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Greetings to the Roswell High School Community,

As many of you know, this year the Fulton County School District is moving all high school commencement ceremonies to off-campus sites. The reason for this is to make sure the ceremonies are not interrupted by inclement weather.

Roswell High School's Commencement Ceremony for the Class of 2019 will be held at the Verizon Wireless Amphitheater on Wednesday, May 22, 2019 at 2:30 p.m.

Over the last few weeks, the school leadership team has been working to develop the schedule for the last two weeks of school. The schedule below considers the moving of the ceremony, the need to hold a graduation practice, Advanced Placement Exams and other factors.

DATE	EVENT	LOCATION
Tuesday May 14, 2018	Yearbook Dedication and Senior Picnic	Roswell High School
Thursday May 16, 2018	1 st & 2 nd Senior Exams	Roswell High School
Friday May 17, 2018	3 rd & 4 th Senior Exams	Roswell High School
Monday May 20, 2018	5 th and 6 th Senior Exams	Roswell High School
Tuesday May 21, 2018	Senior Breakfast Senior Grades Due at 2:00 p.m.	Roswell Chick-Fil-A
	Graduation Practice and Clearance	Roswell High School
	1 st & 2 nd 9-11 Exams	Roswell High School
Wednesday May 22, 2018	5 th & 6 th 9-11 Exams	Roswell High School
	2:30 p.m. Graduation	Verizon Wireless Amphitheater
Thursday May 23, 2018	3 rd & 4 th 9-11 Exams 1:00 p.m. Diploma Distribution	Roswell High School

There are still a lot of questions, such as "How many tickets will each family receive?" As soon as we get additional information we will share it with our seniors. We will be sending the normal "senior letter" with all the information your student needs later this school year.

PSAT Review

Roswell students grades 9-11 will take the PSAT on October 10, 2018. Appelrouth Tutoring, a company that works with Fulton County Schools, has opportunities for FREE PSAT Prep. Please click [HERE](#) for a flyer with more information.

University of Chicago's Outstanding Educator Award

Congratulations to Roswell teacher Christi Chilton who learned that she had been selected by the University of Chicago for the annual Outstanding Educator Award! You can see the entire letter by clicking [HERE](#) but:

"Each year, we invite entering first year students to nominate an educator who has influenced them, challenged them, or helped them along the path toward intellectual growth."

Congrats to Mrs. Chilton and great job!

National Merit Semifinalists

This year, Roswell had four students who were named National Merit Semifinalists! As stated in the [District's press release](#), *announced by the National Merit Scholarship Corporation, this is the first round of competition for students seeking the distinction of being named a National Merit Scholar and receiving the scholarship money associated with it. Finalists will be named in February, and the scholarship winners will be announced beginning in April. The students were identified through exceptionally high scores on the PSAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test, which they took as juniors.*

This year's National Merit Semifinalists for Roswell are:

- Sameer Khan
- Lena Krone
- Grace Rosenblum
- Rachna Sahasrabudhe



Here Comes the Bus

The Transportation Department has contracted with Synovia Solutions to roll out a bus tracking app called “Here Comes The Bus.” The app goes live on Monday, September 17, for all schools and bus riders. “Here Comes The Bus” uses GPS technology to locate and track a school bus. Similar to ride-sharing apps, buses will show up as an icon on a map, and parents can follow its progress as it moves toward their child’s stop.

To sign up, parents need their child’s student ID number and the Fulton County Schools’ code – 87428. The app is free, and parents and students can download it through the Apple App Store and Google Play Store. They also can visit www.herecomesthebus.com to sign up.

More information about the program, including FAQs and troubleshooting information, is posted here: <https://tinyurl.com/HCTBapp>.



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Chorus

Congratulations to Beth Williams and the Roswell Chorus as they performed as a part of the city's 9/11 Memorial last Tuesday. Thanks for representing our school so well on such an important day.



Football

Congratulations to Coach Kemper and the Varsity football team as they beat previously undefeated and #3 ranked Milton 22-20!

As you can imagine, it was a great game played in front of a capacity stadium. RHS Quarterback Ethan Roberts was named MVP of the Rivalry Series and congrats to Jack Whitten as he was recognized as the Scholar Athlete for the Rivalry Series and during the pregame festivities.



You can find out more about the big win by clicking [HERE](#), [HERE](#), or [HERE](#).



Congratulations also to the 9th grade football team as they defeated Lassiter 28-6. Great win!

Cross-Country

Congratulations to the Roswell Cross-Country team as they competed in the Big Peach Mustang Stampede on Saturday. Varsity Boys and Girls had Top 5 finishers while the JV Boys and JV Girls won it all.

Top ten Roswell finishers include:

Varsity Boys:

4. Jack Rhodes

Varsity Girls:

3. Mallie McKenzie

9. Sarah Sandreuter

JV Boys:

4. Christian Cartier

5. Adam Clark

7. Kendrick Wong

8. Thomas Brunner

JV Girls:

4. Lynley Blocker

6. Gabby Gillespie

9. Leah Ehrhardt

10. Kelly Foit

IPAWS Emergency Alert System

On Thursday, September 20, beginning at 2:18 p.m. Eastern Time, there will be a nationwide test of the Integrated Public Alert and Warning System (IPAWS). The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), in coordination with the Federal Communications Commission (FCC), will conduct a nationwide test of IPAWS and its [Emergency Alert System \(EAS\)](#) and [Wireless Emergency Alerts \(WEA\)](#) to (1) assess the operational readiness of the infrastructure for distributing a national message and (2) determine whether improvements are needed.

The WEA system is used to warn the public about dangerous weather, missing children, and other critical situations through alerts on cell phones. It allows customers whose wireless provider participates in WEA and who own a WEA compatible wireless phone to receive alerts of imminent threats to safety in their area through unique tones and vibration. The national WEA test will use the same special tone and vibration.

The WEA portion of the test begins at 2:18 p.m. ET and the EAS portion follows at 2:20 p.m. ET. This test message will be sent to cell phones that are connected to wireless providers participating in WEA, which is why it is important to make state and local school systems aware in advance.

Below is a part of the official press release, which be accessed by clicking [HERE](#):

The EAS test is scheduled to last approximately one minute and is made available to EAS participants including radio and television broadcasters, cable systems, satellite radio and television providers, and wireline video providers. The test message will be similar to regular monthly EAS test messages with which the public is familiar. The EAS message will include a reference to the WEA test: "THIS IS A TEST of the National Emergency Alert System. This system was developed by broadcast and cable operators in voluntary cooperation with the Federal Emergency Management Agency, the Federal Communications Commission, and local authorities to keep you informed in the event of an emergency. If this had been an actual emergency an official message would have followed the tone alert you heard at the start of this message. A similar wireless emergency alert test message has been sent to all cell phones nationwide. Some cell phones will receive the message; others will not. No action is required."

Traffic Control

We are still looking for some law officers to assist with directing traffic in the afternoon. In the meantime, School Governance Chair Amy Jewett asked me to share the article located [HERE](#).

Thank you for all your support. Have a great week!

Sincerely,

Robert

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