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Dear 8th Grade Families,

We would like to share the details of this year's 8th grade combination virtual remote and car procession graduation ceremony. First and foremost, thank you to everyone for volunteering to help, your ideas and your work to make this a special event to celebrate our students. The Governor's updated order allowing drive through or in-person graduation ceremonies with restrictions helped us to add another nice component to the evening for our graduates.

The district is planning for a combination remote virtual graduation and car procession ceremony at the school to honor our 8th grade students on **Thursday, June 11th**. A graduation video with graduation speakers, student awards and other elements of a traditional ceremony will be shared with families remotely at 5:00pm. Beginning at 5:45 pm at the school, graduates and parents are being invited to a car procession at the school with social distancing and social gathering protocols in place. Due to strict graduation restrictions and restrictions on gatherings of 10 or more, limited staff and community guests will be present on site.

Details for the evening are as follows:

- Families will be invited to drive through one at a time in 1 or 2 vehicles per family. Groups will receive an invite time of either 5:45pm, 6:10pm, 6:30pm or 6:50pm to line up in the car lane (assigned times will be shared prior to the evening).
- One car/family at a time will be invited to drive up to the front of the building. The graduate, in cap and gown, will exit the car, be announced and proceed to an isolated table and podium to receive their diploma and graduation gifts. Parents may take pictures and have approximately 1-2 minutes before being asked to move along for the next family. Cars must exit the parking lot following their opportunity to be recognized.
- The next car will proceed the same way until all 43 8th grade graduates have been recognized.
- All individuals must remain in their cars while waiting. The student graduate and immediate family may get out of the car when called up to the podium in the front of the building.
- Limited staff will be on hand to congratulate students and organize the event.
- No other cars are permitted to be parked on property or present for viewing the event.
- The event will conclude at approximately 7:30pm when all graduates have had the opportunity to drive through, have their names announced and receive their diplomas.

*Plans are subject to change with the release of new guidelines or other considerations.

Sincerely,

Kathleen Haines
Superintendent

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Principal