



OWOSSO PUBLIC SCHOOLS

May 21, 2025

Dear Owosso High School Class of 2025 and Owosso Families,

After careful consideration, we have made the decision to hold the Owosso High School Commencement Ceremony **in the Owosso High School Gym on Thursday, May 22, 2025, at 7 p.m.** Please read the following important details carefully.

Graduation Practice will take place on Thursday, May 22. at 9 AM in the OHS gym.

1. Graduates are to report directly to the gym as we will begin promptly at 9 AM.
2. Families and guests will not be permitted into the building during school hours for graduation practice.
3. OHS staff will distribute **SEVEN** admission tickets to each graduate **at graduation practice.**
4. It is requested that graduates who will not use all seven admission tickets please return unused tickets to staff for redistribution. Unused tickets will be available on a first come, first serve basis on Thursday, May 22, from 11 AM to 2 PM in the OHS main office. Please call the OHS office at 989-723-8231 to inquire.

Graduate Arrival for the Ceremony:

1. Graduates will report at 6:30 PM to the Owosso **MIDDLE** School gym.
2. Mrs. Van Epps and Mr. VanDuser will organize and assemble the graduates into the processional order at 6:40 PM.
3. Mrs. Laskowski will coordinate the distribution of graduates' name cards.

Admission Tickets:

1. **SEVEN** admission tickets to the gymnasium will be distributed for each graduate. (This is due to fire code and occupancy limitations.)
2. Guests without tickets will be able to view the ceremony in the Performing Arts Center (PAC). This overflow seating will NOT require an admission ticket.

Family & Guest Accommodations:

1. Available parking lots include the OHS main lot, the OMS lot, the west PAC parking lot, and the north lot (near the cafeteria).
2. Guest entrances for the ceremony: door 8 (OHS athletic entrance), door 42 (west side of building off the OMS parking lot), and door 20 (PAC) west entrance.
3. Toddlers may sit on a parent's lap without needing a ticket.

Overflow Viewing:

1. Guests without admission tickets can view the graduation ceremony in the PAC, where the event will be broadcast in real-time. Please enter through door 20, which is the PAC west entrance.

Handicap Seating:

1. On each side of the OHS gym, a row of folding chairs will be placed for guests requiring handicapped seating. The first row of bleachers will also be reserved for one other person to accompany each

handicapped guest. All others will be expected to use general admission seating. This is to provide ample opportunity for fair access to handicapped seating.

2. Handicap seating is also available in the PAC.

Hearing Impaired / Interpretation Services:

1. For hearing-impaired guests, an interpreter will be located in front of the stage in the gym on the west side of the floor.
2. It is recommended that hearing-impaired guests seat themselves in the northwest section of the gymnasium for optimal viewing of our interpreter.

Graduates and Guests Post-Ceremony Information:

1. At the conclusion of the ceremony, graduates will exit the gymnasium through the “Teacher Tunnel” on the northeast corner of the gym and enter the OHS cafeteria directly across the hall to pick up their diplomas, drop off their cords and celebrate with families and guests.

Thank you for your understanding and flexibility. We look forward to honoring our graduates!

Go Trojans!

Mr. Steve Brooks

Superintendent

Dr. Dallas Lintner

Owosso High School Principal