

West Lafayette Junior-Senior High School

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June 26, 2020

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Director of
Special Education*

Dear Graduates and Graduates' Families,

Joel T. Strode
*Assistant Principal/
Athletics Director*

We are three weeks away from July 17, the designated day for your commencement ceremony. The senior class officers and student council executive board have put together a ceremony that complies with local health department recommendations and includes as many seniors and their families as possible. On behalf of the officers, I want to thank all 2020 grads and their parents/guardians for your patience.

Eric Ulrich
*Assistant
Principal/Director of
Student Services*

Following is the plan for the day. It has been approved by the Tippecanoe County Health Department.

Libby Sheffield
*Director of
Counseling*

MORNING PRACTICE / July 17 / 10 AM / Berberian Gymnasium

Brandon Hamilton
*Director of
Technology*

- Graduation practice is mandatory for anyone who plans to attend the ceremony.
- Begin arriving at 9:45 AM to keep yourselves socially distanced as you enter the building.
- Park in the south lot, and enter through the Athletic Entrance.
- Wear a mask and bring an extra layer (the gym is kept very cool on graduation day).
- NOTE: Grads will be seated on the gym floor with 3' spacing between each person. **Masks must be worn during practice and the ceremony.**
- You will find your seat labeled with your name (in alphabetical order).
- We will go through the ceremony to prepare for the evening.
- If you already received your diploma, and you will be participating in the ceremony, please bring your diploma with you to practice. We will collect it from you and return it to you at the ceremony.
- Practice should be over around 11:00.

Courtney Fitzsimons
*Director of Food
Services*

EVENING CEREMONY / July 17 / 7 PM / Berberian Gymnasium

- Begin arriving at 6:30 PM, again for social distancing.
- Each grad is allowed two guests. Grads and guests need to arrive together, as no guest will be admitted without a grad. Anyone who is in a high-risk category, who has symptoms of COVID-19, or who will find it difficult to stay in one spot for the entire ceremony should not attend.
- Park in the south lot, and enter through the Athletic Entrance.
- **All grads and guests are asked to wear a mask at all times while in the school building. Grads are required to wear masks once seated and throughout the ceremony.**
- Guests will seat and socially distance themselves in the gym bleachers.
- The ceremony will be streamed online for anyone who is unable to attend. The link for the livestream will be emailed to everyone closer to July 17.

- All grads' names will be read, whether they are present or not.
- At the conclusion of the ceremony to help keep everyone spread out while leaving, guests seated on the south side of the gym will be asked to exit through the east gym doors; guests seated on the north side will be asked to exit through the west gym doors. (Someone will remind us which way to go.)
- Please maintain distance as you exit the building as quickly as possible.
- Once outside, please continue to Leslie Field for a chance to mingle at a distance with the class of 2020 and enjoy the banner parade, weather permitting.

As always, please contact me with questions.

Sincerely,

Libby Sheffield

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Senior Class Sponsor