

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS CLASS OF 2026

CAP & GOWN - \$30

- Gown = must be returned
- Cap, Tassel & Medallion = you keep
- Gowns on sale (TBA)

SEVEN SILVER YEARS

- Pin to wear at graduation
- Began at JMMAST in 6th grade
- 7 consecutive years

TOP 15%

- Determined by weighted GPA at end of the 2nd nine weeks of Senior year (January 2026)
- You will receive a Gold, Silver or Bronze hood to wear at graduation
- Summa Cum Laude (5%), Magna Cum Laude (10%), Cum Laude (15%)
- Any student with a minimum 4.0 weighted GPA will receive a gold/white cord if you are not in the Top 15%

COMMUNITY SERVICE HOURS

- 1 = graduation requirement
- 75 = Superintendent's Diploma
- 100 = Bright Futures Scholarship
- 500 hours = Silver Cords at graduation
- 999 hours = Gold Cords at graduation
- Hours must be turned in to Ms. Andrews by January 15, 2026 to qualify for the service cords.

SUPERINTENDENT'S DIPLOMA OF DISTINCTION

- Official Diploma
- 75 hours of community service
- 3.5 weighted GPA by end of first semester of Senior year (Jan. 2026)
- No final grades lower than a "C"
- 4 upper-level courses (Honors, AP or Dual Enrollment)
- Finalized January 15, 2026

SCHOLAR DESIGNATION - seal on diploma

- 1 credit in Algebra II
- 1 credit in Stats or rigorous math
- 1 credit in Chemistry or Physics or rigorous course equal to Chemistry or Physics
- 2 credits SAME Foreign Language
- 1 credit in AP or Dual Enrollment
- Pass the EOC in Biology, Geometry, and US History

INDUSTRY DESIGNATION - seal on diploma

- A logo embroidered on your graduation stole
- Attain Industry Certifications (i.e. Microsoft, Adobe, AutoCad, etc. – see Ms. C. Garcia)
- Must complete by January 15, 2026

BILITERACY SEAL - seal on diploma

- 4 consecutive years of the same Foreign Language & 3.0 unweighted GPA *OR*
- SILVER: score a level 3 or higher on the AP exam OR
- GOLD: score a level 4 or higher on the AP exam & FSA ELA Level 4 or 5

GRADUATION REGALIA

- A navy stole to wear at graduation
- Embroidered with club logos & distinctions
- Must be active member & get sponsor approval
- Honor Societies & Nationally recognized organizations
- MA®, NHS, SNHS, TSA, NEHS, NAHS, FEA, Key Club, Interact, Capstone, Quill & Scroll, Industry Certification

CAPSTONE DIPLOMA

- A logo embroidered on your graduation stole
- Must take AP Capstone Research and AP Capstone Seminar = Pass the AP exam in both classes (end of Junior Year)
- Pass the AP exam in four (4) additional classes (end of Junior Year)
- TOTAL OF 6 passed AP exams
- ALL AP exams must be passed by the end of Junior Year (Senior year exams don't count)