

MVHS SENIOR CLASS CONTRACT

FORM MUST BE SIGNED AND RETURNED TO PARTICIPATE IN SENIOR EVENTS



Participation in all senior activities is a privilege. Students with disciplinary problems may be prohibited from participating in senior activities. If you are not on track to graduate you may also be prohibited from participating.

GRADUATION SUPPLIES – Rhodes Graduation Services is our cap and gown supplier. They will meet with seniors on Friday, September 11, 2026 at 8:30 am. Orders for caps and gowns should be placed online by Monday, September 21. Only a $60 deposit is required to order, and balances can be paid off until February. ***ANY*** *senior who plans to participate in graduation* ***MUST*** *purchase a diploma cover from Rhodes Graduation Services.* It is a part of every cap and gown package or can be purchased on its own. The first time we wear the complete graduation attire is Senior Honors and Awards Day, Thursday, May 13. Visit www.RhodesGraduationServices.com to order.

SR HONORS AND AWARDS– Thursday, May 13 9:00 AM - Proper graduation attire (see reverse) should be worn under your cap and gown. *Arrive at school in your full official graduation attire*. There is nowhere to lock up personal items for seniors. Parents and guests are welcome. Graduates line up at 8:20 am in the auditorium.

GRADUATION CORDS AND STOLES – Must be issued by MVHS/ACCTC and must be on the district approved list. You will pay for cords/stoles with the group issuing honors.

SCHOOL FEES – All other school fees (laptop, books, library, athletics, IDs, parking, registration, past fees, etc.) and Josten's fees must be paid/cleared BEFORE you are allowed to purchase prom tickets. All fees must be paid/cleared by May to participate in senior events & graduation. If you have any unpaid fees, you will NOT receive graduation tickets.

STATE REQUIREMENTS FOR GRADUATION – In order to participate in graduation, students must meet all requirements for the South Carolina High School Diploma, South Carolina Certificate, or a Special Education Certificate. A student must participate in graduation exercises only once.

Graduates must earn a total of 24 prescribed units of credit. The unit requirements are distributed as follows:

English/language arts	4.0	Other social studies course(s)	1.0
Mathematics	4.0	Physical education or Junior ROTC	1.0
Science	3.0	Computer science (including keyboarding)	1.0
U.S. History and Constitution	1.0	Foreign language or career and technology education	1.0
Economics	0.5	Personal Finance	0.5
U.S. Government	0.5	Electives	6.5
		TOTAL	**24.0**

COUNSELING REQUIREMENTS – All seniors MUST complete the following requirements from the counseling department:

- Create a Parchment account
- Provide a post-secondary email address
- Complete a graduation contract with your school counselor

More information about how to complete each of these requirements will be shared with seniors at the senior kickoff and during senior IGP meetings.

MAKE UP SENIOR PICTURES – Thursday, September 17 $25 - Listen to announcements to know when & where to sign up. *Make sure you take a formal photo with Wilson's Studios* ***before October 30, 2026*** *to be included in the yearbook!*

YEARBOOK - Purchase yearbooks ONLINE at www.yearbookforever.com/ Don't wait until spring! Reserve yours now!

BABY ADS - Due Monday, September 21 NOON to Mrs. Gregory or Mrs. Proctor or online by 9/21 at 11:59 PM. NO EXCEPTIONS! Remember to purchase that yearbook so you have a copy of your baby ad.

**Purchasing the baby ad and yearbook are two separate purchases. Purchasing the baby ad does NOT reserve a copy of the book for your senior!

GRADUATION PREP – ALL ARE MANDATORY

GRADUATION MEETING – MANDATORY! Friday, May 21 9:00am – 12:00 pm – MVHS (school dress code). All fees, books, locks, calculators, etc. should be taken care of before the end of school on **THURS 5/20.**

GRADUATION WALK THROUGH – MANDATORY! Tuesday, May 25 - 8:30 am – 1:00 pm - MVHS (school dress code). NO ONE may leave for work or an appointment until all of practice is complete!

GRADUATION PRACTICE – MANDATORY! Wednesday, May 26 - 12:30 pm - *UNTIL* - MVHS (school dress code). NO ONE may leave for work or an appointment until all of practice is complete!

****Graduates are REQUIRED to attend graduation prep to participate in graduation. Two tickets will be deducted for missing the graduation meeting or walk through, four for missing both. One ticket will be deducted for any student who is late for graduation prep. Once the event begins, you are late. Students who arrive more than 30 minutes late are considered absent from the event. Additionally, any student who misbehaves at events will be asked to leave and considered absent. Finally, any student who misses graduation practice will not be allowed to participate in graduation.**

GRADUATION –Thursday May 27, 2027 at 2pm- USC-Aiken Convocation Center. Doors open for guests at 1:00 pm. NO BAGS unless medically necessary will be permitted for the event. Everyone will enter through weapons detectors. Signs, flowers, balloons, and gifts will not be admitted.

Students must attend graduation practice in order to participate in graduation.

Meeting – Friday, May 21, 9-12 (MVHS auditorium!) Walk Through – Tuesday, May 25 8:30 – 1:00 MVHS Gym
Practice – Wed, May 26, 12:30-**UNTIL** (MVHS gym!)
We distribute tickets at graduation practice. The number of tickets each graduate receives is determined by the number in the graduating class. We cannot tell you an exact number of tickets until the spring. Only students who have met the graduation requirements **and** who have cleared all fees will receive tickets to participate in graduation.

PROPER ATTIRE FOR LADIES: Blue cap and gown with orange collar (Josten's)

- School appropriate black dress or skirt that does not hang below the gown (No shorts or slacks are permitted!)
- blouse/top of the dress that does not show at the top of the gown
- **black** dress shoes with **straps** at the heel (Heel height should be what is comfy for the graduate.)
- small earrings and necklaces allowed ***No gum!**



PROPER ATTIRE FOR MEN: Blue cap and gown with orange collar (Josten's)

- **white** long sleeve collared button up dress shirt with black tie (No polos or bow ties!)
- **black** dress shoes and **black** socks (No white socks! No brown boots! No white soles! Sneakers are not dress shoes!)
- **black** dress pants (**No khaki pants!)** ***No gum!**

Note: Any student who misbehaves during the graduation ceremony will NOT receive their diploma at the conclusion of the ceremony. No jewelry, corsages, or insignia may be displayed on the outside of the gown. No grad caps may be decorated. No distracting jewelry is allowed! Only approved pins/stoles are permitted. Do not wait until the end of the year to purchase your attire. Any student needing financial assistance for the purchase of proper attire or your cap and gown, please see a counselor or Mrs. Burton before November.

I have read and understand the information, dates, dress, and conduct rules for seniors. To walk at graduation AND receive graduation tickets, this form must be signed and returned to validate my understanding of all senior rules and expectations.

_____	_____	_____	_____
Student Signature	Date	Parent Signature	Date
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Printed Name		Printed Name	

RETURN THIS FORM TO MRS. BURTON IN 708 NO LATER THAN AUGUST 14, 2026.

