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Kennedy Catholic families,

We look forward to Graduation Week for the Class of 2021. In this letter you will find all the information needed in order to make this week go smoothly for you and your graduate.

SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 2

- Senior Finals for all A Block classes (Periods 1, 2, 3, 4)

THURSDAY, JUNE 3

- Senior Finals for all B Block classes (Periods 5, 6, 7)

FRIDAY, JUNE 4

Baccalaureate Mass | John M. Goodwin Gymnasium at Kennedy Catholic High School
(140 S. 140th Burien, WA)*

- 10am | Graduates arrive in gown (no cap) and report to their assigned classroom. Doors will open for guests. Please note tickets ARE required for entry.
- 11am-Noon | Baccalaureate Mass, Fr. Jim Northrop presiding
- To watch the Baccalaureate Mass live online, visit www.kennedyhs.org/mass

***Baccalaureate Mass Parking/Drop-Off Details:**

With nearly 190 students graduating from Kennedy Catholic, parking will be challenging. It is our goal to ensure this process is respectful to our neighbors and trouble-free for our guests. The parking lot will open at 9am to accommodate guests and participants.

If you are not able to park in the campus lot, please be considerate to the city of Burien by making sure your vehicle is legally parked. Overflow parking for the Baccalaureate Mass is available at the Fred Meyer back parking lot (east side of the store) Parking lot located at 13838 1st Ave S.

To help make this a great event for everyone, please plan ahead and follow these directions:

- As traffic volume will be heavy, we recommend that you carpool to campus.
- Please follow the instructions provided by our administrative staff/parking attendants who will be directing traffic on campus and in the surrounding neighborhood.
- If you have a graduating senior, please drive your student to campus. We would prefer that seniors do not drive in a separate vehicle. This will reduce traffic overall.

- If your student is participating in the Baccalaureate Mass (band etc.), please drop them off on campus and arrange to pick them up after the mass is over.
- There will be several spots reserved for special needs parking but will only be allowed to those with a valid placard.
- Once the on-site parking lot is full, overflow traffic will be directed to nearby locations. Please follow the instructions provided by our parking attendants.

Graduation Ceremony | Washington State Fair Events Center, Puyallup (110 9th Ave SW Puyallup, WA)

- 5pm | Graduates arrive through the gold gate (parking in the gold lot) with cap and gown. There will be no place for them to store any items so please keep keys, cellphones, purses, etc. with parents.
- Gold gate will also open for all family members with graduation tickets to enter. The Washington State Fair Events Center does not allow balloons or artificial noise makers. These will be confiscated at the gate.
- Please note tickets ARE required for entry.
- 6-7:45pm | Graduation Ceremony (will begin promptly at 6pm)
- To watch the Graduation Ceremony live online, visit www.kennedyhs.org/2021graduation

Graduation Ceremony Reminders:

- No balloons or noise makers at graduation.
- Seating is assigned and must be adhered to.
- Graduating seniors will not have a location to store valuables so please keep them with you.
- Scones will be sold once you enter the gold gate.
- Adhere to mask guidelines and social distancing requirements.

Grad Party

- 8:30pm | Students will have time to change, turn in their graduation gown and head to the buses after the graduation ceremony. They will not be able to take anything with them on the buses, so please collect all their personal items before you leave the fairgrounds.
- 5:30am | Your student will return to Kennedy Catholic in front of the gym at 5:30am. Please be there to pick them up. The students will not have slept and should not be driving home.

Congratulations to the Class of 2021!