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A Fully Accredited, Missouri A+ School District...

Dear Center Graduates, Parents and Guardians,

We are excited to share some GOOD NEWS with our Center School District community. Pending the current local, state and national guidelines at that time, we will hold Graduation on Monday, May 24, 2021 at Starlight Theatre! We are thrilled to have the opportunity to recognize and celebrate our Class of 2021 graduates. It was a great event for the Class of 2020, and we are looking forward to also offering the opportunity to this year's graduating class.

Staff have been working with students to engage in graduation conversations and the overwhelming preference has been to host a live, in-person celebration. We have taken this feedback to heart and are planning a ceremony in an outside location that allows for social distancing while also celebrating this important milestone. As a non-profit organization, we are appreciative of Starlight Theatre for working with us to celebrate the Class of 2021 in such an iconic Kansas City setting.

Please know, we will need to continue to adhere to health and safety recommendations. Plans may evolve and require adjustments due to regional COVID-19 numbers. Starlight Theatre will require all participants and attendees to wear masks and undergo a temperature check before entry. Starlight Theater has also created a process to social distance and all guests will be asked to sit in assigned seats. Due to current capacity limitations, each graduate will receive six tickets. Tickets will have seat numbers and families, or friends must sit together in blocks of six. All guests must sit in their assigned seats to allow for proper social distancing guidelines. If inclement weather is forecasted, we have also secured a make-up rain day on Tuesday, May 25, 2021.

We have plans to live stream this year's graduation again, so family and friends unable to attend can watch from the safety of their homes. Additional planning details will continue to be refined and we will share more specifics in the coming weeks, however we wanted to share the good news and allow parents and students to save the date. We look forward to this special evening in being able to recognize our 2021 graduates.... under the stars!

Thank you and we look forward to celebrating our students.

Thanks, Center School District Leadership