

*****Due to Governor Wolf changing our county's status from YELLOW TO GREEN, our graduation plan has been modified to reflect current safety recommendations. Revisions have been made in the highlighted sections below.**

CSHS Drive through/non-contact Graduation Ceremony

Congratulations CSHS Class of 2020. You have been waiting for this information for some time now. Thank you for your patience. We have put together a commencement ceremony based on input from students and community members. We have taken into consideration current health guidelines and information from the Department of Health, Centers for Disease Control, Pennsylvania Department of Education, and the Governor. We hope this ceremony will be memorable for you and your families. Given our circumstances it is important that everyone in this year's ceremony observes and follows all the procedures outlined below. It is not all virtual and it is definitely not traditional; but it is definitely Cambridge Springs.

OVERVIEW:

Our event will take place on Friday, June 5, 2020. The community has organized a firefighter and police escort for the graduates. The route proceeds through the borough and leads to the school campus. All vehicles participating in this portion will need to assemble at the Northwestern REC facility on Route 86. This escort begins promptly at 5:30pm. You can find more details on the borough's Facebook page. In our drive-through graduation, the campus becomes the stage as you follow a designated route around the entire campus. The escort will lead the graduates to the entrance of the parking lot on the west side of the high school. At approximately 6:00pm graduates, while in a vehicle, will proceed on a route mapped around the entire grounds. There will be five designated stops along the route for photographs culminating with the graduate receiving their diploma on a stage at the end of the route. There will be opportunities for parents and guardians to photograph the graduates as they receive their diploma. The vehicle exits campus and the "walk across the stage" is over for that individual.

DETAILS:

Safety- Participation in the ceremony is voluntary. The procedures help maintain safe social distancing for graduates as they are photographed and receive their diploma. It is important that safety is first. If you are sick or are showing any symptoms, please stay home. We will make sure you receive your diploma at a later time. Graduates may choose whether or not to wear a mask when exiting their vehicle for photos and receiving their diploma.

Route- The route through campus will be followed strictly. Drivers will maintain safe distance between vehicles and will drive in a safe and responsible manner. Only vehicles containing a graduate will be allowed on campus. Drivers will follow all instructions of traffic directors. An image of the route and the photo-stops is attached.

Designated Photo Stops- There will be designated stops along the route for photographs. The stop will feature a banner or landmark in an area for the graduate to be photographed. The graduate and family members may exit the vehicle for a picture. Families may take photos. In addition, photography will be performed by a faculty member at each stop. Digital images of the photographs will be made available to everyone at no charge. The diplomas will be distributed on stage at the final stop. The graduate will exit the vehicle to receive their diploma and have their photograph taken. Family members may also exit the vehicle to take photos of their graduate.

Photo Locations Descriptions: (see attached route)

- CSES picnic pavilion- Banner
- CSES front entrance- Electronic sign
- CSHS gym lobby- Short video interview
- CSHS front entrance area- Large banner
- CSHS planetarium lawn- Stage for diplomas

Vehicle/Transportation- Graduates may use a vehicle of their choosing (personal or family). Passenger limits for that vehicle must be adhered to. No tow-behind trailers. Graduates may have family members in the same vehicle, and are reminded that they may only exit their vehicle while at a designated stop. Students may wish to decorate their vehicle and are encouraged to do so. The decorations must be school appropriate.

We will attempt to accommodate individuals that may not have access to a vehicle. Please contact Mr. Przepiora or Mrs. Mumford ASAP if you need assistance. Email or call the school office to leave a message.

Cap & Gown- Graduates are encouraged to wear their cap and gown for the ceremony. Due to this ceremony being informal and non-traditional, the Class of 2020 may decorate their caps. Decorations could indicate a post-secondary plan or be an individual expression. Decorations must be school-appropriate at all times.

Diploma Procedure- Diplomas will be awarded at the final stop on the route in front of the school. The graduate and their family will exit their vehicle and approach the designated area while maintaining appropriate social distancing. Graduates will proceed across a stage to receive their diploma and other items from Mr. Nuhfer and a school board member. Family members will be able to take their own photographs from a marked area near the front of the stage. There will be an additional photographer at this location and these images will be made available at no charge. Once the graduate has received their diploma and all photos have been taken, they will return to their vehicle with their families and exit the property allowing for the next family group to do the same.

Virtual Content- Traditional graduation speeches will be recorded and made available for download. An audio .mp3 of the roll call and “Pomp and Circumstance” is another possibility for download and could possibly be played in your vehicle.

LiveStream- The stage area and presentation of diplomas will be available via Livestream. Follow this link to view the graduation as it happens.

<https://www.youtube.com/c/CSHSMarketing/live>

Our hope is that this graduation ceremony will be enjoyed by you, your family and friends, and the members of our community. If you have specific questions or concerns please contact Mr. Przepiora or Mrs. Mumford through school email, or you may call the school office to leave them a message. In addition, you may leave questions or comments on the CSHS Senior Class google classroom post dated May 18, 2020.

Sincerely,

Mr. Przepiora, Senior Class Advisor

Mr. Dave Nuhfer, Principal



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Takeout

EXIT

Cambridge Spring
Junior / Senior High...

Photo
Stop

Outdoor
Stage

ENTER

Photo
Stop

Cambridge Springs
Elem School

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Canfield St

Root Ave

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