



## Gulf High School's Graduation Cap/Mortarboard Decorating Procedures and Etiquette

Please observe the following rules when decorating your graduation cap. Failure to follow these rules will result in a replacement cap being given to you during commencement at a cost of \$15.00. The unapproved cap will be removed from the premises.

- NO offensive language, sayings, nicknames, pictures or lyrics on cap
- NO objects such as signs, stuffed animals, bells, flowers, or any 3D object may rest on the cap
- ALL decorations MUST lie FLAT on the cap. Nothing can lie perpendicular thus allowing us to see the decoration beyond eye level
- Your cap CANNOT make noise. NO bells, horns, or anything that makes noise
- NO political statements, logos, or names
- NO advertisements for business or organizations

It is appropriate to put the following on your cap:

- Thank a parent, grandparent, teacher, friend
- Recognize the university/college, vocational trade school, or military branch that you will be attending

We **WILL NOT** furnish new caps if you mess yours up decorating! ***WE HIGHLY SUGGEST YOU TRACE YOUR CAP ONTO CARDBOARD AND DECORATE THE CARDBOARD. IF YOU MAKE A MISTAKE YOU CAN START OVER WITH A NEW PIECE OF CARDBOARD.*** After you decorate it, stick it to your cap with double-sided tape or Velcro stickers. Velcro tape can be purchased at any fabric store, Target, Wal-Mart and throughout many CVS and Walgreens stores.

Administration reserves the right to disallow anything that is not considered appropriate for the commencement ceremony. If you are unsure, ask someone (i.e. administrator, teacher, etc.) ahead of time by bringing a sketch of your design to be reviewed.

Utilize Google, Pinterest, etc. for ideas on cap decorating. We highly recommend that you stay away from hand drawings unless you have artistic ability beyond stick figures.