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Director of Alternative Education

KERN HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT ALTERNATIVE EDUCATION COMMENCEMENT

Dear Parent or Guardian,

The Alternative Education Commencement Ceremony for students who have completed the Kern High School District Graduation requirements is on May 27, 2025, at 7:00 pm at the *Mechanics Bank Arena Convention Center* Bakersfield. You are receiving this letter because your student, with good attendance and passing grades in all classes, can participate in the commencement ceremony.

To participate in this commencement ceremony, your student must do the following:

- 1. Notify the site administrator at the school site by May 16, 2025, that your student will be participating in the commencement ceremony being held on Tuesday, May 27, 2025.
- 2. Order your students' caps/gowns through Jostens, located at 1612 20th Street, between the hours of 3:00–6:00 PM, Tuesday–Thursday, or call 661-324-8529 to make an appointment. All Continuation sites wear the cap and gown of their school site. Only approved caps & gowns will be allowed at the ceremony. **Graduates are not allowed to alter their caps or gowns, nor wear additional items.**
- 3. All graduation requirements must be completed by May 16, 2025.
- 4. Pay all money owed by Friday, May 16, 2025. Tickets will be distributed by your student's School Site Administration. Students will receive 5 tickets upon completion of graduation requirements.
- 5. Graduates must attend a mandatory practice on Tuesday, May 27, 2025, at 5:30 pm at the *Mechanics Bank Arena Convention Center* and must remain until the commencement ceremony concludes. Commencement will begin promptly at 7:00 pm.

No balloons or air horns are allowed inside the Convention Center

If you have any questions about the May 27, 2025, Commencement Ceremony, please contact your School Site Administrator.

Congratulations on your student being a potential graduate. We are looking forward to recognizing your student at our May Commencement Ceremony.

Regards,

Mike Mullings, Th. D.

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The Kern High School District (KHSD) is committed to ensuring equal, fair, and meaningful access to employment and education services. KHSD prohibits discrimination, harassment (including sexual harassment), intimidation, or bullying in any employment practice, education program, or educational activity on the basis and/or association with a person or group with one or more of these actual or perceived characteristics of age, ancestry, color, ethnic group identification, gender, gender identity or expression, genetic information, immigration status, medical information, national origin, physical or mental disability, parental status, political affiliation, pregnancy and related conditions, race, religion, retaliation, sex, sexual orientation, military or veterans status, homelessness, foster status, affiliation with Eb gy Scouts of America and other designated youth groups, or any other basis prohibited by California state and federal nondiscrimination laws consistent with Education Code 200 and 220, Government Code 11135, and Title IX. If you believe you have been subjected to discrimination, harassment (including sexual harassment), intimidation, or bullying you should contact your school site principal and/or the District's Equity Compliance Officer and Title II/ADA, Title IX, and Section 504 Coordinator, Melissa Jimenez, 5801 Sundale Avenue, (661) 827-3173, melissa_jimenez@kernhigh.org. A copy of KHSD's Uniform Complaint policy and Nondiscrimination policy are available at www.kernhigh.org and upon request.