policy" regarding alcohol. Underage possession, use, and consumption of drugs and/or alcohol is illegal.

Students found to be involved with drugs or alcohol during either of the proms will be suspended from school and suspended from sports and activities pending a thorough clinical evaluation and Student in Good Standing Hearing. Depending on the details of the offense, a senior could be denied participation in all commencement activities including "walking at graduation." Furthermore, distribution or involvement with any Controlled Dangerous Substance (CDS), such as marijuana, heroin or cocaine may lead to a recommendation for a long term suspension. In addition to these school sanctions, any student involved with drugs/or and alcohol could face police charges.

Individuals who are under the influence of alcohol/drugs make poor decisions. Please advise your child that it is imperative for them to maintain their self-respect. Let us join together to support, encourage, and empower our young people with the ability to make the right choices. If they do so, I know their prom night will be filled with spectacular memories that will last a lifetime.

Sincerely,

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Kelly E. Weldon Principal OTHS

Steven R. Peters Chief OTPD

EVENT SCHEDULE					
Event	Date	Time	Location		
Junior Prom	May 16	7:00PM - 10:30PM	Township of Ocean Intermediate School		
Senior Prom	June 4	7:00PM – 11:00PM	Addison Park, Aberdeen		
Post Prom Party (PPP)	June 5	12:00 midnight – 4:30AM	Saint George Greek Orthodox Church, West Park Avenue		





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Dear Parent or Guardian:

At Ocean Township High School, we take pride in the fact that our graduation is a meaningful and dignified ceremony, which recognizes and honors the achievements of our senior students. In order to insure that graduation, which will take place on Monday, June 22, 2015 at 4:30 p.m., remains a very special occasion for everyone involved, the following dress code and ceremony rules have been developed.

DRESS CODE:

<u>Boys</u>

- 1. Dress shirt and tie
- 2. Dress shoes and socks
- 3. Dress trousers
- 4. Caps and gowns (red)

<u>Girls</u>

- 1. A light colored dress
- 2. Dress shoes (dress sandals)
- 3. Caps and gowns (white)

Jeans, cut-offs, sandals, sweaters, and messages made with tape on cap or gown are unacceptable for the graduation ceremony.

CEREMONY RULES:

- Students whose appearance, speech, or behavior, indicate that they are under the influence of alcohol or other illegal drugs will not be permitted to participate in the ceremony.
- All participants must conduct themselves in an orderly manner during the ceremony.

We hope that all seniors will adhere to the stated rules. However, if your son/ daughter cannot abide by these conditions, we request that he/she indicate that he/she will not participate in graduation. The high school administration should be notified of this decision by Friday, May 22, 2015.

Please complete the form on the following page, and also pay particularly close attention to the attached Class of 2015 senior events and graduation day agenda. This will answer many questions regarding our end of the school year events and enable your child to have a successful graduation experience.

Very truly yours,

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H. Rusty Todd Director of Athletics & Student Activities/Grades 5-12

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Please complete this form and have your son/daughter return it to his/her homeroom teacher prior to Friday, May 22, 2015.

We, the parents of ______, have read and fully endorse the conditions established by the Board, administration, and staff for the participation of our son / daughter in the graduation ceremony.

We also accept full responsibility for his / her conduct at the ceremony.

Signature of Parent /Guardian

HOMEROOM TEACHER – PLEASE RETURN THESE FORMS TO THE ATHLETICS & STUDENT ACTIVITIES OFFICE





CLASS OF 2015 SENIOR EVENTS/GRADUATION DAY AGENDA

SENIOR PROM June 4, 2015 (Thursday)	Place: Time: Cost:	Addison Park, Aberdeen 7:00 – 11:00 p.m. (Must arrive by 8:00 p.m.) \$70.00 per person (Make checks payable to Class of 2015)
Post Prom Party June 5, 2015 (Friday)	Place: Time:	 St. George Greek Orthodox Church 1033 West Park Avenue, Oakhurst 12:00 a.m. – 4:30 a.m. Must arrive by 1:00 a.m. No student permitted to leave before 4:30 a.m. At 4:30 a.m., a bus will be available to take students home from the St. George Greek Orthodox Church should they be too tired to drive.
SENIOR-ATHLETIC AWARDS CEREMONY June 9, 2015 (Tuesday)	Place: Time: Cost:	Ocean Township High School 7:00 p.m. \$5.00 Parents/Guests Senior-Athlete: Free (Make checks payable to OTHS Booster Club) Only senior athletes who have participated in a sport during their <u>senior year</u> are invited to attend.
SENIOR PICNIC June 10, 2015 (Wednesday)	Place: Time: Cost:	Ocean Pool Complex 11:35 a.m. – 1:55 p.m. Free (Seniors Only)
CAP, GOWN, SEATING ARRANGEMENTS June 15, 2015 (Monday)	Place: Time:	Distributed in Front of HS Auditorium After First Exam: 9:30 a.m. After Second Exam: 11:45 a.m. Financial Obligations must be paid to receive Cap and Gown.





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GRADUATION TICKETS Picked up with cap and gown June 15, 2015 (Monday)	Outdoor Indoor	 6 Outdoor Tickets (White) Extra tickets for <u>OUTDOOR ONLY</u> can be picked up in the Athletics /Student Activities Office with a note from a parent/guardian. 2 Indoor Gymnasium tickets (Red) 2 Auditorium-Closed Circuit (Blue)
GRADUATION REHEARSAL June 22, 2015 (Monday)	Place: Time:	OTHS Stadium Field 8:00 a.m. SHARP Mandatory attendance – If you do not attend, you will not be permitted to participate in the graduation ceremony
GRADUATION DAY June 22, 2015 (Monday)	Time:	High School parking lot opens at 3:00 p.m. Graduates must meet in E-wing by 4:00 p.m. Procession begins at 4:30 p.m.
DIPLOMA PICK UP June 22, 2015 (Monday)	Place: Time:	OTHS Cafeteria At the conclusion of the ceremony Folder received during graduation ceremony will not contain diploma. Diploma will not be issued to any Senior with financial obligations.

HRT:tpc





15th ANNUAL OTHS GRADUATION BALLOON SALE

Graduation Day Balloons!!!

<u>ONE</u> BUNCH OF BALLOONS includes: 2 Red Balloons, 2 White Balloons and

1 Graduation Mylar Balloon

BALLOONS PRICE

with red and white ribbon **\$12.00** Per bunch *picked up* in the OTHS Cafeteria between 10:00am and Noon

OR

\$15.00 Delivered to graduate's home between 9:00am and Noon Balloons will only be delivered within Ocean Township

AND / OR



\$15 Personalized Graduation plush bear with graduate's first name, schools' initials & graduation year on the bear.

PLEASE ORDER BY: Tuesday, JUNE 9, 2015

QUESTIONS: Contact: Mrs. Minott @ (732) 531-5650, ext. 1050 MAIL TO: Class of 2016, OTHS Attn: Mrs. Minott 550 West Park Ave. Oakhurst, NJ 07755

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: OTHS CLASS OF 2016

DETACH AND	O MAIL WITH PAYMENT
STUDENT' S NAME	DELIVERY ADDRESS: Street: Cross Street: Town:
PHONE #	TAL DOLLAR AMOUNT ENCLOSED \$ CHECK #
	NUAL OTHS BALLOON SALE

THEY PUT IN THE HOURS... GET THEM THE FLOWERS!



Commencement Flowers

For your Graduate!

For Your Convenience, you may purchase NOW by using the link below

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Pick up your flowers at the start of the Graduation Ceremony

You may also purchase flowers the day of graduation.

Orders placed prior to May 28th will benefit Post Prom 2015

Any questions, please contact Noel Worthington

at 732-233-5245

Prices range from \$15 - \$25

OCEAN TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL POST PROM PARTY COMMITTEE SPONSORS GRADUATION PHOTOGRAPHS

Reserve now!! Purchase a professional photograph of your daughter or son as they receive their diploma on Graduation Day, June 22, 2015. This is a post prom fundraiser!

Photographed by: Scott Frederick

FREDERICK GALLERIES 11 Main Street Allenhurst, NJ 07711 732-531-9030

Photographs will be mailed to you in July at the address you indicate below. Any questions, feel free to callScott Frederick at 732-531-9030. Please DO NOT call the school.

This is a separate entity from any video which may be made available.

KEEP THIS TOP HALF FOR YOUR RECORDS

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Please make the check payable to: Scott Frederick

COST:			

DUE: No Later Than May 31, 2015

\$12.00 for 1 5x7 \$20.00 for 2 5x7

MAIL TO: OTHS Post Prom Committee c/o Meryl Glickman 2 Sandy Lane Ocean, NJ 07712

Graduate's Name:

Phone Number:

Mail To:

Street Address:

City:

State:

Zip: