

## General Announcement

# *SENIOR EDITION*



### SENIOR PARENTS

It is hard to believe we are down to the last month of school with the amazing seniors in the Class of 2017. I wanted to provide you with a few important updates for the next couple weeks leading to Graduation on May 18, 2017!

[Please click here for all the updates regarding the next few weeks!](#)

### SENIOR COMMUNITY CONVERSATION - THIS THURSDAY!



There will be a Lakota Community Conversation for graduating seniors and their parents/guardians at 6:30 p.m., Thursday, April 20, at the Lakota Central Office, 5572 Princeton Road. Any seniors and their parents/guardians are welcome. Share with school district leaders your thoughts about your Lakota experience.

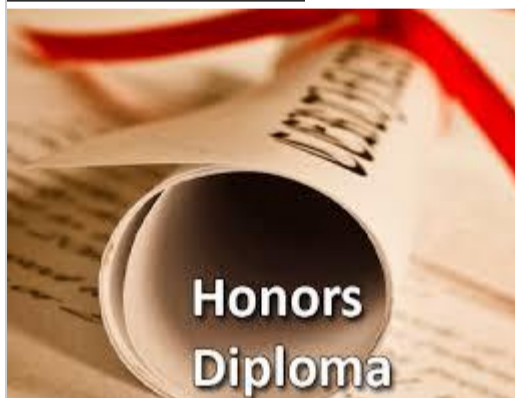
[Click here for the flyer that contains all the details.](#)

### **SENIOR REMINDER**



It is time to help our seniors stay focused. Know that our expectations do not change just because seniors are inching toward the end of their high school careers. We would hate to see a senior make a poor decision, such as participating in a senior prank, that could prevent them from taking part in the Graduation Ceremony.

### **HONORS DIPLOMA**



Lists of student receiving the Honors Diploma are posted outside the Guidance and Administration offices. Seniors that believe they should be receiving an Honors Diploma should check the list for their name. Seniors should see their counselor with any questions or concerns.

**REQUIRED SENIOR SURVEY - DEADLINE APRIL 29**



**ALL** Seniors must complete a mandatory Lakota Graduation Survey, located in Naviance, **by Friday, April 21**. Please log in to your Naviance account and complete the Senior Graduation Survey, located under the "About Me" tab, **by to April 21st**. We use the information to determine whether or not you are participating in the graduation ceremony, where we should send your final transcript and to collect data for this graduating class.

A few VERY IMPORTANT items to pay attention to when completing the survey:

- Question #3 - if you are first attending a branch campus, please list the college on the "2-year college" line.
- Question #5 - MAKE SURE you check the last box under "Send Final Transcript" for the 1 college you will be attending. IF YOU DO NOT CHECK THIS BOX, NO FINAL TRANSCRIPT IS REQUESTED AND NONE WILL BE SENT IN JUNE.

Please read each instruction carefully and complete the survey accurately. **If you do not complete a survey, we will assume you are not participating in the graduation ceremony and no seat will be assigned to you.**

If you have questions about this, please stop by the Guidance Office. Thank you!

**SENIOR FEES - DEADLINE MAY 1**



Any outstanding fee balances need to be paid or payment plans confirmed no later than May 1. Seniors with outstanding fee balances will NOT be able to take part in the 2017 Graduation Ceremony.

**SENIOR ACADEMIC AWARDS/TOP 25 RECEPTION - MAY 3**

# Academic Awards

Please mark your calendars for Senior Academic Awards Night. We invite parents, family members and friends to help celebrate the outstanding accomplishments of the Class of 2017 on Wednesday, May 3 beginning at 6:30 pm in the Gymnasium. Seniors being recognized will receive a letter in the mail inviting them to participate in the Awards Ceremony. Many seniors will be receiving scholarships that evening so invited students should make every effort to participate in the Awards Ceremony.

The Top 25 Seniors in the Class of 2017 will be recognized at a reception immediately before the Senior Academic Awards. The reception is open to Top 25 Seniors and their families beginning at 5:15 pm in the Media Center. Invitations for the event have been sent to the Top 25 Seniors.

## SENIORS - CELEBRATE YOUR COLLEGE ACCEPTANCE!



Seniors, let's celebrate your college acceptances and military enlistments! We want to create a PowerPoint to show which colleges have offered you admittance. This will be updated weekly and shown on the television monitors along Main Street in our building. Please turn in a copy of your acceptance letters or forward/email them to [angela.fisher@lakotaonline.com](mailto:angela.fisher@lakotaonline.com) along with a school appropriate picture.

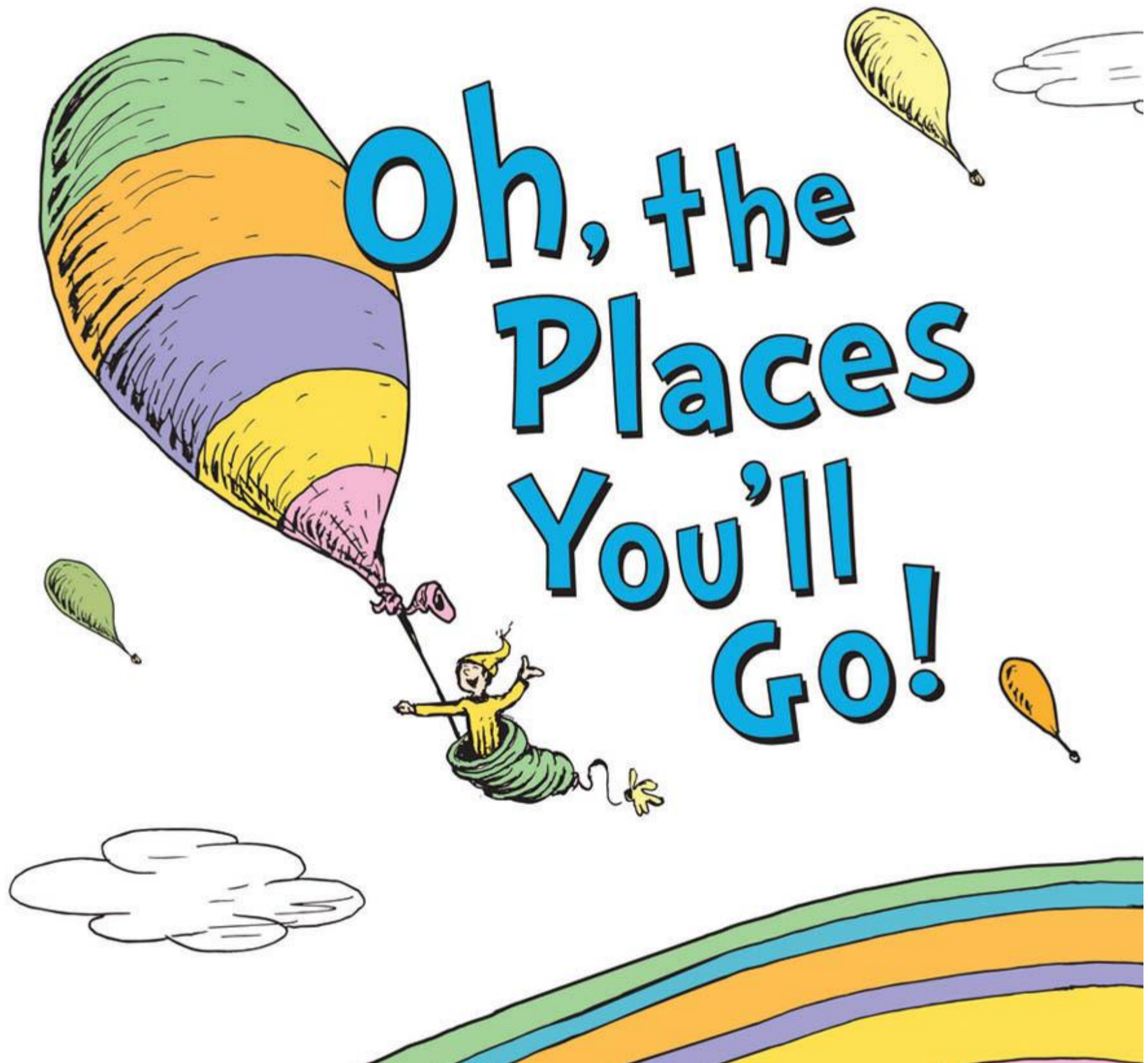
## CAP AND GOWN DELIVERY - APRIL 28



Representatives from Graduate Services will be at East on Friday, April 28 during all lunch blocks to distribute previously ordered caps and gowns. All orders must be paid in full to pick up the caps and gowns. In addition, all school fess must be paid in full in order for seniors to pick-up their cap and gown orders.

Any senior that plans on participating in the Graduation Ceremony that has NOT ordered a cap and gown needs to do so immediately by contacting Graduate Services directly at (513) 272-5890.

**SENIOR  
PLANS.....**



We invite Seniors to share their future plans with everyone via our Oh! the Places You'll Go display on Main Street. Seniors should bring in a wallet size senior picture to the Main Office and fill out the information cards available to share their future college, military or work plans. We look forward to showcasing the diverse future experiences of our graduates!

**SENIOR YEARBOOK SHOUT-OUTS**

It's hard to believe, but in just a few short weeks, your student's stay at Lakota East will be nothing more than a memory. Senior Ads are a tradition among graduating seniors that let them know how much they are cared for. You know your child is amazing – why not show them that in this year's

yearbook? You have the opportunity to let them know how proud of them you are. Your recognition ad will be printed and remembered forever! By purchasing a space in the back of the yearbook you can tell them how special they are with your own pictures and in your own words.

Making your ad is simple. Just fill out the attached form, include the digital pictures you'd like to use, and attach payment. [Return this form, with your pictures, to the front office or to Jennifer Breland in the clinic by May 5, 2017](#) . If you have any questions, please contact Jennifer Breland at 513-759-8616.

# SENIOR SHOUTOUTS

## **SENIOR SIGNING DAYS**

### **Athletic Signing Day - April 26**



The spring athletic signing ceremony will be held on April 26<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 am in the Auxiliary Gym. All students that are interested in participating should pick up information in the athletic office. Please note, this ceremony is for student athletes who did not participate in the winter signing ceremony.

### **Academic Signing Day - April 27**



Please join us on April 27<sup>th</sup> at 7:15 am in the Auxiliary Gym as the Top 25 academically ranked students in the Class of 2017 declare where they will be attending school next year. This exciting event shows the uniqueness of our graduates and highlights their honors during their time at East!

## **SENIOR GRADUATE YARD SIGNS - Show Your #EASTSIDEPRIDE**

Show everyone how proud you are of your Graduating Senior with a Senior Yard Sign. The sale of these high quality yard signs is sponsored by the Lakota East PTSO. SALES ARE UNDERWAY!!!! Don't miss out on your chance to honor your senior in this unique way. [Please see the attached flyer for additional information.](#)



*Old Design Signs  
\$10 each while supplies last!*



*New Design Signs  
\$20 each*

**SENIOR SCHOLARSHIP - TRANSCRIPTS**



Seniors needing transcripts for scholarships should put their request in Naviance. Click on the "colleges" tab, then click "transcripts" on the left side of the page. Select "request transcripts for scholarships or athletics". You can fill out multiple requests if necessary. Be sure to include the name of the scholarship as the "recipient" and the address if it is to be mailed by the Guidance Office. You can add any additional information in the "notes" section, such as "will pick up in office, need test scores, etc."



**PTSO ANNOUNCES BACCALAUREATE CEREMONY**

The PTSO sponsored Baccalaureate Ceremony for graduating seniors will take place Tuesday, May 16 at 7:30pm - Princeton Pike Church of God, 6101 Princeton-Glendale Road, Liberty Township, Ohio. ALL graduating seniors, and their familie,s are welcome, however this is NOT a mandatory event.

*This baccalaureate ceremony has been organized by the PTSO. This event is not endorsed or sponsored by the Lakota Local School District Board of Education. The Lakota Local School District Board of Education has not been involved in the organization, development, promotion or presentment of this ceremony.*

**COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY PICTURES**



Lifetouch Special Events is the official photographer of the Lakota East Commencement Ceremony. Honor your Graduate with Commencement Portraits.

- Every graduate will be photographed multiple times throughout the ceremony.
- Photos will be online at [www.events.lifetouch.com](http://www.events.lifetouch.com) ten days after the ceremony
- Complimentary proofs will be mailed to Graduates
- There is no obligation to purchase

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**CLASS OF 2017 - FINAL DAYS AT EAST**

Friday, May 12	Seniors Last Academic Day at East – Regular 6 bell day schedule
Monday, May 15	<p>Senior Day Activities -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Our seniors can begin the day by taking part in the Senior Car Decorating Contest beginning at 8:15 am. Seniors are invited to be creative and prizes will be awarded.</li> <li>• After the car decorating contest, seniors will take part in a new tradition – the Parade of Graduates. Seniors will board busses to Lakota East Elementary Schools. Upon arriving at the elementary schools, seniors in their caps and gowns will parade through the hallways to show elementary students a glimpse into their future as graduates!</li> <li>• Upon arriving back at East, seniors will return to the theater for Senior 'Let's Make A Deal' Gameshow and the senior slideshow in the theater.</li> <li>• The day will end with the senior picnic in the stadium sponsored by the PTSO from 11:30 am – 1:30 pm.</li> <li>• <b>Students will not be permitted to arrive late or leave early on Senior Day for any reason. Please plan accordingly!</b></li> </ul>
Tuesday, May 16	NO SCHOOL FOR SENIORS
Wednesday, May 17	<p>Graduation Rehearsal.</p> <p>All Seniors planning on participating in the Graduation Ceremony on Thursday, May 18 <b>MUST</b> attend this <b>MANDATORY</b> Graduation Rehearsal.</p> <p>Rehearsal will begin at 9:00 am in the <b>Lakota East Gymnasium</b>.</p>
Thursday, May 18	<p>Lakota East Commencement Ceremony.</p> <p>Cintas Center on the Campus of Xavier University.</p> <p>The ceremony will begin at 7:00 pm. Graduates need to be checked-in no later than 6:00 pm.</p>



