



Dear Seniors,

We are writing to let you know that we are thinking about you. None of us imagined when leaving for Spring Break, that it would be the last time we would be together in person at school. We know you are experiencing a deep sense of loss and want to support you through this difficult time.

As part of the effort to support you, high school principals gathered feedback from students, parents and staff leadership groups regarding graduation. Governor Laura Kelly’s order to close schools through the end of the school year included a prohibition on in-person ceremonies being held before May 29, 2020. While this means graduation will not be able to occur on the dates originally planned, we will have a graduation ceremony to celebrate you and your many accomplishments.

The feedback we received was used in conjunction with the Governor’s guidance to develop two plans for graduation. In reviewing these two plans, it is very important to note that any final decision about whether we are able to have gatherings large enough to schedule an in-person graduation will be made based on guidance from federal, state and local authorities. The plans are:

Plan 1: In-person ceremonies, scheduled as follows:

East - July 14th @ North (8PM)	North - July 15th @ North (8PM)
Northwest - July 16th @ North (8PM)	South - July 14th @ South - 8PM
West - July 15th @ South - 8PM	Horizons - July 16th @ Horizons - 7PM
Arrowhead - July 13th @ Arrowhead - 7PM	

Plan 2: Video produced ceremonies, which would take place the same week.

We do not know when guidance will be provided regarding the possibility for large in-person gatherings in July. We also do not yet have a date set for distributing caps and gowns.

In order to produce a successful video production of graduation in support of Plan 2, work must begin now, even as we wait to see what specific guidance we receive from state and local authorities on large in-person gatherings. We will hold out hope for an in-person graduation, but need to make a decision by June 15, 2020, at the latest, on what form graduation will take.

As we gather more information, we will continue to keep you informed. Meanwhile, know that we are thinking about you. Take care, stay safe, and stay home!

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