

Class of 2020 Senior Contract

The Senior Class of 2020 is enthusiastically preparing for the exciting conclusion of their secondary education here at New Manchester High School. Together, the high school administration and senior class are carefully planning activities to celebrate the graduating class of 2020.

As educators, we fully recognize the necessity of both parental and student understanding and cooperation in all our undertakings. Thus, this contract is intended to inform you of both the various activities related to graduation and the policies and regulations relative to graduation from New Manchester High School.

Participation in the ceremony is contingent upon your successful completion of the required credits and adherence to school regulations for behavior and attendance. Partaking in graduation from New Manchester High School is an honor and a privilege, but it is not a right. Please read this contract carefully with the understanding that no student will be allowed to participate in graduation or any of the end of year senior events who, in any way, fails to comply with the regulations and procedures as determined and interpreted by the school's administration.

- ___ I agree to conduct myself in an orderly and respectful manner and to obey all rules and regulations within the Douglas County School System and New Manchester High School.
- ___ I understand that if I violate school rules that result in suspension from school at any time during the school year, I am subject to removal from any or all senior activities including the graduation ceremony. **There will be no exceptions.**
- ___ I agree that my attendance in all my classes shall conform to district and school policy. I also understand that any truancies and excessive absences may jeopardize my participation in any senior related activities to include graduation ceremonies.
- ___ I understand that I must return my signed senior contract and pay senior fees by **Friday, February 28, 2020**. In addition, all outstanding school debt (ex. media center, athletic, club, FAME) must be paid prior to **Friday, May 15, 2020**. All school debt paid and school materials must be turned in order to participation in graduation practice.
- ___ I understand that **no refunds** will be issued to any senior who is dismissed from NMHS, senior activities, graduation, rehearsal or ceremony, or any other special activity event due to possession of drugs, alcohol, tobacco, weapons and/or disruptive behavior.
- ___ I understand that participation in the graduation ceremony is not required to receive my high school diploma. However, should I not attend the graduation ceremony as a result of any violation of this agreement; I understand that a student/parent conference with the principal, as well as the completion of any consequences issued will be required prior to receiving my diploma and final transcript.
- ___ I understand that all graduation practices are mandatory to participate in graduation.
- ___ I agree to wear the cap and gown selected for the ceremony, and will not alter or decorate them in any manner. I further agree to conform to the following dress code for the graduation ceremony:
 - **I agree to not alter my cap and gown in any way.**
 - Girls must wear all black clothing and all black shoes (**no decorative embellishments, no tennis shoes, flip flops, or slippers**). If a dress is worn, it cannot extend beyond the length of the robe, black dress slacks (no jeans, carpenter pants).
 - Boys must wear a white, collared dress shirt, black tie, black dress slacks (no jeans, carpenter pants), black socks, and black dress shoes (**no decorative embellishments, no tennis shoes, flip flops, or slippers**).
- ___ I will not carry anything into the University of West Georgia Coliseum that will disrupt the ceremony (cell phones, blow horns, cameras, silly string, purses, combs, or any other nuisance items.)
- ___ I agree to be courteous during the entire ceremony and refrain from any activity that is disrupting, distracting, or dangerous. I further agree to leave the ceremony when asked to do so if I fail to adhere to these guidelines. I understand that if I violate this, I will be subject to school discipline prior to receiving my diploma.
- ___ **Not adhering to Douglas County School System, New Manchester High School, or classroom policies/procedures, will limit and/or stop my ability to participate in senior activities, and privileges and activities will be revoked.**

Student Name (Print)

Parent/Guardian Name (Print)

Student Signature

Date

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

Our goal is prevention rather than punishment. This contract is to be signed by both student and parent/guardian and returned to Ms. Richards in room A.2303 or Ms. Robinson in room A.2105 by **Friday, February 28, 2020**. Failure to do so by this date will cause student to be ineligible to participate in any senior events.