

Parent School Association of UCMHS
PROJECT GRADUATION 2014
PLEDGE / DONATION FORM

Project Graduation is an all-night, substance-free party following graduation which gives the entire senior class the chance to celebrate together. See reverse side for more information.

We are asking senior parents to make a minimum financial pledge of \$100.00 per senior to support Project Graduation. We hope that you will be as generous as you can in this drive. You can make one single payment or split the payment, whichever is more convenient. We will begin accepting donations immediately.

Option 1 (Donation Check):

1st Payment pledge due by November 1, 2013: \$ _____
2nd Payment pledge due by February 1, 2014: \$ _____

My Donation of \$ _____ is enclosed.

Option 2 (ShopRite Gift Cards – purchase \$2,000 in cards by February 1, 2014):

I will buy \$ _____ in ShopRite gift cards.

I have matching funds from my employer _____ and the form is attached.

I have matching funds from my employer _____ and the form has been completed, designating **Parent School Association Inc. of UCMHS** as the recipient.

Note: We are a 501(c)(3) organization and our tax exempt number is 26-3842590.

I would like to help in Project Graduation planning. Please contact me.

Our first meeting is Monday, September 9, 6:30 PM, Room 116, Magnet High School.

Parent Name _____ Student Name _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Mail form and check, payable to **PSA Inc. of UCMHS** to:
Union County Magnet High School
Attn: Project Graduation
1776 Raritan Road
Scotch Plains, New Jersey 07076

Contact magnetpsa@gmail.com or call Diane Chen at 908-462-4617 if you have any questions.

Thank you for your support!

Project Graduation – Frequently Asked Questions

What is Project Graduation?

Project Graduation is a **chaperoned, fun-filled all-night, drug and alcohol free celebration for graduating seniors**. The location, entertainment, food and transportation are provided! Many volunteers and sponsors work together to make graduation night safe and memorable....and we always receive an enthusiastic response from the graduates in attendance.

The Project Graduation celebration is organized, funded and hosted by the Magnet High School PSA. Project Graduation is **not** a school sponsored event, although Magnet High School endorses this activity.

What is the date and time of Project Graduation 2014?

Project Graduation is on Graduation Night – Tuesday, June 17th, 2014, from 11:00 pm until 5:00 am.

Where is Project Graduation held?

The event will be held at Club Woodbridge, a sports club in Woodbridge. Bus transportation is provided for all students. We depart from Magnet HS at 10:30 PM and return the students to Magnet HS the following morning at 5:30 AM. We rent the club for the entire night and no one other than our students and volunteers are allowed in. This is a private party for the Magnet High School Class of 2014.

What is the PSA Project Graduation (PG) Committee?

The PG Committee consists of Magnet High School parents who meet monthly to plan the all-night celebration and to organize fundraisers to achieve its goals. All volunteers are welcome and encouraged to participate!

What Fundraisers does the PG Committee run?

In addition to the parent pledges, the three main PG Fundraisers are:

- Supermarket Gift Cards – Runs from September – May
- Goods and Services Auction – Date to be determined
- iPad Raffle – April – Specific date to be determined

We will also try to solicit donations from businesses in the area. However these will not cover the entire cost of the event.

What is the cost of the party for my senior student?

Consistent with prior years, we are asking each family to pledge \$100 per senior to help defray the cost of the event. The full amount can be paid at once, or split into two payments. As an alternative to a direct cash contribution, families can purchase \$2,000 worth of ShopRite gift cards at face value from the PG committee (we make 5% on every gift card purchase.)

In the past years, the entire cost of Project Graduation was around \$10,000, or roughly \$150 per student. The cost covers the club rental, transportation to/from the Club at Woodbridge and MHS, dinner, beverages, breakfast, entertainment, and gifts and prizes for the students.

The Project Graduation Committee is committed to raising enough funds for **ALL** Seniors to attend, regardless of any family's ability to pledge in this campaign. If required, the committee will conduct additional fundraising efforts throughout the year to reach full funding of this event. No student is turned away.

What security is provided?

Security is provided by Magnet parents who volunteer to stay the entire night. In addition, staff from Club Woodbridge are on-site and available all night. Only Magnet students and chaperones are allowed into the club. No one will be allowed to leave early with anyone other than a parent/guardian.

What if I want to donate or know someone who wants to donate?

Please contact the PG Chair, Diane Chen, or a member of the committee. We are looking for gift cards, prizes and cash donations. Sponsorship opportunities are included. We gratefully accept Matching Corporate Donations – please check with your employer and we will help you process the paperwork.