



# ANCLOTE HIGH SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

The Class of 2017 proudly announces its graduation. The graduation ceremony will be held on **Saturday, May 27, 2017 at 12:30PM at the University of South Florida Sun Dome**. Though the ceremony begins at 12:30PM, students need to report to the Sun Dome by 11:00AM. In order to uphold the dignity of our graduation ceremony and to meet increased security requirements, the University of South Florida Sun Dome and the Pasco County School District will follow the following procedures:

1. All students must attend Graduation practice on Wednesday, May 24 at 8:30 in the AHS gym.
2. Final Graduation Walk list will be posted Tuesday, May 23<sup>rd</sup> by 12:00PM outside of Student Services. If a student is not on this list, they need to contact a School Counselor.
3. Parking lots around the University of South Florida Sun Dome charge approximately \$5.00 for parking. Gate A is closest to an elevator if needed.
4. The graduates must carry their caps and gowns into the University of South Florida Sun Dome. Additionally, they should not bring anything else with them except their caps and gowns. This includes purses and bags as there is no secure location for personal items. Graduates should enter and go immediately to the corral.
5. Students may decorate the top flat surface of their caps, as long as it is in "good taste". All decorum is limited to single dimension (nothing can be hanging or three dimensional).
6. Tickets are not required for entry into the commencement exercises. For seating, your party should arrive at the same time if you want to sit together
7. There is enhanced security guidelines at the USF Sun Dome for 2017 that include:
  - Sun Dome staff will use hand-held metal detector wands on all guests prior to entrance into the facility
  - All purses and bags will be searched
  - No backpacks will be permitted in the Sun Dome
  - If guests want to bring cameras or binoculars, they may not be in cases; cases should be left in vehicles.
8. Balloons, flowers, signs, noisemakers of any kind (including, but not limited to, bull horns, cowbells, whistles and air horns), or laser pointers will NOT be allowed in the University of South Florida Sun Dome
9. Concessions at the University of South Florida Sun Dome may be open before the ceremony begins. Food and drink can be purchased for guests only
10. We recommend having a pre-arranged meeting place set with your graduate and family following the ceremony. Graduates will need to pickup their diplomas following the ceremony in the area reserved for graduates only, then will be able to meet at a designated meeting place immediately following this process

We thank you in advance for your cooperation in making our graduation ceremony a memorable event for our graduates and their guests. If you have any questions or concerns regarding graduation, please contact Mrs. Beatty-Woodall, Assistant Principal, at (727) 246-3000 or e-mail [abeatty@pasco.k12.fl.us](mailto:abeatty@pasco.k12.fl.us).

