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Senior Recognition Information- Class of 2025

The following information is of extreme importance. Please be sure to read it and follow all directions. Your cooperation will ensure a successful and positive Senior Recognition Ceremony.

For your convenience, the following Table of Contents has been included to allow you to reference items of particular interest to you as the date approaches.

Thank you and we look forward to seeing you at Senior Recognition!

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Senior Recognition

The ceremony for the Class of 2025 will be held at 6:30 p.m., Tuesday, June 3, 2025, in the William Tennent High School Auditorium, 333 Centennial Road, Warminster, PA.

- The auditorium will be open at 6:00 p.m. for seating for ticketed guests on a first come, first-served basis.
- We request that guests arrive no later than 6:15 p.m. so that the ceremony may begin on time.
- Guests arriving after the student procession has begun at 6:30 p.m. will not be permitted to enter the auditorium until after all graduates have been seated.

Tickets

Tickets will be required for entry to the auditorium. **Tickets will be limited to 4 per graduating student participating in the ceremony**. All tickets will be distributed directly to the graduating student's MBIT email, no exceptions. Tickets will use a QR code for entry. Once all 4 tickets have been scanned, they cannot be re-used. There will be no entry allowed for anyone without a ticket.

Students will receive their ticket voucher on March 21, during the NOCTI Written Testing, along with their cap/gown/tassel (see below). Your student may expect to receive their tickets the week of May 19, 2025, if all obligations have been satisfied. Please reach out to other graduating MBIT parents to determine if there are extra tickets. You may also send an email to <u>studentservices@mbit.org</u> to be placed on a waiting list. There is a two extra ticket limit, once we fulfill the other ticket requests and should there be any remaining tickets, we will fulfill requests as received. This will be on a first come first served basis. Please do not call MBIT for extra tickets. If there are extra tickets available, they will be sent out on May 23, 2025. You will be notified if we are unable to provide extra tickets.

<u>The ceremony will be live-streamed for friends and family unable to attend. More information</u> will be provided on how to view the live-stream, on our website <u>www.mbit.org.</u>

Weather

Since we are inside for the ceremony, we are not affected by the outdoor weather.

Special Needs

The auditorium is handicap accessible. There are a limited number of handicap parking spaces that are available on a first come, first served basis.

Parking

Parents/Seniors

- There are a limited number of handicap accessible parking spaces that are available on a first come, first serve basis.
- There is parking on the campus of William Tennent High School.

• There will be staff members and Public Safety students stationed in the parking lot to assist guests as needed.

Rehearsal

- A senior must have successfully completed all the requirements for graduation as articulated in the Student Handbook (page 12). If not, they will not be permitted to participate in the recognition ceremony. (MBIT Student Handbook 2024-2025)
- There will be a rehearsal at MBIT for our students on Monday, June 2, 2025, during both the morning and afternoon session. We request that our CO-OP students attend one of the sessions. We will also be visiting each classroom to answer any questions a student may have regarding the ceremony.

Cap and Gown

- Students will receive their cap, gown, and tassel on April 7, during the NOCTI performance testing *if financial debts have been cleared*. Students will be directed to the cafeteria once testing has been completed. Do not lose your items as we do not have extra items.
- If a student has an outstanding debt, they will not receive their cap and gown until the debt is cleared. Students may stop in the main office to satisfy their debt, or parents/guardians may call the main office, during school hours, to pay via credit card. Letters of outstanding debt go out after each marking period; the next mailing will be the week of April 4th.
- Gowns will need to be pressed so please make sure you take care of this prior to the ceremony.
- If a student is not taking the NOCTI test, they should see Mrs. Doster in the main office after April 7th.
- Special Regalia Students may be permitted to wear school issued cords, medals and/or stoles. These MUST BE APPROVED in advance by Ms. Doherty or Dr. Gale. The following are pre-approved:
 - National Technical Honor Society Sashes For those inducted this year, you received your sash with the rest of your induction materials. For those inducted last year, sashes were distributed to you in your National Technical Honor Society induction package.

Obligations/Debts

- Students must return their books, and/or other assigned materials at the time requested by their instructor. If they do not have the item, their instructor will inform them of their obligation. A check can be written to Middle Bucks Institute of Technology to satisfy the obligation.
- Additionally, all program, parking and discipline debts must be addressed and paid in full by Friday, May 30, 2025.
- If you owe any money or materials to Middle Bucks Institute of Technology, you will not be able to participate in the recognition ceremony until all debts are settled.

Therefore, pay all your debts immediately. Letters of outstanding program debts are sent out after each marking period.

Attire/Dress

The Recognition ceremony is a very special and dignified occasion. We all work very hard to make this a memorable experience so there are requirements for student attire:

- Any dress, skirt/blouse, or dark colored dress pants
- Dress sandals, dress shoes, dress flats or heels are acceptable. Please remember you should be able to safely walk in the shoes you are wearing.
- Dark pants, shirt, tie, dark socks.
- Sneakers and flip-flops are NOT permitted.
- Jeans, shorts, and leggings are NOT permitted.

Participants' dress will be checked before leaving the assembly area. Those dressed inappropriately will not be permitted to participate in the ceremony. Please see Ms. Doherty or Dr. Gale if you have any questions regarding attire for the event.

Before the Ceremony

- Seniors are to report to the William Tennent High School Cafeteria no later than 5:30 p.m.
 - Once in the cafeteria students may *NOT* leave the area. Restrooms are in the cafeteria area.
 - Only *current* MBIT Staff members and seniors walking in the ceremony are permitted in the cafeteria.
- Report immediately to your instructor, put on your cap, gown, and tassel, and move to the area you are assigned for your assembling.
 - Please affix the tassel so that it hangs on the right side of the hat.
- Additionally, **do not leave any valuables in the staging areas (cafeteria)**. We cannot be responsible for safeguarding them. Please give cell phones, purses, etc. to your family to hold during the ceremony. **The cafeteria will be cleaned immediately following students exiting to go to the ceremony. Items may be picked up at MBIT the following day.**

During the Ceremony

- Parents are not permitted to leave their seats to take pictures.
- To hear all the graduates' names announced, please refrain from applause, cheering, whistling, or any noisemakers until the end.
- Students who engage in disrespectful, distracting, or inappropriate behavior during the ceremony will be removed from the auditorium by administration and the certificate will be withheld until the appropriate disciplinary consequences are fulfilled.

After the Ceremony

- The graduates will recess for the final time as a class out to the lobby of the auditorium.
- We welcome all graduates and their families to meet in the lobby and exit the property as soon as possible.
 - Please remember we are guests at William Tennent High School, and they must be able to maintain the area for the following school day.

Certificate Distribution

• Students will be given their Certificate of Completion during the ceremony. Please be sure to take it with you when you exit the auditorium.