**GRADUATION CEREMONY  
DRESS CODE**

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| **Dress Code** | Solid colored SHIRT with a COLLAR and a TIE PANTS: BLACK (full length- NO shorts) ​No Jeans of any kind or color.  DRESS or SKIRT and TOP  Short dresses and skirts must be school-appropriate length  SHOES BLACK dress shoes NO sandals, flip flops, tennis shoes, or boots.  No Athletic shoes of any kind.  Shoe Heel Height:  Flats and UP TO 3 inch heel height LIMIT.   Shoes must have at least a strap on heel (for safety on stairs and ramps)  Graduates are not allowed to decorate any part of their graduation attire. Students who do choose not to comply with the CMCSS graduation dress code will not be allowed to walk in the ceremony.   *\*\*  APSU requires that all graduates enter the Dunn Center with their graduation gown worn unzipped, in hand, or on hangers. \*\** |
| **Approved Regalia** | * The following cords or stoles may be worn:   + Honors, Highest Honors, and CMCSS Academic Awards Recipient Cords   + Ready Graduate Cords   + Those earned through being a member of a nationally and CMCSS recognized academic honor society; such societies are distinguishable by having a minimum academic measure for acceptance such as a required GPA.   + Those earned by completing a course of study as a member of one of the CMCSS High School Academies.   + Those earned by having successfully completed JROTC for the duration of their high school career.   + Those earned by successfully completing the Gold Standard of the CMCSS Work Ethic Distinction. * The following sashes or stoles may be worn:   + Those affiliated with the enlistment of a military service branch.   + Those earned by completing the associate degree pathway at Middle College. * In compliance with State Board Policy a volunteer pin recognizing students with 10 hours of community service for each semester of high school may be worn.   PLEASE NOTE:   Only stoles, collars, cords and/or medallions that are awarded by CMCSS and the State of Tennessee may be worn in CMCSS GRADUATION ceremonies.  Any cords or other graduation regalia received from outside sources, paid memberships or affiliations will not be allowed.  CMCSS Graduations are formal events and reflect our students' accomplishments within their high school years. |
| **Jewelry and Personal Items** | JEWELRY:  No excessively large earrings (hoops or long dangles)  No large hair adornment (bows, headbands, etc.)  Do not bring purses or other valuables that you cannot carry into the  ceremony with you.  *Personal Items and Security:*  *You must carry your gown or wear it unzipped when entering* *the APSU*  *Dunn Center.*  *Do not bring in purses, jackets, or other items of value as there is no*  *place* *to store them.*  TURN CELL PHONES TO SILENT DURING THE CEREMONY! |