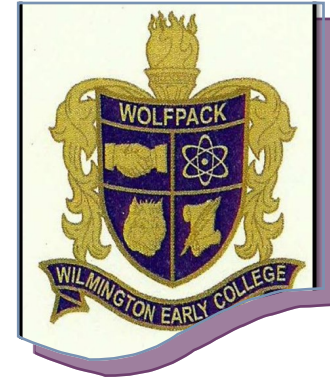


## Graduate Reminders

- Complete Follow-up Card with Mrs. Jordan
- Provide Ms. Jordan with listing of scholarships and award letters (she needs this information for end of year reports).
- Pictures of valedictorians and salutatorians are needed (send them to Ms. Jordan and Ms. Wooten)
- Remain for Group picture (You all will be first one to grace the halls of WECHS)
- Pay Due Bills
- Pay Lunch Bills
- Turn in all Books & Materials
- Are you ready for next year? Do you have Financial Aid Package? Have you accepted your financial aid? Are you registered for Orientation? Have you signed up for Housing? Have you signed up for a meal plan? If you cannot answer all of these questions, contact the school, Mrs. Jordan or Ms. Wooten. We can help you navigate.
- Send "thank you" notes to all who showed your kindness.
- Do you know how to send your CFCC college transcript? If you are earning a degree, diploma or certificate, be sure to select , "AFTER degree is posted."
- Stay in Contact with WECHS! We Care about your SUCCESS and Future!



# New Hanover County Schools Wilmington Early College High School



## Graduation Expectations And Guidelines

*Spring 2016*

**Regina Wooten, Principal**

**Donnie Watkins, Program Coordinator**

**Tanya Jordan, Graduation Coordinator**

## 2016 Graduates

Julissa Batres	NyKia Powell
Marissa Blackman	Arely Ramirez Diaz
Da'Nasia Brunson	Abigail Rogers
Isabelle DeVita	Clara Rourk
Kiyah Dietz	Dominique Russell
Chyna Doughty	Hannah Russell
Lidia Edmonds	Yesenia Santamaria Renteria
Aquil El-Amin	Dulce Santiago Leon
Amber Goodyear	Samuel Scarborough
Zoey Hancock	Mary Strickland
Matthew Harrell	Vanessa Urquilla
Te'ara Harrison	Ashley Vasquez
Jamiah Keith	Emilly Vasquez
Miguel Mendez	Star Villegas Villalobos
TyNaizha Miller	Xyanna White
Taylor O'Brien	
Alexander Perkins	Zhantel Wilson Bishop

- Try a dress rehearsal before the morning of May 28th and fix your hair the best way so that the cap will sit **FLAT!**



### Ceremony

When you enter the auditorium and move to your seat, remain standing. Gentlemen, remove your caps for the National Anthem. Afterwards, caps should be replaced quickly on the head.

### The Tassel

The tassel is always worn over the **right** temple. Stand up on cue from your marshal. Place your tassel as far back on the right as possible before coming forward.

### Receiving your Diploma

Mr. Watkins will be at the podium; hand him your card. **Do not start walking until he calls your name.**

Ms. Wooten will give you your diploma and shake your hand. Take the diploma in your left hand and shake hands with your right hand. Continue across the stage and Dr. Markley, the Superintendent and Chairman Hayes will also shake your hands.



### The Photograph



Stop momentarily for your photo to be taken. Remember to turn toward the photographer for your photograph.

Photographs will be available online for you to order.

## General Instructions for Graduation Day

### Parent and Guest Parking

Parents and other guests will park in the Hanover Deck with entrances on 2nd/Hanover and 2nd/Red Cross. Access to Humanities and Fine Arts Center is on Level two. **Guests will enter the Fine Arts Center at Zone 2.** Handicapped Accessibility is available. Please let Mrs. Jordan know.

### Dressing Rooms:

- **Young ladies will be in Dressing Room A.** A staff member and marshal will be on-hand to assist.
- **Young gentlemen will be Dressing Room C.** A staff member and marshal will be on-hand to assist.
- Leave your gown, stole(s), and cords hanging until you get to the Humanities and Fine Arts Center.
- **Hang onto your tassel!** We always have a number of students who lose them between the parking lot and lining up. We do not have extras.
- Ladies, **do not bring a pocketbook** (leave it with a parent). All students, leave your cell phones and other electronic devices with your parents or leave them in the room with your belongings. Travel lightly on Saturday.
- Pocketbooks can be left in the room with your belongings but leave valuables with your parents and/or family or friends.



## Expectations

### Student Behavior

Graduation is a formal ceremony. We all realize that you all have worked very hard to achieve your high school diploma and/or your Associates' Degrees. We expect all students to conduct themselves with dignity.



### Guest Behavior

Please ask your friends and relatives to respect the dignity deserved by all seniors on this occasion by remaining quiet during the ceremony. Urge them to remain seated until the end of the service and to allow all seniors to exit before leaving their seats. Tell them where to meet you after the ceremony.

**Please respect each senior's right to have his/her name heard as it is announced. It is a long time to sit and wait, but please give each person the respect he/she deserves. Celebrate AFTER the ceremony.**

Each High School Graduation will air during the summer. Graduation ceremonies will be replayed on either Channel 5 - Time Warner or Channel 12 - Charter Cable. To purchase a DVD of graduation complete a form. Forms will be available on the school website. Payment is due in advance.

**Check the school website or webpage for any updates pertaining to Graduation.**

## Timeline of Events

### May 27, 2016 – Graduation Practice 10 AM – 12 PM

- Bring the shoes that you will wear on graduation
- Submit post-graduation intentions, acceptance letters, scholarships, and other awards to Mrs. Jordan
- Make sure all due bills are paid
- Make sure all books and computer, if applicable, is turned in

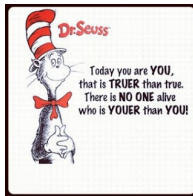
### May 28, 2016 – Graduation: 1:00 PM

- Arrive at Humanities and Fine Arts Building by 12:00.
- Hang your cap and gown (steam, if necessary)
- Park in lot adjacent to Schwartz Center. Family and guests can park in Parking Deck accessible from Second and Hanover Streets or Second and Red Cross Streets.
- If anyone is need of a wheelchair, please alert a WECHS staff member by May 27, 2016.



### Location:

Wilson Center  
Humanities and Fine Arts Building  
Downtown Campus of Cape Fear Community College  
703 N. Third Street  
Wilmington, NC 28401



### Parking:

Students will park in the **Schwartz Center Lot** (Student Lot 2). Parents and other guests will park in the parking deck. The deck has access from 2nd and Hanover Streets and 2nd and Red Cross. Access to Humanities and Fine Arts Center will be on second level.

## Attire

### Ladies

Wear dress shoes (flats are fine, but sandals may be difficult to walk in) that are comfortable. Remember, you will need to walk up and down the steps to the stage. **You will be in Dressing Room A.**

**No high heels, flip-flops or Rainbows.**

Dresses or skirts should not be longer than the hemline of your gown. Jeans or shorts should not be worn, as this is a momentous occasion.



Try on your clothing with your gown and practice walking. Bring hair pins for your caps.

### Gentlemen

Wear black or dark brown shoes (no white tennis shoes); dark socks; plain black, navy, brown or khaki dress slacks; dark tie, plain or with a small design; and a **white shirt**. Make sure you have a belt on with your slacks. **You will be in Dressing Room C.**



**Remember: Today is your day** and your parents, family, and friends want memorable photographs of you! Give them that opportunity. Smile at the bright futures that are ahead of you!