

Class of 2022 Activities

Houston Academy for International Studies

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SENIOR ACTIVITIES AT A GLANCE

College Representatives Visit HAIS	All School Year
See Naviance for dates and times	
Senior Cap and Gown Picture	November 9, 2021

Senior cap and gown pictures will be taken in the Gym.

Students will be able to order additional pictures directly from the company if desired. Students will be able to purchase cap and gown pictures through company.

Attire:

Female: V-neck blouse (no ruffles); simple, stud earrings

Male: button-down collared shirt and black/blue tie; no earrings

Remember: You will want to use these pictures when applying for scholarships. Scholarship committees may see your picture before they meet you. First impression are lasting ones.

Senior Prom May 7th, 2022

Location: Big Brothers Big Sisters (1003 Washington Ave Houston, TX 77002)

Time: 7 PM -10 PM

One (1) prom ticket is included in the senior fees. A senior, however, will only be allowed to attend the prom if **he/she has paid the senior fees in full.**

Guest

The following guidelines apply to tickets for the guest of the senior:

- If the senior attends prom with another HAIS senior, an additional prom ticket will not have to be purchased because each senior will pay for his/her prom ticket in the fees.
- If the senior attends prom with anyone other than a HAIS senior, he/she must purchase an additional ticket for \$75, fill out the Prom Guest Form, and have the guest bring photo ID/Texas Driver's License along with supporting documents to the Senior Sponsor.
- No guest older than 20 years of age will be allowed to attend prom.

Attire:

The prom is a formal, classy affair. Appropriate dress is expected. Provocative dress will not be tolerated. The following guidelines will be strictly enforced.

- Formal dresses and tuxedos are appropriate.
- Short dresses must be appropriate length.
- Shorts may not be worn.
- "Bra type" or "bikini top" dresses will not be permitted.
- Cleavage should the tastefully covered.
- Business suit, dress shirt, tie and dress shoes are
- Tennis shoes will be permitted if they are dressy and clean.

- When in doubt, please see Ms. Devaney.
- These rules apply to HAIS students as well as outside guests.

All guests must abide by the guidelines above.

Conduct

Prom is a school event. All school rules apply to those in attendance. Any person violating these rules will be asked to leave the prom without any refund.

Senior Trip May 25-27, 2022

Camp Allen (3 days and 2 nights)

These activities will be school sponsored events. Seniors must conduct themselves in accordance with school rules. It is imperative that we represent Houston Academy for International Studies to the highest standards. Information on hotel arrangements will be given a month on advance of the trip.

HAIS Commencement June 12, 2022

Time: 7:00 PM

Location: Barnett Fieldhouse, 6800 Fairway Dr., Houston, TX 77087

Graduation Requirements

All Texas Education Agency and HISD graduation requirement must be met before any student is allowed to participate in the graduation ceremony. Students who failed courses needed for graduation will not be allowed to march across the stage even though they may plan to attend summers school to make up the credit(s) or retake the STAAR EOC(s). Questions regarding academic graduation requirements should be directed to Ms. Bradley, School Counselor.

Dress and Conduct for Graduation

It is the responsibility of the candidate to attend graduation with a cap and pressed gown. The following guidelines also apply:

- 1. Caps are to be worn flat on top of the had with tassel on the right.
- 2. All participants should wear business dress.
- 3. Tennis shoes, blue jeans, sweatpants, workout clothes, etc. are not to be worn.
- 4. Students improperly dressed will not be allowed to participate in the graduation ceremony.
- 5. Use of cellphones/electronic devices is PROHIBITED by graduates.

Arrival for Graduation

Students are to assemble at the graduation location an **hour before** the ceremony begins for line-up and final instructions. Family and friends will not be allowed to enter the area where the graduates assemble.

Processional

- 1. The processional will begin promptly.
- 2. Candidates will follow the directions of the floor marshals.
- 3. March behind the person in front, maintaining a steady pace, neither too fast nor too slow.
- 4. Proceed to proper row, seat assignment, and remain standing until all graduates are in place.

Receiving Diplomas

- 1. A professional photographer will take pictures of each graduate as he/she received the diploma on stage. Parents and friends will not be allowed on the main floor.
- 2. The highest honor candidates will receive diplomas first. Other candidates will proceed to the stage as directed. As each candidate's name is called, he/she will:
 - Walk across the stage.
 - Shake hands with the principal.
 - Take the diploma in the left hand and pause for a picture.
 - Shake hands with other dignitaries.
 - Return to his/her seat.
 - Remain standing quietly until the entire row of students return to their seats.

Recessional

Once the official program ends, students will exit in the same manner in which they entered. Parents and guests should remain seated throughout the program.

Senior Trip Notice:

Participation in the senior trip is contingent on successful completion of credits required for graduation, full payment of senior dues, and good attendance. Any student who fails to meet these requirements will not be allowed to go on the trip and will **not be given a refund**.

**As of January 4, 2021, HISD has suspended all field trips until further notice.

Attendance Notice:

If a student receives an NG (No Grade) for a class during the fall 2021 term, the student <u>may not</u> be able to participate in senior activities and will appeal to an attendance committee. For more details, see Ms. Devaney

SENIOR FEES

Package A: Senior Package with Camp Allen

Fees		
PROM TICKET		
One (1) ticket per senior	\$75	
Note: Transfer of prom tickets from student to student is prohibited. Seniors can purchase		
one (1) extra ticket for guest for an additional \$75 (<u>non-HAIS student or underclassmen</u>).		
COMMENCEMENT PICTURES	\$15	
(one 5x7 of graduate receiving diploma)		
PANORAMIC PICTURE	\$16	
SENIOR TRIP- Camp Allen (May 25-27)	\$125	
SENIOR BREAKFAST and AWARDS		
SENIOR T-SHIRT		
TOTAL PER PERSON	\$275	
Additional Expenses – Not Included in Senior Fees		
HCC Tassel (Must be purchased at the HCC Bookstore)		
HCC Core – HAIS will issue	FREE	

Students will pay senior fees through **SchoolPay.com**. Other items (HCC Stole HCC Tassel, and HCC Honor's cord) must be paid in cash or money order. **No personal checks will be accepted.** A receipt will be given immediately upon payment.

SENIOR FEES

Package B: Without Camp Allen

Fees		
PROM TICKET		
One (1) ticket per senior	\$75	
Note: Transfer of prom tickets from student to student is prohibited. Seniors can purchase		
ne (1) extra ticket for guest for an additional \$75 (<u>non-HAIS student or underclassmen</u>).		
COMMENCEMENT PICTURES	\$15	
(one 5x7 of graduate receiving diploma)		
PANORAMIC PICTURE	\$16	
SENIOR BREAKFAST and AWARDS	\$20	
SENIOR T-SHIRT	\$20-25	
TOTAL PER PERSON	\$150.00	
Additional Expenses – Not Included in Senior Fees		
HCC Tassel (Must be purchased at the HCC Bookstore)	\$60	
HCC Core – HAIS will issue	FREE	

Students will be senior fees through **SchoolPay.com**. Other items (HCC Stole HCC Tassel, and HCC Honor's cord) must be paid in cash or money order. **No personal checks will be accepted.** A receipt will be given immediately upon payment.