

Summer 2018

Hurray! Your child is now a senior! There are lots of things to know and do as you prepare for this epic event. We want to help make your preparations less confusing; please hang on to this to aid you as questions arise.

Senior Portraits:

All senior pictures that appear in the yearbook **MUST** be taken by Leary's Photography. Please note: this is a difference from recent years that will allow the *Hi-Times* staff to ensure the quality of the photos, and there will be no exceptions to this policy. Their studio is located in Greenville, where you may elect to schedule an appointment, and they will also make several visits to take pictures at Mercer High School to make this more convenient for you. You will not be charged for a senior yearbook picture, and you may opt to have your other senior pictures taken there or elsewhere. When choosing which photo Leary's should send to us, please consider the following:

- Head and shoulder shots work best.
 - Vertical pictures work best.
 - Props are allowed, as are casual shots; however, no other people may appear in the senior photo.
 - Pictures are printed in color and must be taken by Leary's by **December 20, 2018**.
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Graduation Ads:

Not sure what a grad ad is? Take a look at the back of a yearbook for a tear-jerking experience! You, too, can create a permanent, special message for your senior. All you have to do is fill out the form (coming this fall), choose a picture, pay the fee, and turn it in with your meaningful message. The yearbook staff will take care of the rest. Information and pictures must be received by **November 21, 2018**.

Yearbooks:

Yearbook purchases are made online and by mail only. Jostens will be sending mailers with more details. Additionally, their website is jostensyearbooks.com. Please know that no extra yearbook are ordered, so the best way to make sure your student receives this important piece of memorabilia is to order yours in the fall. (This makes a great Christmas present if you are an early shopper!)

This is sure to be an exciting year as you and your child celebrate an important milestone! The best way to enjoy it is to **PLAN AHEAD!**

August:

- Get professional picture by Leary's taken before the school year starts.

June-December

- Get your senior ad organized and submitted by Thanksgiving break.
- Make arrangements to purchase a yearbook by going online to jostensyearbooks.com or completing the mailer sent home in October.

If you have any questions, please contact me at kwatson@mercerc.k12.pa.us.

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