

GRADUATION READINESS



Time Required: 30-45 minutes

Content Standards: AA.S.9 Students will understand safety and survival skills and apply coping strategies.

Indicators (Students will...): AA.PSD.12.9.06 Take responsibility for final preparations for high school graduation.

GOAL: Students will identify the tasks they must complete prior to exiting high school.

Activity Statements: Students will discuss the consequences of not returning items that belong to the school.

Materials:

1. Pen/Pencil
2. Handout – Getting Ready To Check Out
3. School Specific list of obligations
4. School Specific timeline leading up to graduation including:
 - a. Sports/honors banquets
 - b. Senior awards programs
 - c. Senior graduation pictures, practice and ceremony

Procedures:

1. Distribute the handout to the student.
2. Ask students to identify any items that must be returned prior to graduation.
3. Encourage students to brainstorm consequences for failing to return any required items before exiting high school.

Discussion:

1. What does “responsibility” mean to you?
2. How would you feel if you did not receive a cap and gown because you failed to return required items (e.g. books, depts., uniforms, etc) to the school?

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3. Have you completed all exit surveys?
4. Have you completed a final transcript request form
5. Have you completed online LINKS evaluations?

CLOSING STATEMENT: Graduation is quickly approaching and students deserve to be stress free. As you leave high school, it is important that you return all required items, such as, books and uniforms. Remember, taking responsibility and making the commitment to clear your name and debts will enable you to complete the exit process.

Additional Resources:

Parent and Student Information Guide to Senior Year

<http://www.jostens.com/graduation/home.asp>

Extension Activities:

Complete and check off all items on school obligation list. Turn in any last minute work.
Make all necessary preparations for graduation including picking up cap and gown, keeping track of timelines for graduation pictures, practice, performances and YOUR graduation ceremony.
