

GRAD NIGHT CELEBRATION FAQ: EVERYTHING YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT GRAD NIGHT CELEBRATION 2025

WHAT IS GRAD NIGHT CELEBRATION?

Grad Night Celebration is a fun, safe, and substance-free all-night celebration organized by RHS PTSA. The 2025 event starts around 9:45pm on June 17 (the night of graduation) and goes until the early morning of June 18. Grads will be transported from RHS by charter buses to one surprise venue where they will have about two hours of activities, entertainment, and food before being transported to a second surprise venue for another two hours of food and fun. Grads will then be transported back to RHS between 5:30-6:00am on June 18 after having a truly memorable end-of-year experience. For safety reasons, Grads must be picked up at RHS by someone who did not attend the overnight celebration. Grads will not be allowed to drive themselves home in the morning.

WHAT IS INCLUDED FOR THE PRICE OF GRAD NIGHT CELEBRATION?

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

HOW MUCH IS REGISTRATION?

The registration price increases as the date for the party gets closer. Prices are \$165 starting February 1, 2025. Prices go up to \$180 on March 1, and go up again to \$195 on May 1. Last day to register will be May 31, 2025.

HOW DO I REGISTER MY GRADUATE?

Registration can be purchased online through the <u>RHS PTSA website</u> – see the Grad Night Celebration page under the Grads tab for a link.

WHAT ARE THE OPTIONS TO PAY FOR REGISTRATION?

When you register online, you can choose to pay via PayPal or by check.

WHAT IF A GRADUATE NEEDS FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO ATTEND?

Anyone needing financial assistance with registration costs should contact the Grad Night Celebration committee at gradnight@redmondhsptsa.org or see their RHS counselor. Partial and full financial assistance is available.

WHAT IS THE LAST DAY TO REGISTER?

Sunday, May 31, 2025 will be the last day to pay for the Grad's registration.

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?

A few days after registration close, Grads who have registered to attend <u>AND</u> returned the required signed release form, will be emailed a Sign-Up Genius link to sign up for a bus. Grads may not "save seats" for others - only one seat per bus per Grad. Grads who have not turned in their release form <u>will not be permitted</u> to reserve a bus seat until we receive their forms. After the initial sign up, students who turn in their forms late will be sent their bus sign up link in the evening on the day the form is turned in. Be sure to get those releases turned in by Sunday, May 31, to have the best availability! All buses go to the same venue at the same time.

WHAT TIME IS CHECK-IN?

Bus check-in will begin at 9:45pm at Redmond High School. Food will be available at the first venue around 11:00pm.

WHAT HAPPENS AT CHECK-IN?

Grads check in by bus name/color. Personal items should be left at home. Grads are only allowed to bring their cell phone and a portable charger. Students will be searched by a same-sex adult before loading the buses. If the Grad has turned age 18 between the time they submitted their release form and the day of the event, the Grad will be required to sign the release form again as an adult. Grads who were age 18 when the release form was originally signed will not need to sign the release form again. If the Grad needs to bring any medication or special food and have submitted an Emergency Care Plan form in advance, there will be adult volunteers present to process their items.

WHAT SHOULD BE LEFT WITH PARENTS OR AT HOME?

- EVERYTHING EXCEPT FOR A CELL PHONE AND PORTABLE CHARGER
- Examples of what is not allowed:
 - o purses, wallets, bags, or backpacks
 - o money
 - o headphones
 - o food and/or beverages (unless your Grad has a serious medical condition and has made arrangements with the Grad Night Celebration Committee to bring their own food)

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

NOTE: Personal hygiene items (lip balm, feminine hygiene products, Tylenol, Advil, hand sanitizer, tissues, breath mints/gum, etc. will be provided by the Grad Night Celebration committee.

ARE CELL PHONES ALLOWED?

Yes! Grads are premitted 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-registered 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. Grads are encouraged to fully charge their phones prior to the event or bring a portable charger.

WHAT TO WEAR AND 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 carried by the Grad if so indicated on the Emergency Care Plan. If your Grad has life-threatening allergies or a medical condition that requires or might require to be administered during the event, 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 Grad at check-in, the Grad will not be permitted to board the bus. Grads under the influence will not be permitted to participate. If prohibited items are found on a Grad at the venues, the Grad's parents/emergency contact will be contacted for pickup. NO REFUNDS will be provided for any of these situations.

WHAT HAPPENS IF YOUR GRAD 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 between 5:30-6:00am on Wednesday, June 18. Grads will be tired and ready to go home! Because Grads have stayed up all night, they are NOT PERMITTED to drive themselves home. We request that Grads' rides be waiting for the buses by 5:45am on June 18. Volunteers will be present to ensure no Grads drives themselves off of RHS premises.

WHAT IF MY GRAD NEEDS PERSONAL MEDICATIONS?

If your Grad takes medications that may be 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 Grad's name. The medication will be placed in a zip lock bag, marked with Grad'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 GRAD HAS A FOOD ALLERGY?

If a Grad suffers from food or beverage allergies, it is the sole responsibility of the Grad and their parent or guardian to determine if the Grad 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. Grads with serious allergies should act accordingly and can bring their own food to the event if the Emergency Care Plan so indicates. Food must be given to the Grad Night Celebration Committee representative at check-in.

WHAT FORMS ARE NEEDED TO ENSURE MY GRAD CAN ATTEND?

All Grads 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 Grad AND parent, regardless of
 whether the Grad is already 18 years old. Grads who turn age 18 between when they originally signed the release
 form and the day of the event 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 and if the Grad will need to bring medication and/or their own food)

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 Graduates. 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. |
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| WHAT IF I HAVE MORE QUESTIONS? Contact the Grad Night Celebration Committee at GradNight@redmondhsptsa.org |
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