



# Senior Parent Meeting 2<sup>nd</sup> Semester 2021

# Welcome and Introductions

Mrs. Diane Hillsgrove- Dean of Students

Mr. Steve Williams- Student Development Coach

Mrs. Jodi Walsh- Administrative Assistant

Mr. Kevin Seitz- Dean of Academics

Mrs. Darla McDonald- Upper School Assistant Dean of Academics

Mrs. Rhoades - Administrative Assistant

Ms. Laura Smith- Director of College Counseling

Ms. Leah Thomsen- Director of Communications/Assistant to the Headmaster



# Agenda

Update - Senior Assembly and Graduation

Academics - What to Expect

College/Career Counseling - Home Stretch

Student Life - What is coming up and What is on the "To Do" List

# Senior Assembly/Graduation - We are so excited to celebrate the class of 2021!

Now is the time...

**...to take senior portraits** – Now is a great time to get your photos taken. Getting it done now may allow you to use the senior portrait in the Senior Slideshow.

**...to collect photos for our Senior Slideshow** – We will be collecting three photos for each senior to share during Senior Assembly, so start looking now! More information will follow. The DEADLINE to turn in the photos is March 22.

- *1 baby or toddler years*
- *1 middle years*
- *1 current or senior portrait*

**...to order caps, gowns, tassels announcements, and other senior swag** – Our new graduation supply company is Southern Recognition Inc. We are excited that they offer online ordering. Cary Christian School selections are uploaded to their website and a link has just been sent to you, so you can start the ordering process.

# Senior Assembly/Graduation - We are so excited to celebrate the class of 2021!

**Senior Assembly** – By the time May rolls around, we hope to offer a normal Senior Assembly at 10:00 A.M. *At the very least, our goal will be to have our seniors and their parents present for the event.*

- Senior Tables - Tri-fold board for your Senior's Memory Table in the gym (more details to follow).  
Each senior will be given half of a 6 ft table to decorate (tablecloths will be provided).
- Senior Walk – Our students will get to celebrate with the current student body as they parade through the school (photos will be taken and shared).

**Graduation will be held on our Football Field on Thursday, May 20 @ 6:30 pm.** *This is a rain or shine event. If the weather makes it unsafe to meet, we will save Saturday, May 22 as a rain date.*

As we get closer to these events, we will share more details. We are so excited to have the privilege of celebrating the accomplishments of the class of 2021!

# Academics

We are almost there, but NOT FINISHED

Use A day and B day to your advantage

Spring Sports/Electives

Time Management

Working/Job

# Senior Thesis What to Expect

		WRITING STAGE Work in class and at home	DUE DATES & THESIS ADVISING*
1	Tuesday, 1/5**	Outline	
2	Thursday, 1/7	Outline	
3	Monday, 1/11	Outline	
4	Wednesday, 1/13	Narration/Division	Turn in outline to Mr. Halbrook and your adviser; Schedule meeting with your adviser to discuss outline
5	Friday, 1/15	Narration/Division	
6	Wednesday, 1/20**	Narration/Division	
7	Friday, 1/22	Proof	Turn in Narration/Division to Mr. Halbrook; Adviser meeting due
8	Tuesday, 1/26	Proof	
9	Thursday, 1/28	Proof	Schedule mid-quarter adviser meeting
10	Monday, 2/1	Proof	
11	Wednesday, 2/3	Proof	
12	Friday, 2/5**	Proof	Adviser meeting due
13	Tuesday, 2/9	Refutation	Turn in Proof to Mr. Halbrook
14	Thursday, 2/11	Refutation	
15	Tuesday, 2/16**	Refutation	
16	Thursday, 2/18	Intro/Conclusion	Turn in Refutation to Mr. Halbrook
17	Monday, 2/22	Intro/Conclusion	
18	Wednesday, 2/24	Peer Review	Turn in 4 copies of Rough Draft (1 for Mr. Halbrook, 1 for your adviser, and 2 for peer review group members)
19	Friday, 2/26	Finalize Draft	
20	Tuesday, 3/2	Finalize Draft	(Receive Draft back from your adviser by this day)
21	Thursday, 3/4	Finalize Draft	Turn in Final Paper to Mr. Halbrook

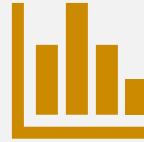
# Valedictorian and Salutatorian

The Academic Dean and a committee of secondary teachers will select the senior class valedictorian and salutatorian. The committee will evaluate the students based on the following criteria (in order of priority):

- Academics
- Spiritual Testimony
- Co-Curricular
- Honors Received

To be eligible for this award, a student must have attended Cary Christian School for all four years of Rhetoric School and have a cumulative G.P.A. of 3.5 or higher.

# AP Exams



AP Stats – Thursday May 13<sup>th</sup>  
at Noon



AP Calculus – Tuesday, May  
4<sup>th</sup> at 8 AM



AP Physics – Wednesday,  
May 5<sup>th</sup> at Noon

# From Laura Smith, the Director of College Counseling

- Seniors, please update Naviance with college admissions decisions
- If deferred, students should meet with Ms. Smith to plan appropriate response. Use Calendly [link](#).
- If students are interviewing for a scholarship, Ms. Smith is pleased to offer practice interviews and give feedback. They also can be scheduled via the Calendly [link](#).
- May 1<sup>st</sup> is the National Decision Day for Seniors. Students should let Ms. Smith know of the school that they will be attending by May 1<sup>st</sup> and put it in Naviance.
- Senior photo in college shirts will be in early May. Date TBD.
- Seniors send all copies of scholarship offers to Mrs. Smith by April 15<sup>th</sup>. We will recognize seniors who are accepting scholarship offers at schools where they will matriculate (attend.)
- If a student is going to be entering the work force or doing a gap year, please be sure to advise Ms. Smith via email.

# Student Life

- Seniors-Help them finish strong
- Monthly senior days and snacks have been a huge hit- March, April and May up for grabs
- Protocol-
  - Currently scheduled for Saturday, April 10
  - Cathy Allen-chair; all are invited to join the committee
  - How do we get to a yes?
- Senior Skip Day-Friday May 7
- Class gathering opportunities



# Calendar

- February
  - Senior Day-Thursday, February 25
- March
  - Spring Break-Saturday, March 6-Sunday, March 21
  - Senior Day-Thursday, March 25
- April
  - Senior Day-Thursday, April 22
  - Protocol-Saturday, April 10 or TBD
  - Senior Thesis Presentations-April 19-30
  - Bible verses and pictures due-March 22
  - College decision-May 1
  - Scholarship-April 15
- May
  - Senior Skip Day-Friday, May 7
  - AP Exams-May 3 to May 14
  - Senior Exams-May 18 & 19
  - Senior Table set up-May 14, 15 & 17
  - Senior Assembly-May 20 10am
  - Graduation-May 20 and rain date-May 22





# EXCITED FOR THE FUTURE FOR THE SENIOR CLASS OF 2021