



Spring Lake Park High School

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Subject line: Class of 2020: Plans for August 1 at Spring Lake Park High School

Class of 2020 and families:

We know many of you are making plans for August and are curious about the August 1st date we've been holding for a possible in-person graduation event for the Class of 2020. We've been monitoring the situation in our state and evolving guidance from the Minnesota Department of Health. Given current guidelines that limit gatherings to 250 people or fewer, we are not able to host a formal graduation event on August 1.

We heard from many families that June's virtual graduation event, staff salute and picture-taking opportunities on campus helped celebrate the milestone. While we would welcome a chance to host a cap toss and formal, in-person graduation, this is currently not possible in ways that include the entire senior class.

We are tentatively planning for Panther Stadium to be open August 1, 12-4 p.m. The stadium would be available for small groups of graduates and friends to come and take photos. We also plan to have the stage set up and opportunities for graduates to walk across the stage and be handed a diploma. These are two opportunities we were not able to offer in June.

Given the changing public health conditions in our state and surrounding areas, we will confirm these plans in mid-July. We are required to follow Minnesota Department of Health guidance, and this informal opportunity would honor limits on group and gathering sizes as identified by current state guidelines.

Thank you for your understanding, and I hope you all are having a good summer.

Matthew Boucher
Principal