## **CODE OF CONDUCT FOR PPHS GRADUATION – 2023**

(cut and return completed **<u>bottom</u>** portion to Mrs. Bradley in D6 by May 5<sup>th</sup>)

In preparation for graduation, a momentous occasion in the lives of seniors, the faculty and staff of Pinellas Park High School feel that certain responsibilities must be met so that the rights of all participants and their guests will be preserved. Each student participating in the graduation has the right to expect a dignified ceremony and to be properly recognized without interference.

All students and their invited guests are expected to conduct themselves in a manner that will contribute to the best interests of the graduating class. To ensure the above-mentioned rights, the following actions will be considered improper. Any person participating in improper behavior or dress shall be subject to disciplinary action, which may include removal from the graduation exercise and/or withholding of the diploma.

## **IMPROPER BEHAVIORS:**

- 1. IMPROPER NOISES OR DISTRACTION BEFORE OR DURING THE CEREMONY
- 2. BEING UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF ALCOHOL OR DRUGS
- 3. DETONATING ANY EXPLOSIVE DEVICES OR TOSSING INFLATABLES
- 4. GIVING OBSCENE, SUGGESTIVE OR DISRESPECTFUL GESTURES
- 5. <u>THROWING OF CAPS DURING OR AFTER THE CEREMONY (tossed caps will be kept at school</u> and parent must meet with Mr. Patterson to collect it); they can harm other students.
- GRADUATES ARE NOT PERMITTED TO HAVE CELL PHONES DURING THE CEREMONY. Please leave your electronic devices with a family member. Cell phones <u>WILL</u> be taken at check-in if you bring it.

## **IMPROPER DRESS:**

Anything other than what is described below shall be considered improper dress for seniors. Honors cords and CJA, First Responders, Coast Guard and NHS stoles are permitted.

## **DRESS CODE:**

- 1. Female graduates shall wear black dress shoes and the red gown and cap with tassel. Any color dress or skirt/blouse. **NO ADDITIONS TO GOWN, CAP, TASSEL, OR HAIR ARE ALLOWED.**
- 2. Male graduates will wear black shoes and socks, black dress slacks, white dress shirt and tie, and the blue gown and cap and tassel. NO ADDITIONS TO GOWN, CAP, TASSEL, OR HAIR ARE ALLOWED.

If you are <u>not</u> planning to walk in the ceremony, please notify Mrs. Bradley (D6) or Mrs. Larson (Guidance) immediately.

(CUT on the dotted line above AND RETURN completed BOTTOM PORTION by May 5<sup>th</sup> to Mrs. Bradley in D6). Keep top portion for your information.

I have read the Code of Conduct for Graduation 2023 and commit to following all the guidelines.

Graduate name

*Graduate signature* 

date

Parent/guardian name

*Parent/guardian signature* 

date