

West Tennessee Home Education Association

2016 Graduation Packet



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Dear Graduating Senior,

Congratulations on making it to your final year of homeschooling! We at WTHEA look forward to helping you with your graduation ceremony.

The 2016 Graduation Packet includes:

1. Traditional cap/gown (must order new ones due to variation in colors and textures)
2. Binder for diploma
3. THEA graduation certificate
4. Keepsake program booklet
5. Commencement address
6. 4 – 5x7 photographs: 2 group, 2 with parents presenting diploma
7. One DVD of ceremony
8. Reception following service

Fee does not include announcements.

The Fee for the above list is:

\$200.00 For WTHEA Members

\$235.00 For Non-WTHEA Members

*******The total amount is due at March 7, 2016, meeting at Union University. *******

CUT-OFF DATE:

Please note: Cut-off date for adding additional graduates to the ceremony is **March 25, 2016**. *Any late-comers will be charged an **ADDITIONAL \$50.00**. **WTHEA members' fees would be \$250.00 and non-WTHEA members' fees would be \$285.00.***

****If you know of another senior who would like to participate, please have them call us. We are not given lists of seniors from any organization or school.)**

West Tennessee Home Education Association Graduation

(Keep This Page For Future Reference.)

November 2015 Order invitations (Balfour.com)

March 7, 2016 Graduation Meeting (Mandatory)

Time: 7:00pm

Location: Union University Chapel, Jackson, TN.

This Meeting Is Mandatory for Graduates **AND** their parents to attend.

March 7, 2016 Deadline to register for graduation; after this date, the fee goes up \$50.00.

(For WTHEA Members \$250.00 or for non-members \$285.00.)

March 7, 2016 Deadline for having the information e-mailed to the graduation Coordinator for PowerPoint (we will need four pictures, from birth to current or all current).

In a separate email we need the students Bio & picture for the program.

See last page for description for Bio.

May 13, 2016 Graduation Rehearsal

Time: 6:00pm

Location:

Union University Chapel

1050 Union University Dr.

Jackson, TN 38305

May 14, 2016 Graduation

Time: 1:00pm

Location:

Union University Chapel

1050 Union University Dr.

Jackson, TN 38305

Graduates will need to be there at **11:45am** and ready for the group picture and at the location specified by photographer during rehearsal by 12:00pm.

(Girls: all hair and make-up must be done. Girls & Boys: must have the proper shoes on)

Extra Information

Parents that can, need to assist in one of the following areas for the graduation:

- preparing program booklet for the printer
- power point presentation

During all of our graduation events, please be respectful of Union's property, and also confine your activities to the areas we are using. Please do not smoke on the property.

Table display: We will have an area with tables set up for each graduate to display their accomplishments, projects, etc. throughout the years.

Questions? Please feel free to contact us at

Phone: (731) 784-8117

E-Mail: graduation@wthea.org

Graduation Dress Code

CAPS/GOWNS

Write your name in your cap.

Robes will need *light* pressing.

Tassels hang to right side; move the tassel to the left side after the diploma is presented.

Guys, remove caps during prayer (twice during the program).

LADIES:

White or light colored necklines

The length of your dress cannot exceed the length of the graduation gown.

Must wear black, brown or navy shoes, preferably, closed-toe dress shoes.

No flip-flops (nor sandals resembling flip-flops), tennis shoes or other type of footwear will be allowed.

GENTLEMEN:

White shirts with ties to be worn under the graduation gown (no bow ties)

Dark pants (black, brown, or navy)

Must wear dark shoes

No flip-flops (nor sandals resembling flip-flops), tennis shoes or other type of footwear will be allowed.

No Sunglasses.

Please no chewing gum.

Graduates without the proper attire will not be allowed to participate in the graduation ceremony.

WTHEA 2016 Graduation Application

PLEASE PRINT

Graduate's Full Name for program _____

Parent's Name: _____

Parent's Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Parent's Phone:

Home: (_____) _____ Cell: (_____) _____

E-Mail: _____@_____

Year Family Started homeschooling: _____

Number of years graduate has been homeschooled: _____

Parents,

WTHEA is not responsible for your graduate's diploma; this is a matter between you and your umbrella school. You will need to make sure that all of your student's records are in order with your school at least 7 weeks in advance for you to have the diploma by graduation. (Check with your school for exact time frame needed.) We simply provide the wonderful opportunity of a beautiful graduation ceremony.

By signing below, I agree that both I and my student will abide by the rules, guidelines, and dress code that relate to all of the graduation proceedings, and that I understand my student's high school diploma is between me and the school that I am registered with.

Parent's

Signature _____ Date _____

Please bring this completed form along with a check made payable to "WTHEA Graduation" for the full amount of \$200.00 for WTHEA Members or \$235.00 for non-members to the March meeting. Thank you.

Gown Size _____ Please measure from the top of the graduates head to the floor and add their heel size.

WTHEA Bio For Booklet

Due March 7, 2016 by email only.

Write a brief essay answering the following questions:

Please limit essay to 150-200 words. Include only important information.

1. Plans after graduation (i.e. college, etc.)
2. Any scholarships received for college
3. Member of any significant organizations
4. Volunteer work
5. Awards received in high school (i.e. Eagle Scout, Essay Awards, etc.)

Please be selective with information; essay will be edited to conserve on space as needed.

Also please e-mail a high quality picture that has not been cropped in any form for the booklet along with the essay.