



Mark Keppel High School Agreement to Participate in the 2020 Senior Activities & Graduation Ceremony

Congratulations to soon-to-be graduates!

This is an exciting time for you, your parents, family, and our entire community, as you graduate from Mark Keppel High School and move on to the next adventure of your life. To earn your diploma is a right. To participate in the ceremony is a privilege.

In order that all graduating students and families enjoy these once-in-a-lifetime activities, the undersigned parties agree to the following:

Definitions:

“Expected Student Behavior” means compliance with all School and District policies and State laws regarding student behavior, and, specifically by:

1. maintaining satisfactory school attendance (no excessive tardiness/cutting school)
2. respecting school property (no destruction of, damage to, or defacing school property through “senior pranks” or other acts of vandalism).
3. keeping our school free of drugs – no use, possession, or sales of alcohol, tobacco, or other drugs during school hours or at school activities.
4. not bringing any personal belongings, including cell phones or other electronic devices to the graduation ceremony.
5. being courteous, mature and dignified during the graduation ceremony.

“Graduation Ceremony” is May 29th, 2020, beginning at 6:00 p.m. at ELAC Stadium. Graduates will need to be there at 4:45 p.m.

“Graduation Practice” will be at Mark Keppel High School on May 29th. Students must report to their 1st period class and await further notice.

“Senior Activities” mean all activities in the 4th quarter that celebrate the end of the school year, including, but not limited to dances, assemblies, special events, and the graduation ceremony.

“Senior Deadline” is Thursday, May 28th, 2020, at 8 a.m. when the “official list” of graduates will be posted. This is the last date and time:

1. to meet all academic requirements to be awarded a diploma.
2. to return all school/district property (books, musical instruments, athletic equipment and/or uniforms, ASB/club property, etc.).
3. to pay all debts for lost or damaged school/district property.

Consequences for violation(s) of:

“Expected Student Behavior,” depending on the violation, consequences may include:

1. suspension from school, arrest by police; and/or recommendation for expulsion.
2. not being allowed to participate in Senior activities, including the graduation ceremony.
3. removal from the graduation ceremony.

“Senior Deadline and/or Graduation Practice”

Students who do not meet this deadline may not participate in the graduation ceremony.

Terms of Participation

Each student who complies with the terms of this agreement will participate fully in all student activities and the graduation ceremony.

IF A STUDENT IS DISMISSED FROM PARTICIPATING IN ANY SENIOR ACTIVITY DUE TO A BEHAVIOR ISSUE, MONEY FOR SENIOR EVENTS SUCH AS, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, GRAD NIGHT, PROM, ETC., WIL NOT BE REFUNDED.

Acceptance of definitions, consequences, and terms of participation:

I, the **student**, agree:

1. to wear the cap and gown as selected by MKHS and not to alter or decorate it on any manner that may draw attention to my person and to wear school attire under my cap and gown.
2. to attend the scheduled graduation rehearsal, to be on time, follow the directions given and not leave the rehearsal until dismissed.
3. to be courteous during the entire graduation ceremony and not to call attention to myself nor commit any act that will disrupt the graduation ceremony or cause embarrassment to the graduating class, guests, my family, the School, or the District
4. to comply with “Expected Student Behavior” as listed on the front page.
5. to comply with “Senior Deadline” as listed on the front page.
6. **to return this agreement, signed by a parent, by Monday March 30th, 2020 to the Business and Activities Office or I will be put on the “No Senior Activities List” which means I will not be eligible to participate in any Senior Activities as defined on the front of this agreement, which includes the graduation ceremony.**

The **parent** agrees:

1. to encourage and to expect his /her teenager to act responsibly and to comply with these expectations as defined on the front page.
2. to support the intent of this agreement, which is to ensure a successful completion of high school and to celebrate this success with dignity and joy at the Graduation Ceremony.
3. to not bring anything into the ELAC Stadium graduation viewing area that might hamper the view and/or enjoyment of other spectators at the event. (i.e. noisemakers, flowers, balloons, etc.).
4. to model positive conflict mediation skills for his/her teenager should a disagreement with school officials occur.

The **Administration** agrees:

1. to enforce this agreement and to hold students responsible to the standards, expectations, and consequences defined in this agreement.
2. to work with parents to resolve disagreements in a respectful manner.
3. to treat each student and his/her parent with respect and compassion should participation be denied.

The undersigned agree that the decision of the Principal is final.

(However, the decision of the Principal may be appealed to the District Director of Secondary Education.)

X Student _____ /____/____
(first last name) Signature Date MKHS ID#

X Parent _____ /____/____
(first last name) Signature Date

X Administrator _____ /____/____
(Print) Signature Date