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Graduation is a monumental milestone—a moment to honor years of hard work, unforgettable memories, and the thrilling journey ahead. It’s a great way to cap off leaving middle school, high school, or college behind. Whether you're planning your own bash or one for a friend, putting together a celebration that’s both creative and heartfelt, can make the day even more memorable!

1. Pick a Unique Theme

Step one? Pick a theme. A safe bet for a theme is decorating the party in the graduate’s school colors. Or, if you want the party to have a more “looking-to-the-future” vibe, pick the colors of the school they’re moving on to (if applicable)!

You could also consider a general “future” theme, with bright colors and innovative lighting. Or a past theme: a vintage-inspired party with retro decorations, classic music, and nostalgic memorabilia.

Something else that might be fun is a party that celebrates the graduate’s future career. For example, someone headed off to law school could have a lawyer-themed party, or someone about to join their next school’s football team could have a sports-themed party.

2. Use DIY Decorations

Handmade touches set your party apart. Consider crafting a timeline banner that recounts major milestones of the graduate’s journey—a fun mix of school photos, event tickets, and handwritten notes from friends and family. Create custom centerpieces using old textbooks, mini globes, and even travel-themed props. Think of the party as a living scrapbook!

3. Incorporate Interactive Elements

Consider some interactive activities for your guests! Set up a photo booth with themed props like graduation caps, witty signs, and fun costumes. Encourage guests to record short congratulatory messages or share advice via video messages that the graduate can keep for years to come. Another cool idea is a "memory jar," where attendees drop in notes of their favorite memories and words of wisdom for the future.

4. Serve The Best Sweets With TWIX Chocolate Bars

Of course, no party is complete without an amazing spread! Curate a menu that balances savory and sweet flavors. Chips, dips, pretzels, and pizza are all party signatures, but what about dessert? Brownies! Cookies! Cake! Best of all, you can elevate all of it by incorporating TWIX Milk Chocolate Candy Bars. Drizzle chopped TWIX chocolate pieces over a pan of brownies or crumble caramel, cookie TWIX bits on top of mini cupcakes.

TWIX Apple Pie BarsandTWIX Cookie Dough Brownie Barsare fun and tasty recipes to serve! You can also just leave a candy bowl ofTWIX Minis Candy Bars on the dessert table for your guests to pick from. Or be like that cool house on Halloween and offer guestsfull-size TWIX Chocolate bars.

5. Focus on Music, Games, and Celebratory Vibes

Set the tone with a killer playlist. Organize trivia games about the graduate's life, centered

around fun facts and favorite (or cringe) moments. Organize a photo or video gallery on a TV or a projector. Set up board games or some outdoor fun like Twister or cornhole. Consider hiring a local DJ or creating a collaborative playlist where every guest contributes a song, ensuring the music is as diverse and dynamic as your celebration.

Whether you’re the graduate or party planner, congratulations on the big day! Hopefully these ideas can help make the occasion feel as grand as it is!

Frequently Asked Questions

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1. **What are good graduation party snacks?**

   Like with any bash, chips, dip, pretzels, and other salty foods are great ideas for grad party snacks, but you'll also want to sweeten things up with some desserts. Have a bowl full of TWIX Minis (or even full-size TWIX Chocolate Bars) for your guests to pick from. Consider baking some decadent treats like TWIX Apple Pie Bars or TWIX Cookie Dough Brownie Bars, too.

2. **When should I host my graduation party?**

   Many people choose a date close to graduation day, but if you want more friends to attend, consider a weekend when there are fewer conflicts with other celebrations.

3. **What kind of food should I serve?**

   A mix of appetizers, buffet-style options, or even a food truck can be great choices. Finger foods and snacks are always a good idea. Don't forget about sweets, too: homemade desserts or fun-size TWIX chocolate bars are excellent choices!

4. **Should I have a dress code?**

   It depends on your party's vibe! If it's a backyard BBQ, casual wear is best. If it's more formal, consider specifying attire in the invitation.

5. **Do I need to send invitations?**

   Digital invitations work great, especially through social media or event apps, but printed invitations can be more personal for close family and friends. You can also use printed ones to flex your creative muscles (if you have any).

6. **How long should the party last?**

   Most graduation parties are between 2 to 4 hours.

7. **Should I give a speech?**

   It's not required but it'll probably be appreciated!

8. **Is it okay to ask for gifts or money?**

   While guests often bring gifts, you can make it easy for them by creating a registry or including a polite note in invitations that gifts are appreciated but not required.

9. **How do I handle multiple friend groups and family at the party?**

   Setting up different seating areas or casual mingling spots helps guests feel comfortable, and interactive activities can bring different groups of friends or family together.

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