

June 11, 2021

Dear Charter Arts Families,

As we close the books and begin to reflect on one of the most challenging and groundbreaking years in education, our Administrative Team continues to be amazed by the resilience and creativity of the Charter Arts Community. The experiences that make Charter Arts unique have looked very different this year. This reinvention is a testament to the forward-thinking way we approach education. From dance class in the living room to Literary Arts “Lodge” readings online, we adapted and persevered. We created virtual orchestra pieces with over thirty students playing individually and beside their peers and embraced improv and individuality. This year more than ever, we embraced and celebrated the artistic process. Thank you to every single Charter Arts family for sticking by us and supporting our young artists. We are so grateful to have all of you as members of our community!



We are so very excited to celebrate the Class of 2021! As previously shared, our graduation celebrations will be in the PNC Plaza open-air tent at ArtsQuest, located next to the visitors center and the iconic SteelStacks on Tuesday, June 15th. Each graduate will receive important items at graduation rehearsal on Monday, including 4 tickets along with their cap and gown, yard signs, tee shirts, and any other items needed for the ceremony.



Graduates, please be sure to take a picture with our new CONGRATULATIONS banner on the 3rd Street side of the building on the pocket park fence! Post your pictures to social media with the hashtag #charterartsclassof2021

The Senior Soiree is Monday night!

Tickets will be available until Sunday at 3 PM at this [LINK](#).

Please see our [May 17th Communication for the Class of 2021](#) for more graduation details.

Our 2021 Graduation will also be live-streamed from our events webpage: www.CharterArtsEvents.org.
There is a link to the Commencement livestream at the top of the page.
Videos of the ceremony will also be available following the ceremony on the same website.

ITEM DROP OFF

Before leaving for the summer, all students are required to return their school-issued Chromebook and charger, unless it is needed for summer credit recovery, as well as any other Charter Arts property.

If you still have Charter Arts property to return, an official drop off day is being scheduled for seniors on June 14th. It is important that all remaining Charter Arts property is returned during this time to avoid fine(s) being issued in PowerSchool. For all other grades, you received an email communication on May 21st that outlined your drop off dates and times. You will receive a text and email reminder this Sunday as well. In general, 10th grade drop off is June 14th, alphabetically by last name and 9th and 11th grade are June 15th by last name. Please refer to that communication for more information.

- drop off for last names A - F is from 9:00am-11:00am
- drop off for last names G - N is from 11:00am-1:00pm
- drop off for last names O - Z is from 1:00pm -3:00pm

Seniors may drop off their items either before or after their scheduled graduation rehearsal time slot. Please pull up in your car at the Columbia Street entrance. We ask in advance for your patience. If you are unable to come to the school to drop off your items on the 14th, a second drop off day has been scheduled on June 15th as an alternate time from 9am until 5pm, only for those who could not arrive during their scheduled time. Please make every effort to return your items on your designated date and time.

It is important that we are able to identify the returned items by student name in order to avoid fines being assigned to your student's account.

- Please be sure that the student's name is written on a piece of paper and affixed to each item returned.
- Bag or box the items up together, if possible, and mark the bag or box with the name of the student as well.

SENIOR EMAIL ACCOUNTS

Network and email accounts for graduating seniors will be closed at the end of the school day on June 30, 2021. Information on how to migrate away from Google Email can be found on Google [here](#).

You will NOT be able to access your school email account after June 30th. Please be sure to transfer any information out of your account that you might need or wish to access in the future. Please let Mr. Krug or Ms. Levernier know if you have any questions.

DIPLOMA PICKUP

Graduates may pick up their diplomas from the Charter Arts Main Office during regular office hours on either Wednesday, June 16th or Thursday, June 17th, during the hours of 8am - 3pm, as long as all obligations are fulfilled, fines are paid, and materials are returned.

Thank you in advance for your continued support as we finish out this year amid ever-changing guidance. We are thrilled to celebrate with all of you, but especially the Class of 2021, at both the Soiree and Graduations!

2021-2022 SCHOOL YEAR

After the school year ends next week, and after we celebrate the Class of 2021, we will get right back to work to plan for the 2021-2022 school year! Our new health and safety plan will be submitted to the PA Department of Education (PDE) by July 30th, and we will keep you updated this summer as our plans develop. It is our hope to be back in the fall with all of our students, five days a week!

Should you need anything or have any other questions, the Main Office will be open all summer Monday through Thursday from 8am - 3pm. Our building will be CLOSED on Fridays from June 18th through August 13th.

Wishing you a well deserved, relaxing, summer filled with friends & sunshine.

The Administrative Team