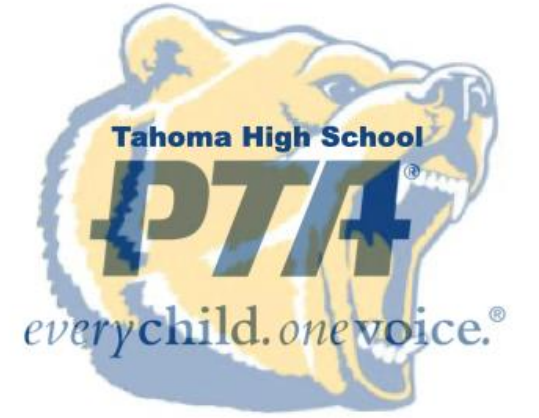
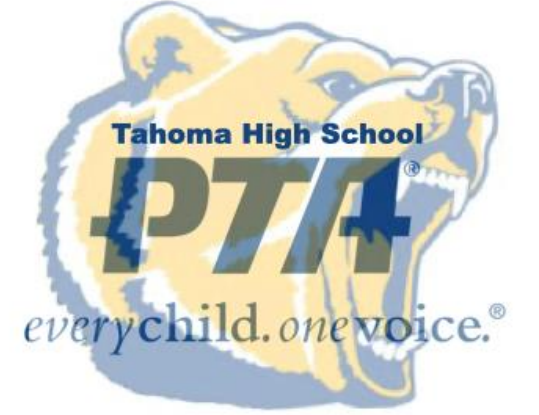


Welcome senior families

Class of 2024



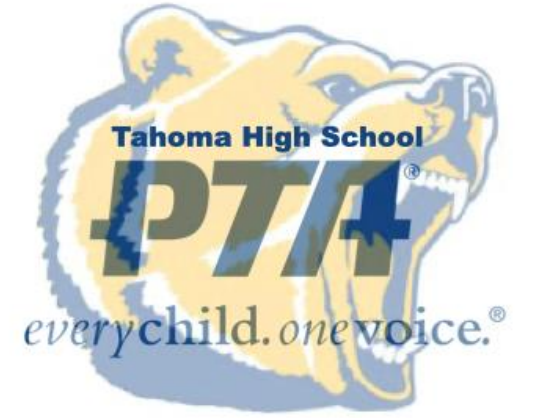
Keep Informed



- Join the Tahoma Class of 2024 Facebook page.
- Follow the [PTA Seniors webpage](#).
- Read Bear Bytes for important announcements.
- [Become a PTA member.](#)

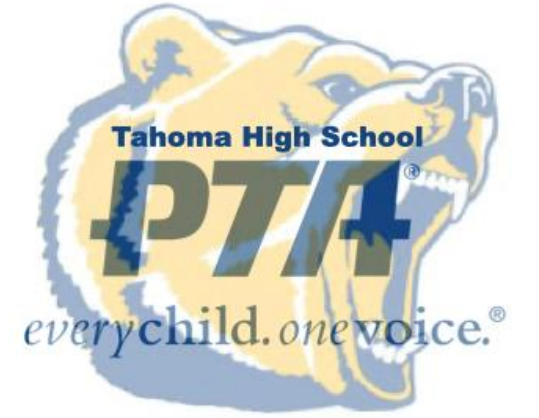


Fall 2023 Key Dates



Jostens Online Order free shipping deadline	Nov 1
Jostens Order Day (at school)	Nov 2
Powder Puff Football Game	Nov 9
Parent/Teacher Conferences In-person	Nov 15
Parent/Teacher Conferences Remote (online)	Nov 16
Reflections submission due	Nov 17
Thanksgiving break	Nov 23
Winter break	Dec 18

Spring 2024 Key Dates



Mid-winter break	Feb 19
High School & Beyond Night	March 13
Spring break	April 8
Senior Art Award Due	May 10
Future Ready Day	May 23 or 24
Senior Awards	May 29
Prom	June 8
Community Awards	June 13
Graduation	June 20
Grad Night Party	June 20

Senior Awards



Valedictorian/Salutatorian

- Seniors may apply for this award in the spring of their senior year (mid-May).
- Students are selected based on rigor of courses taken and grades.

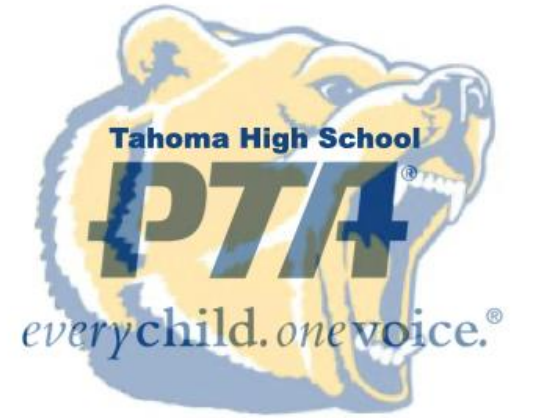
Distinguished Honors - top 10% of class based on rank which is determined by GPA.

Dual Diploma - students who earn both a THS diploma and an associate's degree through Running Start.

Seal of Biliteracy - Determined by student's performance on the World Language Proficiency Exams.

Department Awards - Selected by academic departments.

Yearbooks



- Final yearbook sale from November 1st to November 17th. Order in Skyward!
- Ads -taking ads from Nov through Jan - exact dates will be published in Bear Bytes once they are firmed up.
- Photo submissions - only accepted for ads. The student yearbook photo will be their school photo to ensure equity.



Key Academic Dates

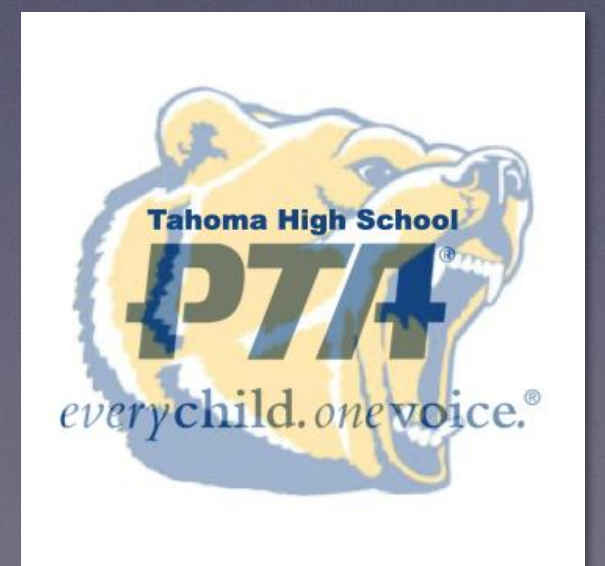
AP Exam Fees & Testing

- Fees due by November 3, 2023 – Pay online or in person with Ms. Wood by November 3, 2023. See Ms. Strasser (jstrasse@tahomasd.us) in Room 209 with questions.
- AP Exam Dates – May 6-10 & May 13-17.

Senior Presentations - May 23 or May 24

ACT/SAT Testing - few schools, with the exception of ROTC or Military Academy, require an ACT or SAT.

- Testing will be offered offsite.



Financial Aid for College

Which form should I fill out?

- Federal financial aid (FAFSA) or State financial aid (WASFA)
- Take the quiz to determine which application is best for you:
<https://wsac.wa.gov/WASFAelig>
- [FAFSA youtube videos](#)
- Applications open in **December 2023**

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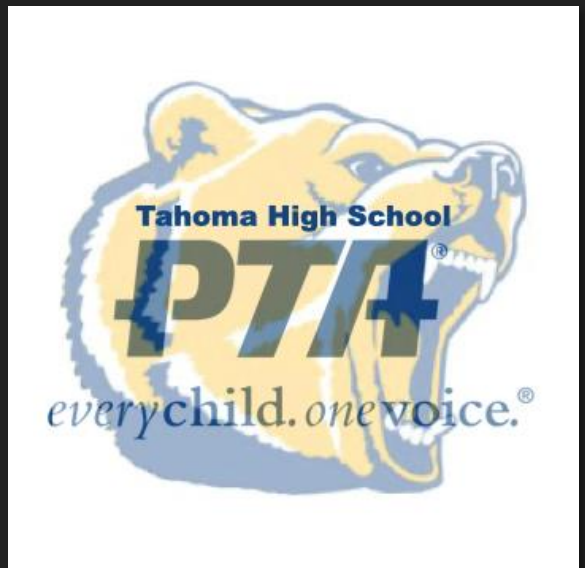
Senior \$cholarships

- January 29 - Tahoma scholarship applications open.
- March 15 - Scholarship applications close.
- May 29 - Senior Awards
- June 13 - Community Awards

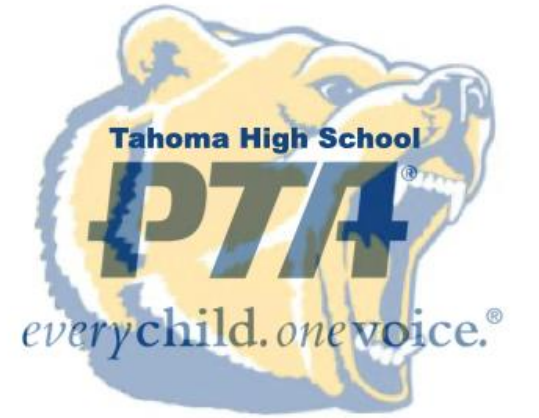
Chair: Lisa Close

Email: THSPTAScholarships@gmail.com

ATTN Senior Scholarships



Graduation



WHEN: June 20, 2024 - 7 PM

WHERE: Showare Center - Kent, WA

CEREMONY TICKETS

- Each student will receive 6 tickets for the graduation ceremony.
- Approximately 1-2 weeks before graduation, there will be an option to purchase 2 additional tickets per student at \$5/each, while supplies last.
- Date/time of ticket sales will be published in Bear Bytes.
- We will ask any student who does not need all of their tickets to donate them to a lottery for other families.

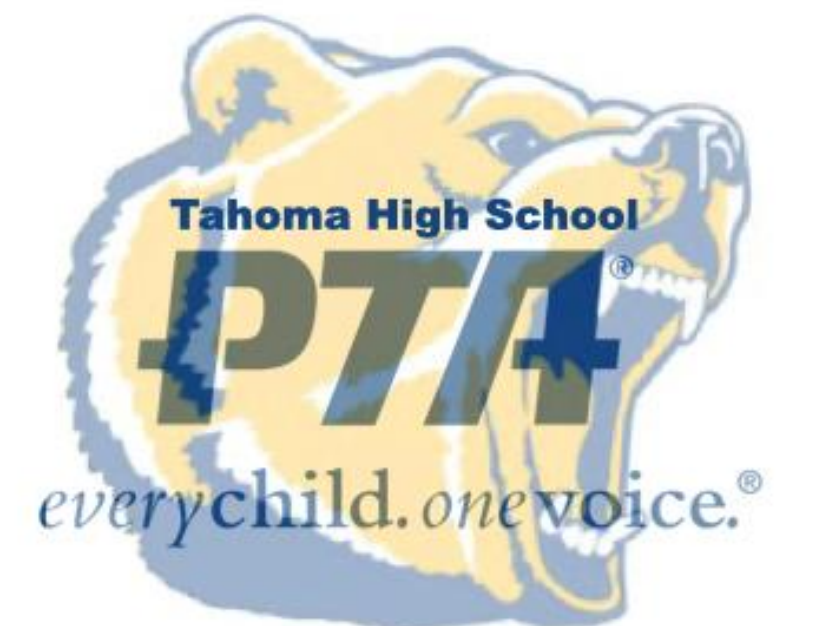
WHEN: June 20, 2024 immediately following graduation.

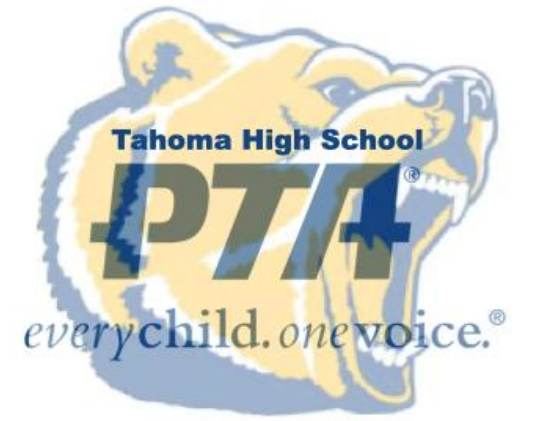
WHERE: TBD

Committee Lead: Amy Hurley

Contact tahomahspta@gmail.com ATTN Grad Night

Grad Night





Traditions

- Senior Sunrise
- Senior Sunset & Movie Night
- Elementary School Grad Walk

Questions or Suggestions?



Join PTA – support your child

Support – Scholarships, future ready.

Inspire through art – Reflections, senior art award.

Reward – Senior awards, community awards.

Prepare through social activities – Homecoming dance, senior sunrise, powderpuff football, prom, senior sunset, grad night party.



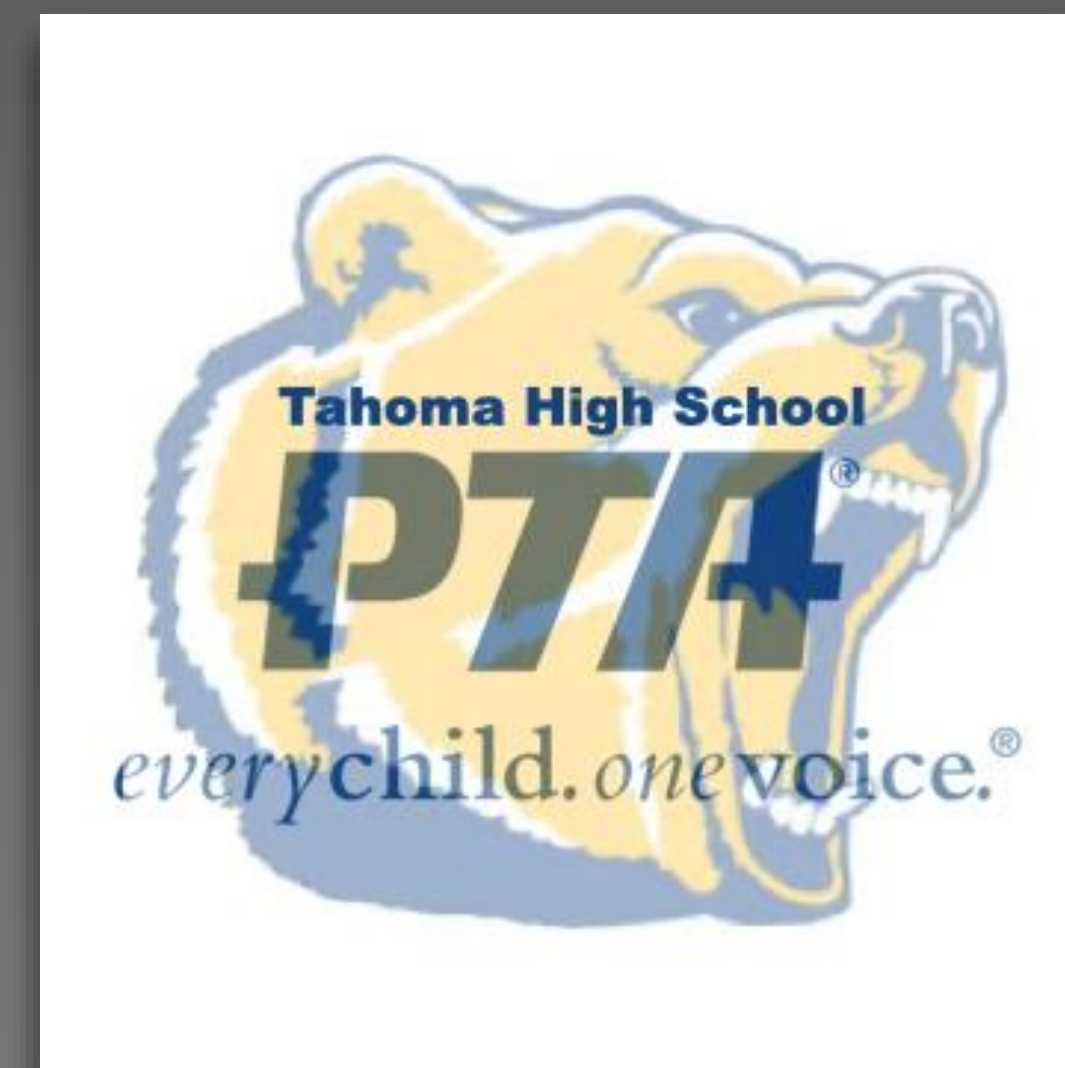
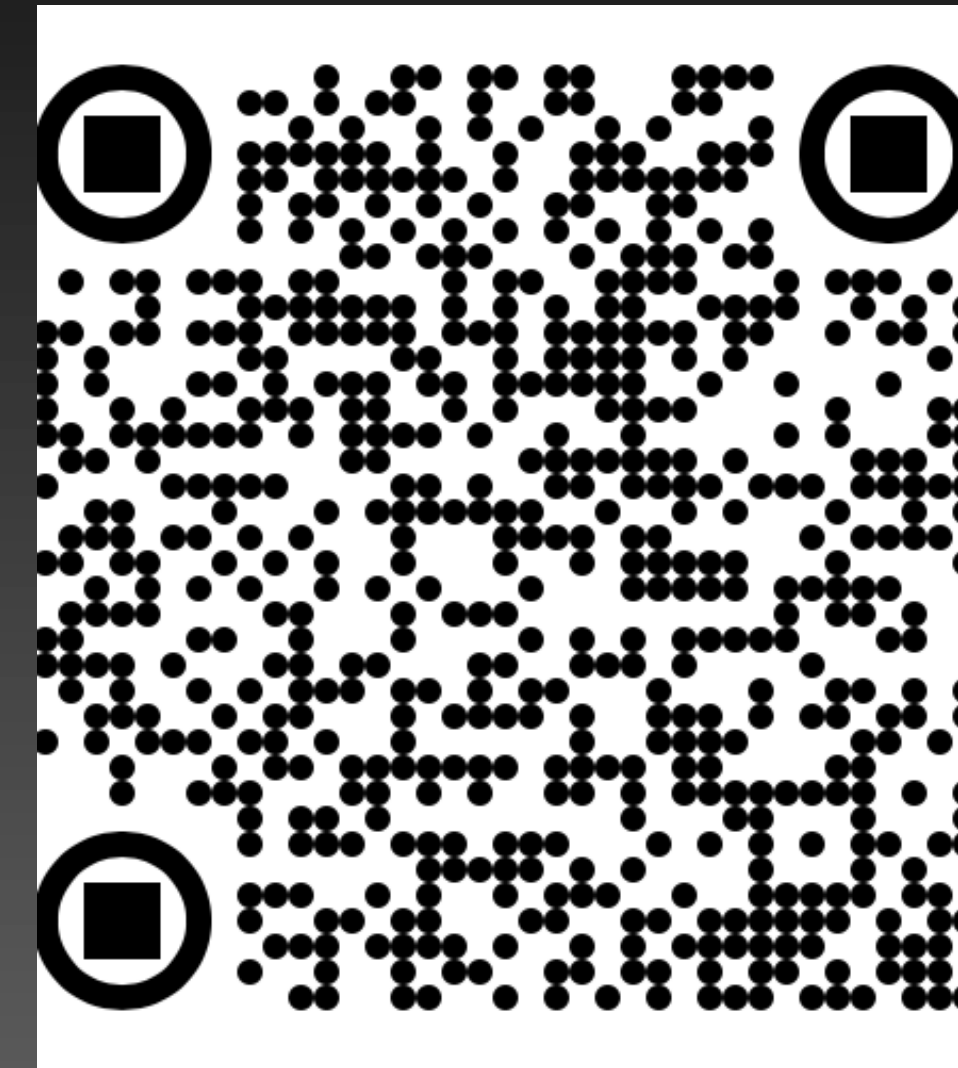
We need your support

Your PTA - volunteers that work behind the scenes to help educators prepare Tahoma students for a successful future.

Become a PTA member - **just your membership dues alone will help us fund scholarships and programs for your senior students!**

No obligation to do anything else!

<https://tahomahighpta.memberplanet.com/>





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Dates & Deadlines

Online Orders - Order by November 1 to qualify for:

- free shipping
- senior swag pick up on Nov 2

Order at School - November 2

- 11 AM-1 PM in the commons (during power hour)
- senior swag-pick up here if you ordered online

Cap/Gown & Announcement Delivery - March-April 2024

- Items must be paid in full before pick-up.

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