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Dear Graduating Senior and Parent/Guardian:

Although it may seem difficult to believe, the high school journey for our seniors is rapidly drawing to a close. We would like to extend our sincere congratulations to you on your child's graduation from the Miami-Dade County Public School System. For parents/guardians, this is always a special moment. Without your guidance and support, your child could not have reached this milestone.

Graduation from high school is an event that comes once in a student's lifetime. Your school's principal and staff have spent every effort to provide a ceremony filled in tradition, one that brings meaning to all graduates and their families and loved ones. This is not an athletic event but rather an academic proceeding to honor a journey fulfilled; one that students and parents/guardians have envisioned for a long time. Our goal as professional staff is to provide a ceremony defined by both dignity and decorum. Students and parents/guardians deserve nothing less and we make every effort in our planning to execute a memorable event, from start to finish. To ensure that your school's graduation is conducted in a distinguished fashion, we expect students, parents/guardians, and guests to adhere to the following principles of etiquette:

Parents/Guardians and Guests

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- Dress appropriately (e.g., business attire for men, semi-formal for ladies).
- Wear appropriate shoes as all venues have stairs and ramps.
- Noisemakers, including air horns or whistles, are not permitted at the graduation venue.
- Beach balls, balloons or other related items are not permitted.
- Throwing confetti is not permitted during the graduation ceremony.
- Make sure all electronic devices are turned off or muted during the ceremony.
- Personal use of cameras without flash and hand-held video cameras is permitted only if one remains in one's seat and respects the viewing rights of attendees.
- All graduation sites will have a professional photographer.
- All seating is on a first come first served basis.

We request that all students, parents, and guests conduct themselves in a respectful manner. Students and attendees may be removed from the graduation ceremony if their behavior or conduct is inappropriate and disruptive. Please sign and return this letter acknowledging that you are in receipt of this information prior to receiving your graduation tickets.

Name of student/ ID Number	Parent or Legal Guardian
Name of School/ Location Number	
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Sincerely,	
Mr. Luis E. Diaz, Chief Operating Officer	