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April 19, 2022

Dear 2022 Graduate and Parents:

The Class of 2022 Commencement Ceremony will be held on our Football Field on Saturday, May 21, 2022, at 10:00 a.m. Graduating seniors are to meet in the Multi-Purpose Room on that day at 9:00 a.m. Graduates will receive four (4) tickets for the graduation ceremony on the home side of the football stadium. In addition, we will supply our graduates with two (2) additional tickets for seating in the visitors' side with limited visibility. This will allow for additional family members to experience this important moment, and we are sure your guests will be pleased. Students will receive graduation tickets at the graduation practice held on Friday, May 20, 2022.

We have also made plans for several weather-related alternate dates and times to hold our outdoor ceremony if inclement weather interferes with the original 10:00 a.m. on Saturday. Those alternative times will be as follows: Saturday, 5/21 at 6:00 p.m.; Sunday, 5/22 at 10:00 a.m.; Sunday, 5/22 at 6:00 p.m.; Monday, 5/23 at 6:00 p.m.; or Tuesday, 5/24 at 6:00 p.m. Please check our website, social media, e-mail, and phone messages in case of bad weather and we will use the first available alternative that we see fit.

Please remember to share the following procedures and guidelines with your graduation guests. They will be enforced for your comfort and safety:

- No one will be admitted late into bleachers once the procession begins. Please allow ample time for parking.
- No one will be admitted into the ceremony without a ticket. This includes children.
- No one will be readmitted into bleachers if they leave in the middle of the ceremony.
- Special seating will be provided only for the handicapped/disabled.
- Aisles must be kept open; exits must remain clear.
- **A-K** seating will be on the North side of the field.
L-Z seating will be on the South side of the field.
- Airhorns and other noise-makers will not be allowed into stadium.
- Strollers will NOT be allowed in the stadium bleacher area. They may stand off to side of bleachers.
- We will not allow balloons for your graduate into the stadium ceremony. Please leave them in car.

For your benefit, we have made arrangements with Lifetouch to have a professional photographer take a picture of every graduate when he/she receives a diploma. Lifetouch will mail a postcard to all families with online proofs and ordering information after graduation. We feel this service will enable all parents to have a picture of their graduate while providing a dignified atmosphere. Parents are encouraged to relax in their seats and limit their personal picture taking to before or after the presentation of diplomas. As an extra service, we have also arranged with Zaker Video Productions to record this year's graduation ceremony. Information about the cost of this service will be distributed at Senior check out.

Please read the enclosed graduation sheet that accompanies this letter. It contains additional information that you should find helpful. If you have any questions, feel free to contact me at 599-7200, ext. 565. In closing, I congratulate you and your family on this wonderful occasion and extend my best wishes for a bright and successful future.

Sincerely,

Thomas Witting
Director of Student Activities



CLASS OF 2022



The following information should help you plan effectively for your graduation:

Friday, May 13, 2022 - LAST DAY FOR SENIORS

Thursday, May 19, 2022 - SENIOR CHECK OUT DAY - Auditorium

Students whose last name begins with **A - K** (8:00 a.m. to 9:15 a.m.)

Students whose last name begins with **L - Z** (9:15 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.)

Attendance is mandatory. Students that do not attend check out will not be permitted to participate in the Commencement Ceremony.

Senior Check Out includes graduation certification by your counselor and payment of outstanding fees and library fines. **This is also the ONLY TIME you may pick up your cap and gown.**

Friday, May 20, 2022 - GRADUATION REHEARSAL – begins in Main Gym
(8:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.)

Attendance is mandatory for all graduating seniors who wish to participate in the ceremony. If you do not wish to participate, you may pick up your diploma in the Guidance Office starting on Wednesday, May 25th.

A group panoramic picture of the Class of 2022 will be taken at 8:00 **sharp** at the start of rehearsal.

At the rehearsal, you will receive your tickets and final information about the graduation ceremony. **Graduates will be given FOUR (4) TICKETS for the Home Stadium side and TWO (2) for the Visitors side with limited view. No one will be admitted without a ticket - even small children need a ticket.**

Saturday, May 21, 2022 - GRADUATION DAY – Football Stadium
(10:00 a.m.)

Graduating seniors are to meet in the Multi-Purpose Room at 9:00 a.m. **sharp!** Graduates should park in the Austin Avenue lot and enter the school near Main Gym or Entrance H.

Graduates will be expected to dress appropriately for this very important day in their lives. **NO SOCKS, NO SHIRT, NO DIPLOMA!** Shorts, gym shoes, flip-flops and the like, are not allowed. Please be aware that spiked heels will also not be allowed on turf for safety reasons.

You may pick up your group picture in the Multi-Purpose Room after the Commencement Ceremony. The cost is \$25.00 for a laminated photograph.

Lifetouch will be taking photos as each graduate receives his/her diploma. You will be receiving information in the mail from Lifetouch regarding this service.

C O N G R A T U L A T I O N S ! ! !

If you have any questions about the graduation process, please call Mr. Witting in the **Student Activities Office, ext. 565.**