



May 15, 2017

Dear Parents and Guardians of Seniors:

Believe it or not there are but four short weeks remaining until graduation! I want to take this opportunity to congratulate you on (the anticipated) successful conclusion to your child's education at Cheney Tech, and to thank you for your support of our school.

End of Year Activities There are many end of year activities scheduled for all students and seniors between now and graduation. Please refer to our website for specific information.

Graduation rehearsals will be held on Friday, June 16th, and Monday, June 19th, in the morning. Seniors report to school at the regular time both days. The senior class is planning to hold a lunch for the class on both days following rehearsals.

- Any senior who does not report for graduation rehearsals (absent unexcused) will not be allowed to participate in the ceremony.
- Seniors must wear Cheney Tech caps and gowns in order to be in the ceremony.

The Graduation ceremony will be held on Monday, June 19th on the athletic field **at Cheney Technical High School**, weather permitting. The ceremony will be held in the Cheney Tech gymnasium if the forecast is for stormy weather. The ceremony will begin at 6:30pm. Seniors need to report to school no later than 5:45pm.

There is no limit placed on the number of guests each graduate can bring to the outside ceremony. However, a limit of three guests per graduate must be imposed for an inside ceremony due to space restrictions. Each senior will be given three invitations at rehearsal on June 19th. Guests must present an invitation at the door to be admitted to the inside ceremony. If the weather forecast is questionable for June 19th, I will make the decision that morning and will notify the graduates at rehearsal June 19th. The location of the ceremony will be posted on the school's website: www.cttech.org/cheney.

Parking will be in both the Cheney Tech and East Catholic High School lots.

I am requesting all family, friends and graduates attending the graduation to adhere to the following **protocol**:

- Do not bring signs or balloons. These block the view of people seated around you.

- A photography area will be roped off for picture taking. Please use this area when your child accepts his/her diploma, and then return to your seat so other parents will have room to take pictures.
- Camera tripods cannot obstruct the aisles or the view of others.

Cheney Tech is proud to have your son/daughter as a member of our senior class. In order to insure proper decorum and to maintain the dignity associated with the graduation ceremony, the following **guidelines** have been developed for those students who will be participating in the ceremony:

- Graduates are expected to wear appropriate dress clothing and shoes with their graduation cap and gown,
- Graduates are prohibited from having anything that could be disruptive to the ceremony (i.e. silly string, balloons, beach balls, fireworks, noise-makers, etc.),
- Graduates must adhere to all rules and regulations that govern Cheney Tech activities.

Any student found in violation of the above guidelines will be subject to removal from the ceremony and denial of his/her diploma until all disciplinary action issued by the school has been completed. Hopefully, with your cooperation and the cooperation of the students, none of these consequences will need to be implemented.

I look forward to sharing a safe and enjoyable graduation with you and your family.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Robert Sartoris", written over a horizontal line.

Robert Sartoris
Principal
Howell Cheney Technical HS