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Running Calendar (please note - this is the best info we have but dates do change on occasion)

Sun	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat
31	June 1 * Periods 1, 2, 3	2 * Launch Day Event	3 * Periods 4, 5	4 * Launch Day Event * Virtual Graduation Production Day (10:35 AM - 2:15 PM)	5 * Periods 6, 7	6
7	8 * Periods 1, 2, 3	9	10 * Periods 4, 5	11 *Drop Off Day for Materials for Seniors	12 * Periods 6, 7 *Last Day of School for 12th Grade	13
14	15 * Periods 1, 2, 3 *Graduation Day	16	17 * Periods 4, 5	18	19 * Periods 6, 7 *Last Day of School for 9/10/11	20

Let us come together....

This past week has been filled with even more bad news. In addition to the pandemic, we learned of the tragic death of George Floyd and then of the protests, riots and destruction that followed in the wake. I cannot control what happens - but I hope I can influence the North Creek Community to come together during these difficult times rather than fall apart. I hope, no matter what our politics, we can stand united in our care not only for our own children, but for all our North Creek children. I hope we will find a common voice that says racism and hatred are not tolerated here. As Martin Luther King Jr. once wrote: "Returning hate for hate multiplies hate, adding deeper darkness to a night already devoid of stars. Darkness cannot drive out darkness; only light can do that. Hate cannot drive out hate; only love can do that. Hate multiplies hate, violence multiplies violence, and toughness multiplies toughness in a descending spiral of destruction." **Let us come together now, more than ever, to end racism, hatred, violence and destruction.** Our kids are looking to us for leadership.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

1. Virtual Graduation - This THURSDAY - Spread the Word!!!

As you all know, we will be filming all parts of our virtual graduation on **Thursday June 4th**. Seniors will film during specific time spots and all seniors need to be available to film sometime between **10:35 AM and 2:15 PM**.

Production Day:

- Seniors should be wearing their Graduation Gown (nice clothes and shoes underneath as is always the requirement at graduation), Silver Stole as well as their Cap & Tassel when they arrive (if you never got yours – come anyway – we will have a couple extras on hand)
- Seniors should have their green index card with them with their name printed clearly on one side and a [phonetic version](#) printed on the other side so the name reader can easily read their name correctly (if you lost your green index card, any kind of index card or any kind of paper will do)
- Seniors will need to be a passenger in the car – a family member (or members) should drive them to campus (the reason for this will be clear a little later) – if a senior does not have a family member that can drive them, please have them email me at northcreek@nsd.org
- Students in high risk populations should stay home or attend during the private invitation time (see below) if their family chooses
- **People who have COVID-19 or who are in close contact with someone who has COVID-19, must remain at home in isolation or quarantine**
- **People with COVID-19 symptoms (cough, fever, shortness of breath, etc.) and anyone who feels sick must stay home - no matter what**
- Each vehicle may contain only members from a single household who are not sick (no comingling of families or friends within a vehicle)
- Bathrooms will be available for emergency use only

Seniors and families need to arrive via the schedule below:

Who	Last Names	Arrival Time & Filming Window
Valedictorians	4.0 Medalists	10:35 – 10:45
Group 1	Abiador through Brenner	10:45 – 11:15
Group 2	Bromagen through Erb	11:15 – 11:45
Group 3	Erez through Jensen	11:45 – 12:15
Group 4	Jimenez through McGee	12:15 – 12:45
Group 5	Mehrsadeh through Rahbin	12:45 – 1:15
Group 6	Rahimzadeh through Simpson	1:15 – 1:45
Group 7	Skinner through Yang	1:45 – 2:15

This is one of those times when it's very, very important to not be too early or too late. We are going to try to be reading the names for the Ceremony in as close to alphabetical order as possible. If your last name is earlier in the alphabet for your group, you should try to arrive closer to the beginning of the window. If your last name is closer to the end of the alpha for your group, you should arrive later in the window. For example, in Group 3, Erez would want to arrive as close to 11:45 as possible whereas Jensen might want to arrive closer to 12:10 (right before Group 4 begins).

Two caveats:

1. We do have a more private filming time at 10:30 for students who might be worried, due to a medical condition, about filming later in the schedule. During this window, we will have not had many people on campus yet and we will strictly limit the number of people in the filming area. We are reaching out to several families that we know might need this option – but if you want this option because your student has an underlying medical condition, please email me at northcreek@nsd.org.
2. If a senior simply cannot make it during their window due to situations beyond their control, please email me at northcreek@nsd.org and we'll see what might be possible.

Upon arrival on Thursday June 4th, seniors and families need to arrive to school via 188th Street on the north side. Cars will zig-zag through the Student Parking Lot much like they did for Cap & Gown distribution. At the end of the zig-zag, cars will head south down the fire lane between Building 3 and the sports fields (see the attached map). During the zig-zag, no one (senior or family member) is allowed out of their car for any reason (again, like Cap & Gown Day). We are hopeful to have all NCHS teachers on hand in the zig-zag to celebrate you! Please know – staff cannot come close to your car as they are not allowed to physically interact with you in any way. But feel free to have your window down (as long as it's not raining) so you can hear the teachers and other staff members cheering for you from a safe distance.

Once your car is in the fire lane and arrives at the drop off point near the Aux Gym, your senior will get out of the car while **all other family members remain in the car at all times (unfortunately – non-adherence by students or families to safety protocols could result in exclusion from the production activity)**. If the weather holds, we are going to be filming outside of Building 3 and family members will be able to see their senior walk across the stage and be filmed from their cars (if not, we do have an indoor filming plan – both inside and outside plans are attached).

After the senior gets out of the car, they will go to a table to get their temperature taken by our Nurse (just in case) and get their diploma cover and any honor cords they may not yet have received. Jostens staff will be present to help make sure every senior looks great! All Jostens and NCHS staff interacting with seniors will be using personal protective equipment as will the production crew. Seniors will wait at pre-designated marks that are at least 6-feet apart so that we maintain strict physical distancing for all students at all times.

Seniors will wait at their mark until the student in front of them moves forward, at which point the family car should move forward as well. Seniors will make their way from the marks to the filming area and cars will hopefully keep up with them so that when it's time for filming, the family car has full view of their student while they are being filmed. Families are welcome to cheer for their student when they cross the stage, but please do not honk as the honking will disrupt the sound on the video and you may not hear your own student's name being called when you see the final Commencement video. Again, family members may not get out of their car for any reason the entire time from arrival on campus to departure. Families may take pictures from the car – and a downloadable professional photo will be provided to each family for free (printed photo packages will also be available but are not free).

After filming, students will walk to the family car, get in and then leave campus by going south down the bus loop and onto 191st. Think of this as a very slow parade. Seniors get out of the car and both the senior and the family car move slowly towards the filming area until they reunite after filming. Hopefully – this makes it clear why the student should be driven to campus by a family member as the “slow parade” doesn't work if the car doesn't move forward. If a senior does not have a family member that can drive them, please have them email me at northcreek@nsd.org and we'll find a way to make something work. We want every single senior who can safely be at the filming to be a part of Commencement 2020.

Finally, please know we want to film outside so families can see their senior walk across the stage and be filmed live. However, if we have high winds or torrential rain, we will have to move inside (drop off and pick up will work exactly the same – the same slow parade). We don't want your senior looking like they were in a storm when they are filmed. If we are inside, we'll be using both the Aux Gym and Main Gym (very large rooms with great ventilation), students will wait at marks 10-feet apart, and there will be minimal staff inside (and again, all staff interacting with students will be using personal protective equipment). If we are inside, families will not be able to see their student being filmed live as families cannot leave their cars – so let's all hope we can be outside!

We are all working hard to make this the best experience possible for families during these crazy times! If you have questions, please let me know!

2. Class of 2021 Fundraiser (from the Class of 2021 Officers)

Hey Parents! Class Council of 2021 Here! Due to covid many of our fundraisers have been canceled. This means our events for senior year are put at jeopardy and risk of getting canceled because we are lacking in funds. The good news is we are persevering and have started a donation based fundraiser to help raise money for our events like prom and senior sunrise/sunset. We do know that this time is hard and if you cannot donate that is completely ok! If you could help spread this link to anyone and everyone you know that would be great as well! Thank you so much for your help. The Class of 2021 greatly appreciates it!

Link to donate: <https://wa-northshore-lite.intouchrecepting.com/NCHS-Class-of-2021>

3. We have amazing kids at North Creek!

Recently, the NCHS Technology Student Association (TSA) participated in the TSA Washington State Conference and many students (over 30!!!) from North Creek placed in the top five for their events! Please help me in congratulating these students. Click [HERE](#) for a list of winners.

4. "Taking Home" Student Google Files

Seniors or anyone leaving the district can take all their Google-related items with them! Click [HERE](#) for instructions on how to do so.

Student accounts will be active for the year after they leave the district, and then will be deactivated.

5. Congratulations New DECA Officers

North Creek DECA has selected its 2020-2021 Executive Team. Congratulations go to:

- ★ President - [Caitlyn Widjaja](#)
- ★ VP of Competition - [Sarah Kovich](#)
- ★ VP of Membership - [Faith Freligh](#)
- ★ VP of Finance - [Amir Dhami](#)
- ★ VP of Communication - [Valeria Hernandez Miranda](#)
- ★ VP of Leadership - [Iris Zhou](#)

RECURRING ITEMS (info in the links changes weekly)

1. This Week's PTSA Newsletter

Click [HERE](#) for the latest PTSA newsletter!
