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Dear Future Graduate and families of the Class of 2019,

As we approach graduation, I want to congratulate our Class of 2019 on reaching this important milestone. It has been an honor and privilege to work with you over these past few years.

Sehome's graduation ceremony will be held on **Saturday, June 15 at 2:00 p.m. in the Sehome High School gymnasium**. This is the first year that Sehome will host its own graduation ceremony and we are proud to be part of a new tradition. **We ask that graduates arrive at 1:00 p.m.** Gym doors will open at 1:00 p.m. for seating.

This letter and an End of Year Schedule of Events (Senior Packet) will be emailed home after Spring Break. Please ensure that your contact information in Skyward is correct. Hard copies of the Senior Packet will also be available in the main office after April 10.

It is mandatory that all students, including Running Start students, attend and participate in the graduation rehearsal on **Friday, June 14, from 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. in the Sehome High School gymnasium**. Please plan accordingly to ensure that you attend the required rehearsal.

Admission to graduation ceremony is by ticket only. No exceptions. Each senior will receive 5 tickets. Lost tickets cannot be replaced. Tickets **must be** presented at the door upon arrival. Guests without tickets will not gain entrance into the building. Tickets are required, regardless of age. Extra tickets are dependent upon families returning their unneeded tickets to the school. To facilitate requests for extra tickets, please complete a request at the following pathway on the Sehome High School website (<https://sehome.bellinghamschools.org>), "Families" drop down menu, "Graduation Tickets." If you cannot access this form, please contact Cathy Moran, ASB secretary, [catherine.moran@bellinghamschools.org](mailto:catherine.moran@bellinghamschools.org).

Parking will be available in the east (off Ferry Street) and west (off Bill McDonald Parkway) parking lots. Since Western Washington University's graduation is scheduled for the same date and time as Sehome's graduation, area traffic may be heavier than usual. Please plan your arrival accordingly.

Guests who require accommodated/limited mobility seating may complete a reservation request in the main office at Sehome High School. Reserved seating requests will be available starting April 10 and are due no later than **Friday, May 17, 2019. Requests submitted after May 17 will not be accepted.** Accommodated/limited mobility parking will be available in the east parking lot. Guests wishing to utilize ADA parking must present their accommodated/limited mobility ticket to gain access to the reserved parking spaces.

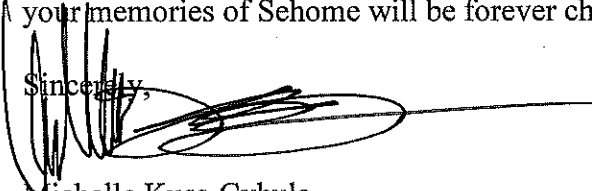
Graduation is a time-honored tradition where family, friends, and stakeholders in your life gather together to celebrate this special day, honoring thirteen years of hard-work, personal growth, and determination. To uphold the values and traditions of our graduation celebration, we ask seniors to present themselves in a mature, respectful, and professional manner. Therefore, we ask our students to wear proper attire from head to toe. Caps and gowns are not permitted to be altered or decorated. Balloons, noise-makers, streamers, signs larger than 2 x 2 in the gymnasium, or selfies on the stage are not permitted.

Graduation gowns must be returned after the ceremony and prior to picking up diplomas. Students themselves are required to return gowns in order to sign for their diplomas.

Please refer to the 2019 Graduation Schedule of Events, which will be sent out by email after Spring Break, for more dates and times relating to senior activities and graduation. Let us know if you have any questions, we are here to help make this as smooth as possible for you and your family.

I want to personally thank you for making my time here at Sehome rewarding. You are an incredible group of talented and compassionate students. Each one of you have brought unique gifts to our school community; you have helped to mold our school culture and values for generations to come. I hope that your memories of Sehome will be forever cherished.

Sincerely,



Michelle Kuss-Cybula  
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