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To: Tracy Unified School District Students and Families.

I am writing to inform you that due to the COVID-19 and school closure situation, the District is not able to hold the planned graduation ceremonies as scheduled for High School seniors, Adult School students and Young Adult Program students who are graduating in May 2020. The District understands this is very disappointing for students and their families. In addition, the District realizes this is an exciting time for our students as their education in the District is completed and they will be moving forward with the next phase of their lives.

District staff have collected input from our senior students, parents, teachers, administrators, and other staff in order to develop a new plan to provide graduation ceremonies for the class of 2020 in the future. Based on this input should future health concerns for large gatherings allow, the District is working on a plan to provide graduation ceremonies to recognize our High School seniors, Young Adult Program students, and Adult School students during the first week of August 2020 with an in-person/live graduation ceremony. The administrators of our high schools, young adult program, and adult school will communicate the details of their graduation ceremonies to you as they become available.

While the graduation ceremony may not be the same as in the past, we want to honor this important celebration to every extent possible. We know that our schools and programs will do everything possible to make this important milestone in our young people's lives the very best it can be. Should the COVID-19 health restrictions continue to exist on July 1, 2020, we will communicate and coordinate an alternative plan at that time.

We understand the uncertainty families and our community may be feeling, and appreciate your partnership and support during this unprecedented time. The Tracy Unified School District will continue to work with the government of California, the San Joaquin County Public Health Services (PHS) and the San Joaquin County Office of Education to monitor the situation and provide updates as necessary.

The situation we face changes daily and sometimes hourly as concerns and issues continue to arise. We appreciate your patience and understanding as we work together through this difficult and uncertain time.

Sincerely,

Brian Stephens, Ed.D.  
Superintendent