

Candlelighting Program

- National Honor Society Silent Candlelighting program
- 11:00 a.m. (Outsiders will not be admitted after 10:45 am, please check in - front office)
- Fieldhouse.

The History of Candlelighting:

Since 1955 the senior members of the National Honor Society have presented a silent Candlelighting program.

In 1955 the young people of this high school proved to the adults in the community and to other school people throughout the state that students can assume self-discipline and responsibility for many worthwhile activities. The thousands of graduates and parents and adults in the community marvel each year at the outstanding way in which the students of our school present their annual Candlelighting program. Several high schools in the Kansas City area and across the state have attempted this program without success. Each year, we have visitors, and they always leave the school saying they can't believe what they have witnessed. Success is due to you, the students, who have pride in our high school.

In the past, students of Lee's Summit High School demonstrated to our community, as well as our nation, that we all share a deep respect for the Candlelighting program, and we welcome the opportunity to participate together and recognize the common beliefs we all hold. On December 21st, we can all express this common feeling by participating quietly and respectfully in this year's program.

Lee's Summit High School has received national publicity on the silent Candlelighting program. Your parents and graduates of the school are welcome to attend the 11:10 A.M. assembly, but as students in our school, you are charged with the responsibility of informing your parents and friends that they are welcome as long as they do not talk from the time the program starts until they leave the building after the program has been completed. The program is strictly for mature adults. No small children please. Students from other schools or other friends may not attend Candlelighting. We usually have between 100 and 150 guests in attendance at our traditional Candlelighting program. Guests need to arrive to the PAC Lobby to check in between 10:30 A.M. and 10:45 A.M. No one will be admitted after 10:45 A.M. We also request no pictures be taken in the Fieldhouse.

It has been a tradition for almost 60 years in our school that silent Candlelighting program day is designated as a dress-up day for all students and teachers. This is a special day and a special program for mature young adults. The maturity of our students is needed to make this program a success.