



Highlanders

McLean High School
Senior Parent Meeting
Thursday, March 6,
2025
8:30 a.m.



Welcome & Introductions



Ellen Reilly - Principal

Jeff Barham - Assistant Principal

Jenna Jablonski - Director of Student Services

Renee Yates - Class of 2025 Sponsor

Mary Barnes - College & Career Specialist

Agenda

- Senior Dues & Obligations
- Student Graduation Speaker
- Highlander Internship Program (HIP)
- End of Year Events:
 - Prom
 - Senior Trip to Hershey Park
 - Senior Exam Schedule
 - Graduation Rehearsals
 - Convocation
 - Baccalaureate
 - Graduation
 - All Night Graduation Party (ANGP)



**Senior Packet was emailed Friday, February 21st to parents

Senior Dues

\$100

Cover cap and gown, diploma cover, tassel, rental of Constitution Hall, and other graduation costs

Senior dues should be paid no later than Friday, May 9, 2025. Payment accepted through MySchoolBucks.

***Families who are unable to pay their senior dues due to financial hardship should contact their counselor. All conversations will remain confidential.*



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Senior Obligations



Can be due to senior dues, lost/damaged textbook dating back to freshman year, course fee(s), parking fees, library fees, AP testing fees, etc.

Emails will be sent to students and parents who owe obligations.

All financial obligations must be paid for students to receive diploma, cap, gown and tickets for graduation.

Student Graduation Speaker

Seniors interested in becoming our student speaker should submit their proposed speech to Jenna Jablonski in Student Services by **Friday March 14th**. The proposed speech should be **3-4 minutes** in length and should communicate words of reflection on their years at McLean HS and their outlook for the future of the Class of 2025. All proposed speeches will be reviewed by a committee of senior students and administrators. The selected finalists will then have a chance to deliver their speech to the selection committee so that a final decision can be made.

Questions should be directed to Ms. Jenna Jablonski, jmjablonski@fcps.edu in the Student Services office.

What is HIP?



- Created at the request of the Class of 2017
- Opportunity to explore a possible area of interest in college and provide experience that will be beneficial in the future
- Monday, May 12 - Friday, May 23
 - 10 day internship
 - 70 - 80 hours
- Student grades will be calculated as of work turned in by Friday, May 9, 2025.
 - Exceptions include Performing Arts rehearsals, dual enrollment courses, online courses, SOL requirements
 - Students will be exempt from final exams given during the final exam window for seniors
 - Teachers may not have graded work turned in prior to HIP start date
 - Students will attend AP exams on the regularly scheduled exam dates, which may be during the HIP window

Eligible Students



- 1) A 3.0 cumulative GPA at the 7th semester. Students must have a C or higher as a cumulative grade in each class at the end of the third quarter.
- 2) No more than six absences during the second semester until the internship starts, **excluding school-related activities** and two days allotted for college visits.
- 3) No more than 9 unexcused tardies per 3rd and 4th quarter.
- 4) Teacher signatures, counselor signature, and Mr. Barham's signature are required to show that student is in good standing regarding attendance, discipline, and grades.
- 5) Completion of the HIP Application Packet (available soon); can be turned in starting Monday, April 7, 2025, absolutely **due no later than Friday, April 11, 2025**.

Application



All paperwork will be found on the McLean HS website under Student Life - Senior Events.

Senior Events

- 1) Internship proposal
- 2) Parent/Student signatures
- 3) Sponsor commitment form
- 4) Teacher signatures

HIP Timeline



- 4/1 - 4/4: Secure teacher approvals
- 4/7 - 4/11: Turn in applications in the Main Office
- HIP Committee members will divide and review application packets
- Wednesday 4/30: Approved participants will be notified
- Thursday 5/1: Mandatory HIP Information Meeting for approved participants during HT
- Monday, 5/12 - Friday, 5/23: Internship dates
- Friday, 5/30: Presentations

What will be accepted?

- Current place of employment
- This is not a paid experience
- Immediate family as supervisor
- Internship can not be remote
- Internship can not be outside of the DMV
- You cannot do multiple internships



Prom

Saturday, May 17, 2025

Hilton McLean Tysons Corner

7920 Jones Branch Drive, McLean, VA 22102

8:00 pm - 11:30 pm

Tickets will be available through MySchoolBucks starting Monday, April 7 - Tuesday, May 13 at 3:00 p.m. and the cost will be \$65.

Tickets can be picked up during all lunches Wednesday, May 14 - Friday, May 16 (please be sure to print out and bring your receipt from MySchoolBucks when picking up tickets)

**Volunteers needed! Please email Annie Daggett aadaggett@fcps.edu



Senior Trip to Hershey Park



Thursday, May 29 (approximately 7:30 am - 8:30 pm)
Hershey Park, PA

Ticket cost is \$90.00. Purchase through MySchoolBucks.

Must take bus in order to attend AND turn in hard copies of the two forms on Class of 2025 Schoology page by Friday, March 28.

**Trip dependent on enough interest from seniors to attend

Senior Exam schedule



For all seniors in HIP, the last day of school is Friday, May 9.
Seniors participating in HIP are exempt from final exams
(Exception: DE classes, Academy classes, Online Campus classes, etc.)

Tuesday, May 20 - Periods 5 and 7

Wednesday, May 21 - Periods 4 and 6

Thursday, May 22 - Periods 1 and 3

Friday, May 23 - Period 2

***Seniors are released from school following their exams.*

End of Year Senior Events



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Wednesday, May 28 - Graduation Rehearsal # 1 (starts at 8:30 am)

Friday, May 30 - HIP Presentations (8:00 a.m. - 8:45 a.m.), Convocation (starts at 9:45 am), Senior BBQ on tennis courts after Convocation

Monday, June 2 - Graduation Rehearsal #2 (starts at 8:30 am)

Monday, June 2 - Baccalaureate at the Lutheran Church of the Redeemer (starts at 5:00 pm)

Tuesday, June 3 - Graduation at DAR Constitution Hall at 2:30 pm

Tuesday, June 3 - ANGP at McLean (11:00 pm - 4:00 am)

Senior Survey



- Two upcoming surveys for seniors
 - McLean Survey (coming soon!)
 - Enlisting military, ROTC, or attending a military service academy
 - Eagle Scout or Gold Award
 - Include post-high school plans in The Highlander and on our bulletin board
 - FCPS Senior Survey
 - Indicates postsecondary plans, where to send final transcript
 - Complete at graduation rehearsals, prior to receiving grad tickets

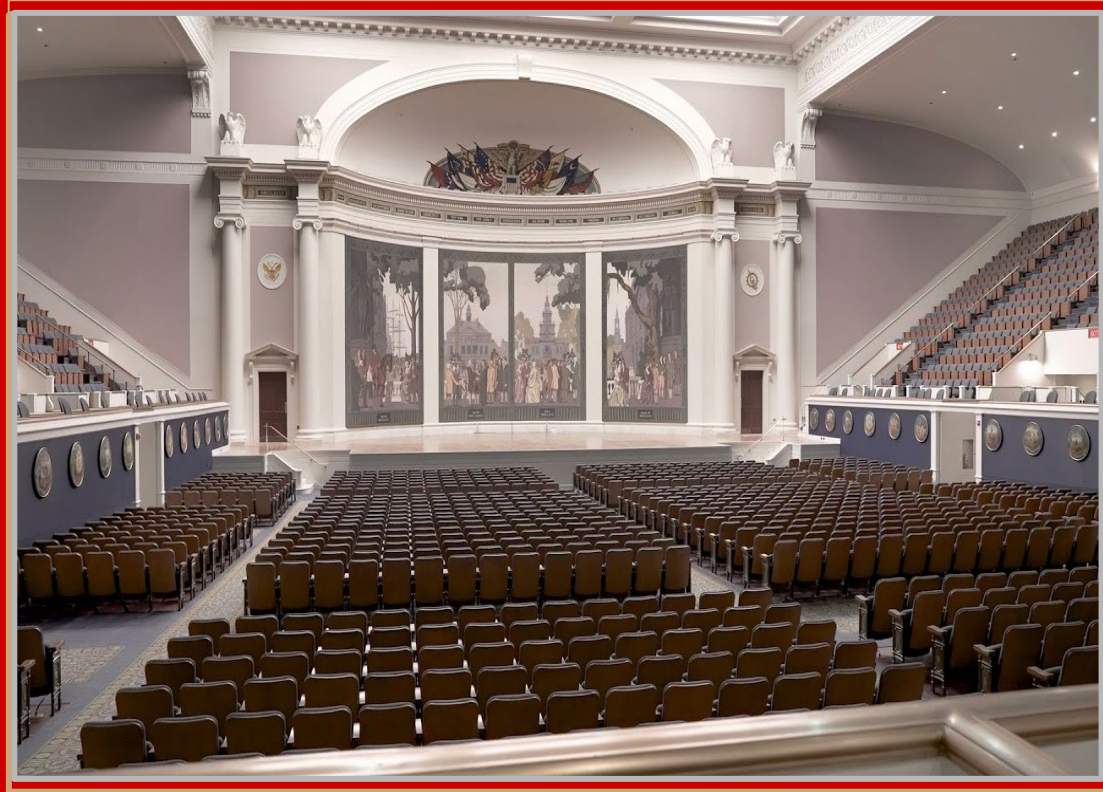
Graduation Updates

Tuesday, June 3

DAR Constitution Hall

2:30pm

Senior letter with
graduation information was
sent Friday, February 21



Graduation

Tuesday, June 3, 2024 at 2:30 at DAR Constitution Hall

Students should arrive at McLean no later than 12:30 pm.

Students **MUST** ride the bus from McLean HS to DAR, can return to McLean on bus after ceremony (optional)

Doors open to the public 60 minutes prior to the start of graduation. You will not be permitted entrance to DAR if you arrive late.

Dress code

Plan a place to meet outside DAR following ceremony



All Night Graduation Party (ANGP)



The Class of 2025 ANGP is a fun, safe way for us to celebrate with our graduates. The event will include DJ, games/activities, live entertainment, food, prizes/giveaways, and much more. Please encourage your Senior to attend the celebration and purchase their ticket now at the early bird price before the price increases. Tickets on sale now.

Multiple Ways to Support:

- Yard Signs
- Prize/ Gift Card Donations
- Monetary Donations
- Planning/ Event Volunteer
- Other Fundraising Opportunities Coming Soon!

Methods to Access ANGP Information/Purchases

1. Link: app.givebacks.gives/mclean2025ANGP
2. Text "2025ANGP" to (919) 626-3277
3. QR Code





ANGP Contacts

Interested in sponsoring or helping with ANGP?

Have questions? Email Pamela Williams at
angp@mcleanptsa.org

Thank You!

Congratulations to all seniors and their families!

Let's make the end of the year and graduation a time to remember!



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