



NORTHEAST EARLY COLLEGE HIGH SCHOOL

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Dear Graduate Candidates and Families,

First, congratulations! Your graduation day has finally arrived as an honor for all the years of hard work. However, before you celebrate, there is some information we need to share with you regarding this event and behavior that is expected.

The Ceremony

Commencement ceremonies are a defining moment in your child's life. Please respect your student and others by remembering that commencement ceremonies are a formal gathering celebrating your child's achievements. As such, please refrain from behavior that will hinder the ceremony or make it difficult to hear those speaking at the podium.

Date: Wednesday, June 4th, 2025

Time: 10:00 am

**Location: AISD Burger Activity Center – Indoor Arena
(3200 Jones Rd, Austin, TX 78745)**

AISD's clear bag policy is in effect for all graduation ceremonies (please see last page). The 2025 Austin ISD Graduation Ceremonies will be broadcast live on [AISD TV](#) Channel 22 on Spectrum, Time Warner Cable, Grande, Google Fiber TV, and AT&T U-verse Channel 99. You can also watch free live stream on Apple TV, Roku, [Facebook.com/austinisd/live](https://www.facebook.com/austinisd/live), and [YouTube](#). Live interpretation will also be provided; Families needing ASL Interpretation will be seated in a designated area for enhanced viewing. Families can scan a QR code and access subtitles during the ceremony on their mobile devices. Families needing Spanish-language translation services will have the option on our Facebook Live stream during the event. Simply scan a QR code at the event using a mobile device and listen on your device with earbuds or headphones. For all other official Austin ISD graduation information and updates visit their website, <https://www.austinisd.org/graduation>.

MANDATORY Graduation Practices in the Large Gym!!!

- **Thursday, May 29th at 1:30-3:30 pm** and
- **Friday, May 30th at 11:30-1:30 pm**

All AISD issued devices and property such as Chromebooks, chargers, bags, hotspots, library books or other checked-out items must be returned. Things to do before check-in: charge the Chromebook, pack the charger neatly and remove all stickers and labels. Any broken, lost or stolen devices must be reported beforehand to the school librarian, replacement fees may apply. Have everything ready to be turned in at check-in.

Wednesday, June 4th Student Directions

Senior students are expected to report to Large Gym at Northeast ECHS starting at 7:45-8:00 am to prepare for the ceremony. Seniors will be shuttled over to Burger Activity Center; shuttle buses will leave no later than 9:00 am.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR PROSPECTIVE GRADUATES

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Seniors should arrive in their graduation attire (see image below) that includes a graduation robe, cap, tassel, and any official regalia awarded by your campus. Heritage stoles may be permitted upon approval. Seniors should submit a photo of their proposed heritage stole for approval by campus administrators. Tassels go on the right side of your cap until the Principal directs you to move it to the left side at the end of the ceremony. No decorated caps, flowers, corsages, leis, money necklaces, Mardi Gras beads, flags, chains, LED flashing lights, etc. are permitted. Messages on your cap, gown, or shoes are **not** allowed. If you have long hair, bobby pins are necessary to secure the cap, which should be worn flat, parallel to the floor (not tilted back or decorated). Students should wear academically appropriate attire (with pockets for keys and cell phones) underneath their gown. Please wear comfortable shoes appropriate for the occasion. Herff-Jones will also be at the graduation site to sell caps and gowns if you did not place an order or if you need a tassel with the Class of 2025.

A major priority of AISD is to ensure equity of opportunity for students. Embedded in this goal is an expectation of consistent actions, procedures, and processes from all campuses. Graduation is a formal ceremony requiring dignity and respect for all in attendance. Individual celebrations with family and friends are the time for more personalized items and decorations.

Northeast ECHS Graduation Attire



Graduation Gown & Heritage Stole Examples



✓ Yes



✓ Yes



✓ Yes



X No

Graduation Cap Examples



✓ Yes



X No

If you are inappropriately dressed or are under the influence of drugs or alcohol, an administrator will not allow you to walk on the stage for your diploma.

Avoid bringing any loose items such as purses, cameras or other portable electronic devices. There will be no area or person to leave personal belongings with for storage or safe keeping.

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Additional Things NOT to Bring

Do not bring backpacks, knapsacks, coolers, banners, signs, flags, balloons, beach balls, laser pointers, silly string, streamers, confetti, glitter, noisemakers, or any other such items deemed prohibited by Austin ISD. This includes PARENTS AND STUDENTS. Please remember this is everyone's graduation not just your own. Be respectful.

Photos

Keep It Digital (<https://keepitdigital.com>) is the official photographer for all AISD Graduation ceremonies. Images are delivered digitally, or you can call 512-217-3177 to order senior graduation photos. Senior students should fill out the digital photo form using the following link below.

⇒ <https://keepitdigital.com/proof-request-form/>



Parking and Transportation

AISD is providing shuttle buses to and from Burger Activity Center beginning 2 hours prior/2 hours after conclusion of ceremony. It is advised that families and (senior) students take the shuttle or arrange to be dropped off at the graduation site. Shuttle pick up and drop off campus site will be located at Nelson Field parking lot. Please visit the following AISD website below for shuttle times.

⇒ <https://www.austinisd.org/graduation/free-shuttle>



Parking tickets are required for parking at Burger Activity Center. There is a charge for on-site parking of \$10.00 prepaid or \$15.00 on-site/day of. Parking is available at Hwy 290 and Jones Rd. entrances. Disabled parking spots and a designated drop-off area will be located in the front of the building. Visit the following link below for online parking ticket purchasing.

⇒ <https://aisd-graduation-parking.ticketbud.com/2025>



Diplomas

High School Diplomas will be distributed over the summer break. Senior students should complete the Senior Contact Form link below to be notified when diplomas are available for pickup.

⇒ <http://bit.ly/4jZht8f>



Graduation will be a wonderful moment for everyone. We are extremely proud of your accomplishment!



Mr. Nathan Neal
Principal

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Clear Bag Policy

Visitors are required to use clear bags at any Austin ISD facility. All guests may be subject to a visual inspection and/or a bag inspection conducted by an AISD staff member.

Approved bags must be clear and not exceed 12 in. (by 6 in. by 12 in.) or be a clear one-gallon resealable plastic freezer storage bag. One per person. Bags must be clear plastic, vinyl, or PVC and have a maximum of one logo imprint not exceeding 4.5 in. tall x 3.4 in. wide. The only non-clear bags permitted are small clutch bags (with or without a strap) that are the size of a hand. Exceptions will be made for medically necessary items after proper inspection at designated areas.



CLEAR BAG POLICY

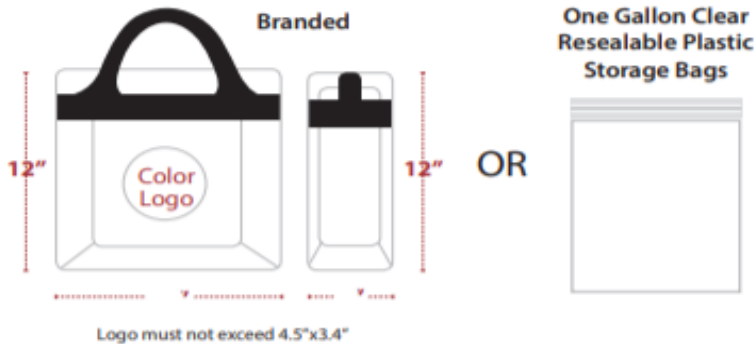
Beginning in August 2018, clear bag policy will be in place for all Austin ISD athletic home events at Burger Center, Delco Center, House Park, Nelson Field and the Noack Sports Complex. Approved and non-approved types of bags are shown below.



APPROVED BAGS

LARGE BAGS

To bring bags to a home athletic event, bags must be clear and not exceed 12 in. (by 6 in. by 12 in.) or be a clear one gallon resealable plastic freezer storage bag. One per person. Bags must be clear plastic, vinyl or PVC and have a maximum of one logo imprint not exceeding 4.5 in. tall x 3.4 in. wide.



SMALL BAGS

The only non-clear bags permitted are small clutch bags (with or without a strap) that are the size of a hand. Exceptions will be made for medically necessary items after proper inspection at designated areas.



NON-PERMITTED BAGS

All non-clear and/or larger than those shown on the left.



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