Senior Activities:

As the year comes to a close, we start to get ready for graduation and all other related activities. It is our hope that the following information will assist you in preparing for the upcoming event.

<u>CAPS & GOWNS</u>: Herff Jones will be sending an invoice with the delivery date of the caps and gowns to each senior's address. Seniors need to pay <u>in cash</u> when picking up their items from JHS. Seniors should take gowns out of the package and hang them up in order to reduce wrinkles. Any questions about your Herff Jones order, call them at 740-357-2160. **NO HAT/MORTARBOARD DÉCOR WILL BE PERMITTED DURING COMMENCEMENT!!

BACCALAUREATE: On Friday, May 19th during period 1, seniors will practice for baccalaureate exercises. Baccalaureate will be held **Sunday, May 21st at 7:30 p.m. in the high school gymnasium**. Baccalaureate exercises for Jackson High School seniors this year are under the sponsorship of the Jackson Ministerial Association. Attendance is voluntary. Baccalaureate seating is available on a first-come, first-serve basis. **Seniors are to meet at 7:00 p.m. in the field house with caps and gowns.**

SENIOR BREAKFAST: On **Friday, May 26**, senior students and senior mothers are invited to attend a senior breakfast at **7:15 a.m.** in the **high school cafeteria**. Seniors should report to the gymnasium by 7:00 a.m. The Cereta Coll Senior Breakfast originated in 1954 when Mrs. Coll's oldest son graduated and has become an annual tradition. The mothers of the seniors serve the breakfast, which consist of doughnuts and beverages. All seniors and their mothers are welcome to attend. This event is for senior students and their mothers only. This is not a family event. Please try to honor this JHS tradition. Preferred attire is a white dress for girls and white shirts and black slacks for boys; however, any student is still welcome to attend.

SENIOR ASSEMBLY: Following the senior breakfast, seniors will continue their activities with the senior assembly. This will last approximately one hour. Parents are invited to attend and should sit in the upper level of the gymnasium. **Immediately following the senior assembly, seniors will practice for commencement.**

COMMENCEMENT: Commencement practice will be held immediately following the senior assembly. To avoid any unnecessary distractions, all parents and guests will be asked to vacate the practice areas. Weather permitting, commencement will be held on the football field and tickets will not be required. If the weather is threatening, commencement will be held in the gymnasium and tickets will be required to attend. Each senior will be issued eight (8) tickets during commencement practice. If commencement is inside, seating is limited.

Arrangements for Handicapped Seating Must Be Made Prior To Ticket Distribution. Please contact the high school office between May 1st – May 5th to make accommodations. Students who need more than eight (8) tickets, must sign up in the high school office between May 1st – May 5th requesting additional tickets. Additional tickets will be distributed in as equitable a manner as possible. Following commencement practice, seniors will be dismissed until graduation. On graduation evening, May 26, seniors are to meet in the field house with caps and gowns at 6:30 p.m. Commencement begins at 8:00 p.m.

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PICTURES:

Lifetouch Studios, will be available for commencement pictures. Each senior will be photographed receiving his/her diploma and a proof sheet will be mailed home for ordering. The senior class group picture will be taken at 7:00 p.m. and will also be available on the proof sheet. Any senior wishing to purchase a family picture can make an appointment by calling Mrs. Walker at 740-286-7575 ext. 3026 or by emailing her at lwalker@jcs.k12.oh.us. Family picture appointments will be from 6:00-7:00 p.m. and those pictures will also be included on the proof sheet. At 8:00 p.m. the seniors will proceed to the designated area for the graduation ceremonies.

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<u>Senior Students</u> <u>Commencement Line-up</u>

All graduating seniors will be placed in a line-up order for the Commencement exercises. Any student who does not wish to attend or participate in the exercises will have their name excluded from the Commencement line-up only. Graduates names will appear in the Commencement program.

Please sign and <u>return this notice</u> to the <u>high school office</u> by <u>April 14</u>, if you <u>do not</u> wish to participate in the Commencement exercises.

<u>NOTE</u>: Diplomas of non-participants will be made available for pick up, in the high school office, starting June 2, 2017.