



Maverick Senior Letter

Class of 2026

Dear Seniors and Families,

Congratulations—your senior year is almost here! We are thrilled to celebrate this exciting milestone with you as we open The Smith Academy together. Below are important dates and information regarding events such as VIP tours, senior portraits, parking, sweatshirts, yearbooks, any more to help you prepare for a successful and memorable final year of high school.



Senior Tours and BBQ

Date: August 4th

Location: Debbie Smith CTE Academy

All Seniors are invited to a VIP tour of Debbie Smith CTE Academy on August 4th at 8:30am. After the tour, Seniors will be able to paint their parking spot(if applicable) and enjoy a BBQ on campus.



Senior Portraits

Date(s): October. 21st-24th 2025

Location: Debbie Smith CTE Academy

Seniors must have their portraits taken during this time to be included in the yearbook. You'll receive an appointment time via email, or you may schedule your session directly with Lifetouch. Dress appropriately formal attire is recommended, but attire will be provided. Your School ID photo will be done separately in August.



Senior Parking Spots (only 40 available)

Application Opens: May 1st 2025

Painting Day : August 4th

Location: Debbie Smith CTE Academy

Permits are available on a first-come, first-served basis with only 40 spots available. If more than 40 students apply, a lottery will be held. Seniors must submit a completed parking application on this [form](#), submit a copy of their valid driver's license, and submit a drawing of their proposed parking space artwork. \$25 cash or check will be due on August 4th in order to paint.

Date: August 15th, 2025

Location: Debbie Smith CTE Academy

Join us for the first ever Senior Sunrise at Debbie Smith on Friday, August 15th at approximately 5:00am for donuts, coffee, hot chocolate, and music to kick off your Senior Year in Style!

Senior Sweatshirts

Order Deadline: August 15th, 2025

Show your senior pride with a custom Class of 2026 sweatshirt! Orders can be placed using this [form](#). Cost of Sweatshirts is \$30 and must be paid to the bookkeeper by August 15th. Sweatshirts will be distributed during the first quarter of the school year. Limited extras may be available, but pre-ordering is the only way to guarantee your size.



Example of Sweatshirt

Yearbooks

Pre-Order Deadline: October 31st, 2025, \$55

Don't miss out—secure your copy of the 2025-2026 yearbook! Order through Lifetouch or the school office. Lifetouch order link will be shared at a later date. Prices increase after November 1st, so order early for the best deal. Yearbooks will be distributed in late Spring, 2026

Athletics

Date(s): May 28th 2025

Location: Swope Middle School

Come join us at Swope to learn about Maverick Athletics, meet some coaches, register to play and get ready for the upcoming athletic seasons!

We look forward to an unforgettable year with the Class of 2026! If you have any questions, please contact Principal Mike Gifford at mgifford@washoeschools.net or Assistant Principal Kara Lee at kelee@washoeschools.net

Warm regards,

Debbie Smith CTE Academy

