RIGBY HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR LETTER

April 8, 2024

Dear Parent and Graduate:

Congratulations to you and your graduate! We hope that your son or daughter has found their high school experience rewarding. Please share the following items with your graduate. I have listed the activities in chronological order for you:

**Mid-April 2024** A letter will be sent home to the Parents of Students in jeopardy of not graduating. **All outstanding obligations including attendance, discipline, and fees must be fulfilled by May 17th by 4:00 p.m.**

**May 6, 2024** Ticket sales for graduation begin at Rigby High School**. The tickets are $2.00 each**. Tickets are required for attendance at graduation. The tickets partially cover the cost of renting the BYU-I Center, ushers, etc. The graduate does not need a ticket, but all audience members do. There is ample seating available, but there are no reserved seats. Doors will open at 5:00 p.m. for seating.

**May 4, 2024** Lagoon Trip

**May 11, 2024** Senior Prom

**April 5- May 22 2024** Senior All Night Party Tickets on sale

**May 16, 2024** Senior Awards Night. This is for any senior who received any type of scholarship or award. Tickets will be given to the students as they are invited.

**May 17, 2024** Any obligations of fees, parking tickets, credit, attendance, or discipline must be reconciled by **4:00 p.m.** for a senior to be considered “in good standing” and thereby allowed to participate in the graduation exercises. **Any student with a balance will not be receiving their diploma until the obligation has been paid.**

**May 10, 2024** Grades from coursework done outside of RHS (**this includes all online and ROHS classes**) must be turned in on this day**. This also includes passing the Civics test and the Senior Project.**

**May 14-15, 2024** Senior final exams will be held on these dates.

**May 15, 2024** Student speakers need to clear their speeches with Mr. Shippen by 3:00 PM.

**May 16, 2024** Seniors Last Day. Yearbooks will be handed out. End of Year BBQ.

**May 16, 2024** Senior locker checks and lock check-in.

**May 17, 2024** Senior Sunset

**May 20, 2024** Graduation practice from 9:30-11:00 a.m. **All** graduates are **required to be in** **attendance at both practices**. **No exceptions without conferring and making arrangements with Mrs. Bice or Mr. Shippen ahead of time!** Students need to arrange work schedules so they can be in attendance and know what their responsibilities are for the graduation exercise. Graduates will have a senior breakfast in the RHS Commons beginning **at 9:00 AM**.

**May 22, 2024** Graduation practice at the BYU-I Center on BYU-Idaho Campus from 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Students **do not** need to wear their cap and gowns to practice. They will be putting these items on in the gym area when the lineup begins at 5:30 p.m.

*\*\*Students may* ***not decorate******caps, nor bring any beach balls, silly string, etc.*** *to the graduation exercise. There is also a* ***student dress code for graduation.*** *Gentlemen are to wear a collared shirt, tie, dress pants, and dress shoes. Ladies are to wear a dress/skirt or pantsuit and dress shoes.* ***No flip-flops, casual sandals, or sneakers will be permitted.*** *This is a special occasion to honor the graduates and the community; so please show respect for the event by dressing appropriately. For some students, this will be the only time in their lives that they will participate in such a ceremony.* ***Please instruct guests to refrain from whistles, cow bells, using air horns, or shouting out during the ceremony.******Applause for the graduates is appropriate.*** *The graduation exercise is meant to be a dignified, formal event. There is plenty of time to have celebrations or party activities after the formal ceremony is over.*

**May 22, 2024** The graduation exercise begins promptly at 6:30 p.m. at the BYU-Idaho Center on the BYU-Idaho campus, Rexburg, Idaho. Doors will open at 5:00. Parents and guests should be in their seats by 6:00 p.m. so they can participate in the full program. The processional will begin at 6:15 p.m. **Parking is only available in the outer lots near the temple; please plan enough time to walk from the parking area to the BYU-I Center.** The main entrance to the BYU-I Center is on the southwest corner of the building; we encourage patrons to use this entrance. Limited handicapped and senior citizen parking may be available in the BYU-I Center parking lot.

After the program, parents may greet their graduates in the Upper Gym. **The graduates must turn in their gowns in the Upper Gym after graduation in order to receive their diplomas.**  Therefore, it may be advisable to get pictures taken the day before, if possible.

**Any misconduct by the graduates will result in a delay in receiving their diplomas and other disciplinary actions as needed.**

 If you have any questions regarding graduation or commencement, please contact Mr. Lords, Principal; Mr. Shippen, Assistant Principal; or Mrs. Bice, Senior Class Advisor.

Sincerely,

Mr. Bryan Lords

Principal, Rigby High School