

Graduation Meeting Information

1. Graduation date – June 3, 2023 10 AM Kempsville Christian Church
2. Eligibility - Student must have been homeschooled his/her entire senior year. (Either a notice of intent has been filed or the family has filed under religious exemption). Parents are considered principal/teacher by state law.
3. Forms – Graduation application, affidavit (has to be notarized)
4. Graduation items – online ordering new this year through Balfour
 - A. Regarding rings, there is a standard class ring for \$200 or can create other rings for varying prices however will still have to have TEACH around the stone.
 - B. Every graduate has to have minimum package with cap, gown, tassel, diploma cover
5. Important Dates
 - a. March 1, 2023 – deadline for graduation orders
 - b. April 1, 2023 – bio information for program (see example below) and 3 pictures for slideshow to be sent in for graduation program to graduation@teachhomeschool.com
 - c. May 2, 2023 – estimated date for item pick up; location TBD
 - d. June 2, 2023 – graduation rehearsal at Kempsville Christian Church 6 PM
6. Graduation Day - order of events
 - a. Arrival time 9:15 AM; graduates will wait in hallway leading up to sanctuary area
 - b. Graduates enter with Pomp and Circumstance
 - c. Opening prayer – need parent volunteer
 - d. Commencement speech
 - e. Graduates receive charge from parents, receive diploma and have tassel moved; parents charge can be 2-3 minutes depending on total number of graduates
 - f. Closing prayer – need another parent volunteer
 - g. Graduates exit with Pomp and Circumstance
 - h. Graduates will re-enter to do group picture; graduates not released until do group picture
7. Graduation Attire
 - a. Men- dark dress pants, button down shirt, dark shoes
 - b. Ladies – dresses, skirt, no cleavage, regarding shoes please make sure you are comfortable with walking in to include steps

8. **Bio example** - The past 12 years of schooling have taught me so much and provided me with many unforgettable experiences. These experiences have shaped me into the man I am today, and I am grateful for them. I feel like I have been given the proper tools to tackle the future. I am especially thankful for the role that football and basketball have played in my life. Sports have given me great memories and have introduced me to people who I will never forget. I have had some of the best and hardest times playing sports, but regardless I know I am stronger because of it. I would like to thank all my coaches who pushed my teammates and I to work hard so that we could win championships and have multiple undefeated seasons. I am ready to take on my future challenges at the U.S. Coast Guard Academy where I will be attending college and playing football. I would like to thank my teachers who taught me everything I needed to succeed in school. My parents deserve the greatest thanks for the opportunities and everything they have given me. I have had many successes. I know I didn't do it alone, and I would like to thank everyone who has helped me achieve them.

Micah 6:8 He has told you, O man, what is good; and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?