



## **GRAD NIGHT CELEBRATION FAQ: EVERYTHING YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT GRAD NIGHT CELEBRATION 2024**

### **WHAT IS GRAD NIGHT CELEBRATION?**

Grad Night Celebration is a fun, safe, and substance-free all-night celebration organized by RHS PTSA that starts on June 13 following graduation and goes until the early morning of June 14. Transportation is provided to two surprise venues, entertainment, food, and a memorable end-of-the year experience.

### **WHAT IS INCLUDED IN THE PRICE OF THE TICKET?**

The ticket price includes transportation to two venues, food at each venue, and various types of entertainment for Seniors to enjoy!

### **HOW MUCH IS A TICKET?**

The ticket price increases as the date for the party gets closer. Tickets are \$185 starting February 1, 2024. Tickets go up to \$200 on March 1, and tickets go up again to \$215 on May 15. Last day to purchase tickets will be May 31, 2024.

### **HOW DO I PURCHASE A TICKET FOR MY SENIOR?**

Tickets can be purchased online through the [RHS PTSA website](#) – see the Grad Night Celebration page under the Grads tab for a link.

### **WHAT ARE THE OPTIONS TO PAY FOR A TICKET?**

When you purchase a ticket online, you can choose to pay via PayPal or by check.

### **WHAT IF A SENIOR NEEDS FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO ATTEND?**

Anyone needing financial assistance with ticket cost should see their RHS counselor.

### **WHAT IS THE LAST DAY TO PURCHASE A TICKET?**

Friday, May 31, 2024 will be the last day to purchase a ticket.

### **WHAT IS THE REFUND POLICY?**

There are no refunds.

### **WHERE WILL THE GRAD NIGHT CELEBRATION BE HELD?**

The location of the celebration will be a surprise until the buses arrive at the venues.

### **HOW DO I GET A BUS ASSIGNMENT?**

Between February 1 and May 31, Seniors who have purchased a ticket **AND** returned the required release forms, will be emailed a Sign-Up Genius link to sign up for a bus. Seniors may not “save seats” for others, only one seat per bus per Senior. Seniors who have not turned in their release forms will not be permitted to reserve a bus seat and will instead be automatically assigned a bus at random. Be sure to get those releases turned in before Friday, May 31 to have the best availability!

**WHAT TIME IS CHECK-IN?**

Bus check-in will begin at 9:45pm at UW Alaska Airlines Arena. Please plan for a quick turnaround. **Food will be available at the first venue at 11:00pm.**

**WHERE CAN MY SENIOR CHANGE CLOTHES?**

Seniors can change at UW Arena in the bathrooms. Plan to wear casual clothes and closed toe shoes.

**WHAT HAPPENS AT CHECK-IN?**

Seniors check in by bus name. Personal items should be left with parents. Students are searched by a same sex adult before loading the buses. Release forms are signed again at check in, and any medications or food are processed by adult volunteers.

**WHAT SHOULD BE LEFT WITH PARENTS OR AT HOME?**

- Purses, bags, or backpacks
- Money
- Food and beverages (unless your Senior has a life-threatening condition and has made arrangements with the Grad Night Celebration Committee)

If your Senior brings something that is not allowed, it will be placed in a zip lock bag and will stay with the Grad Night Celebration Committee. The Committee accepts no responsibility for any loss or theft of possessions, which are kept for the duration of the party.

**ARE CELL PHONES ALLOWED?**

Yes! This year, the Committee has decided to allow Seniors to bring their cell phones to the event; however, cell phones will be confiscated if they are being used for inappropriate purposes (e.g., bullying, threatening, or harassing behavior; sharing venue location with others that are not attending the event and/or inviting or encouraging non-attendees to show up at the venue(s); taking inappropriate pictures with or without consent; etc.). Confiscated phones will be returned upon return to the school.

**WHAT TO BRING TO CHECK-IN?**

- Wear comfortable, casual attire (think gym clothes) and bring layers (t-shirt/sweatshirt)
- Please wear closed-toe shoes (they are required for some activities). Socks are strongly recommended.
- Emergency medical items (e.g., epi-pen, insulin, inhaler, etc.). These items will be allowed to be kept on your person if so indicated on the Emergency Care Plan. If your Senior has life-threatening allergies, we require a completed and signed Emergency Care Plan, which must be submitted to the Grad Night Celebration Committee prior to May 31.

**WHAT IF SOMEONE IS FOUND TO HAVE DRUGS, ALCOHOL, WEAPONS, OR A TOBACCO/VAPE PRODUCT ON THEM?**

Grad Night Celebration is a safe event. There will be zero tolerance for tobacco, alcohol, drugs, or weapons of any kind. If prohibited items are found on a Senior at check-in, the Senior will not be permitted to board the bus. Seniors under the influence will not be permitted to participate. If prohibited items are found on a Senior at the venue, the Senior's parents will be contacted for pickup. NO REFUNDS will be provided for any of these situations.

**WHAT HAPPENS IF YOUR SENIOR IS LATE TO CHECK-IN?**

Anyone not checked in, searched, and on the bus by 10:00pm will be left behind. NO REFUNDS will be given for missing the event.

### **WHAT TIME IS PICK UP AND WHERE?**

Buses will return to RHS around 6:00am on Friday, June 14. Seniors will be tired and ready to go home! Because Seniors have stayed up all night, they are NOT PERMITTED to drive themselves home. We request that Seniors' rides be waiting for the buses by 5:45am on June 14.

### **WHAT IF MY SENIOR NEEDS PERSONAL MEDICATIONS?**

If your Senior takes medications that are needed during the event, you will need to indicate this on the Emergency Care Plan and check the medication in with the Grad Night Celebration Committee representative at the time of check-in. Medications must be in a prescription container marked with the Senior's name. The medication will be placed in a zip lock bag, marked with Senior's name, along with a copy of the Emergency Care Plan with specific dispensing instructions. Non-emergency medications will be kept with an adult chaperone during the event.

### **WHAT IF MY SENIOR HAS A FOOD ALLERGY?**

If a Senior suffers from food or beverage allergies, it is the sole responsibility of the Senior and their parent or guardian to determine if the Senior can safely attend the event, to determine what food and beverages to consume or avoid at the event, and to bring their own food to the event if necessary. The facilities or vendors supplying food and beverages for the event WILL NOT take any precautions in the preparation and service of food and beverages to protect against any food and beverage allergies. Peanuts and other allergen-producing ingredients may be used, and utensils may have come into contact with allergen-producing ingredients. Seniors with serious allergies should act accordingly and can bring their own food to the event. Food can be given to the Grad Night Celebration Committee at check-in.

### **WHAT FORMS ARE NEEDED TO ENSURE MY SENIOR CAN ATTEND?**

All Seniors must have the following forms completed and turned in before being allowed to sign up for a bus or attend the celebration:

- A Grad Night Celebration Release Form. The form should be signed by the Senior AND parent, regardless of whether the Senior is already 18 years old. Seniors will be required to re-sign the form at check-in to reaffirm their acknowledgment and acceptance of release.
- Emergency Care Plan Form (IF NECESSARY - Required for serious health issues and life-threatening allergies)

Please note: Any Senior with a food or beverage allergy or any medical condition needs to complete the Emergency Care Plan form and submit it before signing up for a bus.

### **WHERE CAN THE REQUIRED FORMS BE FOUND?**

Forms can be found on the RHS PTSA website on the [Grad Night Celebration](#) page.

### **HOW CAN I HELP?**

We need LOTS of volunteers to make Grad Night Celebration run smoothly for our Seniors. Please consider signing up to help. A sign-up will be posted on the RHS PTSA website on the [Grad Night Celebration](#) page closer to the event.

### **WHAT IF I HAVE MORE QUESTIONS?**

Contact the Grad Night Party Committee at  
GradNight@redmondhsptsa.org

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