



TRINITY ACADEMY

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GRADUATION HANDBOOK

2022-2023

Trinity Academy

This handbook has been prepared for you, a graduating senior, and your parents in an effort to help you coordinate your time and responsibilities for the numerous senior activities that will occur between now and Graduation on Saturday, May 27, 2023.

**CLASS OF
2023**



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Important Dates for Seniors

Monday, August 8, 2022 6:30-7:30 pm	Senior Parent Meeting <i>Atrium</i>
(Choose 1 of 3 dates below)	
Thurs., Aug. 4, 2022 – 11:00 am	College Application Workshop
Wed., Aug. 10, 2022 – 2:00 pm	<i>iLab</i>
Tuesday, Aug. 16, 2022 - 1:30 pm after Senior Prayer Luncheon	
Tuesday, August 16, 2022 12:00 pm – 1:30 pm	Senior Prayer Luncheon <i>Atrium</i>
Wednesday, August 17, 2022 9:15 am	Convocation <i>Founders Hall</i>
Friday, September 9, 2022 1:00 pm	Lunch with Board of Directors <i>Outdoor Lunch Tent</i>
Saturday, September 17, 2022 4:00 pm-midnight	An Exceptional Evening <i>Founders Hall</i>
TBD (October)	College Financial Aid Meeting (parents) <i>Virtual</i>
Monday, October 3, 2022 8:00 am	Graduation Packets (cap/gown, etc.) <i>Distributed in Homeroom</i>
Wednesday, October 12, 2022 <i>Time TBD</i>	College Application Workday Mock Interview Sessions <i>Location TBD</i>
Wednesday, October 12, 2022 2:00 pm-2:45 pm	Orders Due to Herff Jones Representative <i>Atrium</i>
Friday, December 2, 2022	Senior <u>Pictures</u> due for Yearbook <i>Mrs. Ayers</i>
December 2022/January 2023	Alumni Panel
Friday, February 10, 2023 1:00 pm	Lunch with Board of Directors <i>Outdoor Lunch Tent</i>



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Important Dates for Seniors, continued

Friday, March 3, 2023	Senior <u>Ads</u> due for Yearbook <i>Mrs. Ayers</i>
Monday, March 27-31, 2023 TBD	Senior Thesis Presentations <i>Founders Hall</i>
Friday, March 17, 2023	“Baby” Pictures due for Bacc/Grad <i>Mrs. Dasher</i>
Thursday, March 31, 2023	Alumni Brick Orders Due
Thursday, May 25, 2023 12:00 pm – 3 pm	Alumni Silver Tiger Luncheon and Graduation Rehearsal/LS Parade <i>Atrium and Founders Hall</i>
Thursday, May 25, 2023 6:00 pm	Academic/Athletic Awards Night <i>Founders Hall</i>
Friday, May 26, 2023 5:00 pm and 7:30 pm	Baccalaureate Dinner and Service <i>Brier Creek Country Club and Founders Hall</i>
Saturday, May 27, 2023 9:30 am (8:30 am for pictures)	Graduation <i>Founders Hall</i>
June (TBD)	Board of Directors hosted dinner



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Scheduled Event Details

College Application Workshop

PLACE: iLab

DATE: August 4, 10, or 16

TIME: 11am-12pm (Aug 4), 2pm-3pm (Aug 10), and 1:30pm-2:30pm (Aug 16)

This workshop is a time to begin work on your college applications and ask questions of Ms. Sawyer and Mrs. Dougherty. Only the student attends and you choose 1 of the 3 dates. Attendance is a prerequisite for scheduling your senior conference with Ms. Sawyer and Mrs. Dougherty.

Senior Conferences

PLACE: College Counseling Office

DATE: Ongoing beginning August 4-September 30

TIME: Various times available for scheduling through College Counseling Office

During this meeting, the College Counseling Office will finalize the senior's college application list and review testing, transcript, and senior schedule.

Senior Prayer Luncheon

PLACE: Atrium

DATE: Tuesday, August 16, 2022

TIME: 12:00 pm to 1:30 pm

Each year the Trinity faculty and senior class parents gather to enjoy lunch, hear a brief encouragement, and pray for our seniors. Each family will receive an invitation with instructions regarding [RSVP's](#). Students should wear dress standard or better (students can change into this attire after the early dismissal - noon). Note this is the first day of school, noon dismissal. Siblings may attend the prayer time, but not the luncheon.

Convocation

Place: Founders Hall

Date: Wednesday, August 17, 2022

Time: 9:15 am

Convocation marks the beginning of the school year and will be the first time that the Senior Class of 2023 is introduced. As it is a Wednesday, all students should be in dress standard. Parents are invited to attend.

An Exceptional Evening

PLACE: Founders Hall

DATE: Saturday, September 17, 2022

TIME: 4:00pm to Midnight

Seniors will voluntarily serve as silent service waiters and waitresses for the Exceptional Evening dinner from 4pm until midnight. For each participating senior, a financial donation of \$20/hr. will be made toward funding of the Senior Trip.



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Graduation Packets Distributed

Place: Homeroom

Date: Monday, October 3, 2022

Time: Distributed in Homeroom

Herff Jones will provide a large envelope of information for seniors to take home and discuss with parents. The possibilities are endless, but the only required purchase is a cap, gown, and tassel. We discourage borrowing gowns due to varying sheens and lengths. Parents are welcome to come to campus on the 12th (see below) when the rep will be present to answer any questions. She will also have samples and displays of everything from class rings to graduation announcements.

Lunch with Trinity Academy Board of Directors

PLACE: Outdoor Lunch Tent

DATES: Friday, September 9, 2022 AND Friday, February 10, 2023

TIME: 1:00 pm

This tradition was begun many years ago as an opportunity for mutual relationship building between seniors and Trinity's Board of Directors. This culminates with a nice dinner in June. For these lunches, Seniors should plan to enter the Outdoor Lunch Tent at the start of the lunch period. You may sit at any table that is reserved for this special lunch, you are just asked to save at least 2 seats at your table for Board members to join you. Seniors are expected to attend each of these. No off-campus lunch on these days. Hot lunch will be blocked these days, too.

College Financial Aid Meeting (parents)

PLACE(s): TBD

DATE: TBD

TIME: TBD

The College Counseling office will host this informative event for parents.

College Application Workday/Mock Interview Sessions

PLACE(s): TBD

DATE: Wednesday, October 12, 2022

TIME: TBD

Hands-on work with your college application process and mock interview sessions with local business leaders.

Senior Pictures due for Yearbook

Place: Mrs. Ayers (kayers@trinityacademy.com)

Date: December 2, 2022

Senior Yearbook Photos are provided by senior families. Families are responsible to arrange to have senior portraits taken by mid-fall so that they can be edited by photographers and emailed to Mrs. Ayers at kayers@trinityacademy.com. Please submit the ONE picture you would like included in the yearbook by the above date. **** Please note that you may choose any outfit or pose you like during your photography session; however, make sure your photographer takes at least one picture with the below (next page) criteria, as this will be what is accepted for yearbook use. See next page for specific criteria for pictures.**



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Pictures submitted for yearbook use must meet the following criteria:

ALL: No denim or t-shirts

YOUNG MEN: Dress Shirt and Tie, Sport Coat Optional (Tie optional if wearing a sport coat.)

YOUNG LADIES: No spaghetti straps or strapless dresses or tops. No low-cut dresses or tops.

If you are unable to meet the following deadline, Mrs. Ayers will take your senior's portrait on a chapel dress day for yearbook use. These will not be provided to families outside of yearbook purchase.

Alumni Panel

PLACE(s): TBD

DATE: TBD (December 2022/January 2023)

TIME: TBD

Each year, Trinity seniors hear from our recent alumni about their best advice regarding the transition to college. Students will have a chance to hear from alum on a variety of topics, including choosing a roommate, time-management, course selection, spiritual formation, and campus involvement.

Graduation Orders Due

Place: Atrium

Date: Wednesday, October 12, 2022

Time 2:00-2:45 pm

Our representative from Herff Jones will be on campus to take orders for caps, gowns, and tassels (required), graduation announcements, class rings and other senior memorabilia. Prior to the date look for seniors to bring home an envelope of information to consider. Filling out any of the information beforehand will save you time that day. If you have questions, before or after, you can contact a Herff Jones representative through the website here: <https://www.herffjones.com/find-a-rep/submit/>

Senior Ads due for Yearbook

Date: Friday, March 3, 2023

PLACE: Mrs. Ayers (kayers@trinityacademy.com)

TIME: by 4 pm

Yearbook ads are optional. Only one ad may be purchased per student. You may purchase a ½ page (\$125) or ¼ page (\$80) ad. Details about how to purchase, create, or have ads created for you will be emailed to senior parents in early January.

Senior Thesis Presentations

Date: Monday, March 27-31, 2023

Place: Founders Hall

Time: TBD

During the week Trinity seniors will present their Senior Thesis to the Upper School, faculty, friends, and family. The presentation schedule will be determined in the spring and announced via Tiger Tales and email. Seniors should plan to dress up as this is the culmination of a year's research and writing. Gentlemen should wear a coat and tie. Ladies may wear a dress as long as it has sleeves and is the appropriate length (see dress code).





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“Baby” Pictures and General Class of 2023 Pics

Date: Friday, March 17, 2023

PLACE: Mrs. Dasher

Students and parents should select 6 pictures depicting different stages in the student’s life for the Baccalaureate/Graduation Slideshow. At least one picture should be from your senior portrait session. These should be uploaded digitally to a special folder and gallery in SmugMug. Mrs. Dasher will send you a specific link for uploading. Please also gather and upload pictures from over the years of all students (group shots are great) to help us build the scrolling slideshow for Graduation. There will be a separate upload link for these photos. Please direct questions to Mrs. Dasher at edasher@trinityacademy.com.

Alumni Brick Orders Due

Date: March 31, 2023

Place: Online

Graduating seniors may purchase a commemorative brick to be placed in the Alumni Patio at the Atrium. Use this [link](https://bit.ly/Brick23) to place your order by March 31, 2023. bit.ly/Brick23

Silver Tiger Alumni Luncheon/Graduation Rehearsal/Lower School Parade

Date: May 25, 2023

PLACE: Atrium, Founders Hall, LS Buildings

TIME: 12:00 pm to 3pm

Seniors will be treated to lunch in the Atrium and welcomed into the Alumni Association. Other Trinity alumni will be in attendance, and some will receive the Silver Tiger Award for their service and involvement. **Seniors should be dressed in daily standard even if they have not been on campus for an exam earlier in the day.** After lunch, seniors will rehearse for Baccalaureate and Graduation in Founders Hall. Seniors should **BRING THEIR CAPS AND GOWNS TO SCHOOL TODAY!** Then, at 2:15pm, Seniors will line up to parade through the Lower School buildings where they will be applauded and cheered by Lower School students and teachers. Afterwards, students will leave their caps and gowns in the Founders Hall locker rooms for use the next evening.

Athletic and Academic Awards Night

Date: May 25, 2023

PLACE: Founders Hall

TIME: 6pm

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Baccalaureate Dinner and Service

PLACE: Dinner at Brier Creek and Service in Founders Hall

DATE: Friday, May 26, 2023

TIME: 5 pm dinner, travel back to Trinity for 7:30 pm service

Seniors should plan to dress up for the dinner and wear their graduation gown for the service. Please see below for proper attire. Senior families will receive invitations in the spring. Trinity covers the cost of the dinner for the senior and two parents. Other guests should expect to pay for dinner.

Attire for Baccalaureate:

MEN: Wear dark dress shoes (no topsiders, sandals, flip-flops or tennis shoes), dark dress socks, dark dress trousers, dress tie/bow tie, and a white dress shirt. Anything that shows through the gown will detract from the ceremony. A coat/blazer is appropriate during dinner.

WOMEN: Wear black dress shoes (no casual sandals, flip-flops or tennis shoes). All shoes should have a strap. Ladies may wear non-black dress shoes for the dinner but should change before the service. Be careful not to wear too high of a heel; you will be walking up and down steps. Wear either a skirt and blouse or a dress (no sleeveless) of appropriate length. Dresses/skirts should not show below the hemline of the gown, nor interfere with the neckline.

Graduation

Date: Saturday, May 27, 2023

Place: Founders Hall

Time: 9:30 AM (seniors should arrive by 8:30 AM for individual and group pictures)

Trinity's graduation has always fallen on the Saturday of Memorial Day weekend. Please advise any family and friends of this date as soon as possible. As of now, Seniors may invite an unlimited number of guests. Tickets are not needed. A reception in the Atrium will follow the ceremony. See attire below:

Attire: Graduation is a dignified event.

MEN: Wear dark dress shoes (no topsiders, sandals, flip-flops or tennis shoes), dark dress socks, dark dress trousers, dress tie/bow-tie, and a white dress shirt. Anything that shows through the gown will detract from the ceremony.

WOMEN: Wear black dress shoes (no casual sandals, flip-flops or tennis shoes). All shoes should have a back or a strap. Ladies may wear non-black dress shoes for the reception but should change after the ceremony. Be careful not to wear too high of a heel; you will be walking up and down steps. Wear either a skirt and blouse or a dress (no sleeveless) of appropriate length. Dresses/skirts should not show below the hemline of the gown, nor interfere with the neckline.

Board Dinner – Post Graduation

Date: TBD in early June after class trip

Place: TBD

Time: TBD

This is a very nice dinner for the graduated seniors with our Trinity Board members. Please make every effort to attend.



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