



KINGSWAY REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Dear Seniors and Parents/Guardians of the Class of 2024:

As you know, we recently conducted a *Graduation Venue Survey* and asked for your input as we begin to plan for the Class of 2024's graduation ceremony. Your answers helped us navigate the question of whether to continue with our traditional graduation ceremony, outdoors in Kingsway's Anthony "Tony" Barchuk Stadium, or move our ceremony to an indoor facility, off campus, at the Bob Carpenter Center at the University of Delaware. Below is a summary of the survey results. The wealth of information we received was an invaluable tool in making our decision. Thank you for your participation and feedback!

Summary of Survey:

- This survey was emailed to all members of the Class of 2024 and their parents/guardians. It ran for a period of ten days and closed on September 30, 2023.
- KRHS collected 374 responses in total. Seniors made up 29% of survey respondents while parents/guardians made up 71%.
- The survey reflected that 34% of the respondents chose to move the ceremony indoors to an off-campus location at the University of Delaware and 66% of respondents voted to keep the current outdoor graduation ceremony in Kingsway's football stadium, rain or shine.

Therefore, as a result of survey feedback, it is the *determination of this school administration to continue with our tradition of hosting our graduation ceremony on Kingsway's campus.*

Other Details: Graduation for the Class of 2024 will commence on **Friday, June 14, 2024**. While we are optimistic for a beautiful end-of-spring day, our [Inclement Weather Policy](#) will be in effect with the graduation ceremony being held rain or shine. Clear rain ponchos will be given to our seniors in the event of rain. If thunder and lightning force a postponement, school officials will move the ceremony to the reserved date, **Saturday, June 15, 2024**. Graduation will also continue to be streamed live and families can watch the ceremony from the comfort of their home or in the High School's Eitel Theater.

We look forward to the coming months that will culminate with commemorating a major milestone in our students' lives and the fulfillment of our vision to successfully prepare students for their unique path in life. As we strive for excellence in preparing for the upcoming graduation of the Class of 2024, we look forward to celebrating with you on Kingsway's campus.

Very truly yours,

Dr. James J. Lavender
Superintendent of Schools

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