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Practicing ‘Polar Bear Guts, Resilience, Integrity, Tenacity’ (GRIT) Every Day

Thursday May 14, 2020

Jeff Price, Ed.D.
Superintendent
Ext. 1210

To Graduating Seniors and Parents:

Wes Potter
Treasurer
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2020 SENIOR COMMENCEMENT NEWSLETTER

Andrew Cano
7 – 12 Principal
Ext. 1206

TO: Members of the class of 2020, Parents and Guardians

FROM: Andrew Cano, Principal, Hardin Northern High School
Andrew Wilson, Director of Student Services

Brett Halsey
K – 6 Principal
Ext. 1204

IN RE: Graduation - -May 17, 2020 - 2:00 P.M.

Brady Mast
Athletic Director
Ext. 1211

Graduation is almost here, so first off, congratulations on graduation and all of your accomplishments as a class and as individuals. We are very proud of you. This should be a special time in the lives of our seniors and your families, and although this has been the most challenging year in all of our lives, we are going to make the best of it. To help all of us have the best commencement possible, we have compiled this list of information for seniors and parents to use.

Brian Webb
Maintenance
Coordinator
Ext. 1218

GRADUATION SUNDAY:

*Sunday, May 17, 2020—Commencement to be held in the new parking lot between the softball and baseball field - 2:00 P.M.

Andy Emerine
Technology
Coordinator
Ext. 1027

*Graduates are to arrive at 1:15 pm in their vehicles, dressed in their cap and gown. The amount of people in the graduate’s car is based on space and the amount of seat belts. All graduates and their parents will be assigned a number, which will allocate where their parking spot is located. (Please read Plan C—“Drive-in Ceremony” for more details.) All graduates/parents will be parked before any additional family/guests.

Andy Ayers
Cafeteria
Coordinator
Ext. 1219

*Guest vehicles (additional family) can start arriving at 1:30 pm and will be parked by on-site law enforcement and school employees. We are not limiting guests, but parking may be limited. This is an unprecedented event that we are trying to accommodate as many as possible.

Mike Crist
Transportation
Coordinator
Ext. 1506

May 17, 2020-COMMENCEMENT—2:00 P.M.

FORMAL DRESS

1. Have gowns wrinkle-free before you arrive. Follow instructions on the package.
2. Ladies wear—light colored dress or skirt. Remember, dark colors or floral designs clearly show through the gown.
3. Men wear—black dress pants (all black denims are also permitted), nice shoes, white shirt and dark tie. (No tennis shoes, no BLUE jeans, and do not wear a jacket.)
4. Remember there is a Board Policy stating that there shall not be anything hanging from or written on your cap or gown. If there is, you will not be permitted to participate in the ceremony. Please help make the day go smoothly with your cooperation.

COMMENCEMENT PROCESS:

1. Honors diploma graduates will be in the first row, just as it is in a gymnasium graduation. There are eight Honors' Diploma graduates. The rest of the graduates will receive their diplomas in alphabetical order.
2. As soon as one graduate's name is called, the next one will be at the pre-stage area and will be ready for their turn to receive their diploma. A third student and family will be at the pre-Pre-stage area. There will be three students out at a time, one on stage, one ready to go on stage, and the next one to move up to the pre-stage area. It is important to know when it is your time to go so that you are in the proper order and it runs smoothly.

IMPORTANT NOTE: When the graduate exits the car for the reception of their diploma, parents, and parents only may also exit the vehicle and escort their graduate up to the Pre-stage area, which will be designated. Once the graduate has received their diploma, parents may move to the picture area in front of the new entry gate to take photos of their graduate with their diploma. Once the graduate steps down from the riser, parents may escort their graduate back to their vehicle.

All guests that are not directly participating in the ceremony MUST stay in their car or will be escorted out by on-site law enforcement.

ALMOST THERE:

1. If you owe fines or fees, if you still have material borrowed from teachers or the library, if you have anything to turn into teachers, please take care of these responsibilities quickly.

2. DO NOT ENTER THE SCHOOL OR BE ON SCHOOL PROPERTY WITHOUT SPECIAL PERMISSION BEFORE OR AFTER GRADUATION.

FINAL NOTE:

You have been an outstanding class. You have made your school and community proud of you. We expect to have a beautiful, meaningful, dignified commencement, so that each one of you will have the pleasure of your reward for twelve years of study. Sunday will be your day to shine in the limelight, so act your part well.

**REMEMBER: YOU GRADUATE IN PUBLIC FOR
YOUR PARENTS, FAMILY, AND FRIENDS.
THEY ARE PROUD OF YOU! CONTINUE TO MAKE THEM PROUD!**