May 10, 2013

Dear Families of our 2013 Graduating Seniors,

You are invited to be a part of the 2013 El Camino High School Commencement Ceremony on Wednesday, June 12 at 5:30 pm in the Herb Meyer Stadium. For your convenience the stadium gates will open at 3:00 pm.

2013 Graduation Goal: To celebrate the once in a lifetime accomplishment of our graduating seniors with family and friends while ensuring everyone’s safety before, during and after the ceremony. We want the event to be SAFE (e.g. traffic, parking and crowds), CLASSY (e.g. no horns, confetti, balloons, alcohol, craziness) and MEMORABLE (e.g. unforgettable, tasteful, stylish and elegant).

Parent and Family Expectations:
- Please prioritize immediate family for attendance so everyone can have a seat
- Encourage car-pooling to reduce traffic
- Encourage taking the shuttle bus from our off-site parking locations. Transportation will begin at 3:30 pm.
  - Designated Parking Locations: Ivey Ranch Elementary (70 Spaces), MLK Park (150 Spaces), King Middle School (110 Spaces), Church of Latter Day Saints (270 Spaces), San Luis Rey Mission (200 Spaces), and El Camino High School Student Lot (340 Spaces)
  - Handicapped parking will be available in the El Camino High School upper staff lot with shuttle service
- Please arrive early to reduce crowding at the gates; gates will open at 3:00 pm
- All personal belongings subject to search
- Please limit seat-saving (placing of blankets, etc.) to no more than 4 spaces
- Please remain seated for safety and fairness to all attendees
- No sitting in aisles or blocking walkways or exits
- Please remain off the field until the conclusion of the graduation ceremony
- No high heel shoes on the field or track and no confetti due to the damage they may cause
- No confetti, silly string, horns or noise makers
- No balloons, stuffed animals, signs, etc. as to not obstruct the view for others
- No ice chests, food or beverages (water and food will be sold via our Boosters)
- Be courteous and respectful to all

Graduating Senior Expectations:
- Participate in rehearsal, be orderly, cooperative, and prompt
- Act with class and dignity; be respectful of everyone
- All students subject to search
- Appropriate business casual attire (no flip flops, high heels, or inappropriate items)
- No gowns should be worn into the gym and everyone will be searched before entering the gym
- Once you have entered the gym you will not be allowed to leave
- No purses, backpacks and other personal items allowed in the gym
- No balloons, beach balls, confetti, food or gum
- No alcohol or drugs
- No getting up from your seat and “high fiving” or greeting friends during the ceremony
- Any inappropriate behavior will result in being escorted to the rear of the seating area or removed from the stadium
- Misconduct during Graduation will result in being ineligible to participate in the Grad Night trip

I appreciate everyone’s cooperation and look forward to being part of my second graduating class that has been instrumental in creating our “Home of Scholars and Champions” environment at El Camino High School. Let’s make this an extraordinary event. Wildcats will come in with class and leave with class.

Thank You,

Mr. Bob Rowe