



Corunna High School



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Senior Parent/Guardian:

As previously communicated with senior families and based on survey results, if we were not able to host a traditional graduation ceremony on Saturday, June 27, the next step would be to host a personal/individual commencement with immediate family members with social distancing at the Nick Annese Stadium on Saturday, June 27 (rain date June 28).

With that being said, we are moving forward with a personal/individual commencement ceremony on **Saturday, June 27, from 5:30-8:30 pm (rain date June 28).**

The reason for making this determination is to ensure we follow the law (Executive Order 2020-110), which states, "Outdoor social gatherings and events among persons not part of a single household are permitted, but only to the extent that: The gathering or event does not exceed 100, and People not part of the same household maintain six feet of distance from one another." Being that Shiawassee County is in Region 6, which is still in Phase 4 of the MI Safe Start Plan, there is no viable option in the near future which allows for all 148 seniors to walk together, have all of their family members present, and comply with the law.

Our plan follows:

- Students will graduate twenty (20) at a time.
- Each student may have up to four (4) guests with them to hear their name read and see them get their diploma. We are limiting the number of staff that will be present in the football stadium to keep exposure to everyone involved at a minimum and to follow the law's requirements.

Prior to the ceremony beginning on June 27th, we will have a video available on all of our social media platforms (Facebook, Twitter, YouTube, and district website) with this year's graduation speeches. More information will be forthcoming.

Listed below are several key aspects of our planned graduation.

1. **Guests:** Each graduate may have up to four (4) guests per family to watch them receive their diploma. No tickets are needed. It is the family's decision to select the graduate's guests.
2. **Photographer:** A professional photographer will take a picture of the graduate on stage when receiving the diploma. Additional photographers will take a posed photo of the graduate at planned locations near the baseball outfield.

3. **Entering the Nick Annese Stadium:** Spots will be established for the graduates and their families to maintain a safe distance from other graduates and families while in line. Graduates and their families will enter the football stadium together where we will have school employees direct everyone where to go.
4. **Congregating:** Please avoid congregating with other families in the parking lot. We are doing our best to practice social distancing and to follow the law.
5. **Recommended Dress:** We encourage all of our graduates to dress appropriately underneath their graduation gown as this is a formal affair.
6. **Live Streaming:** We will be offering a free live stream of the ceremony through our Pixellot system. To watch LIVE please go to our NFHS homepage - <https://www.nfhsnetwork.com/schools/corunna-high-school-corunna-mi> and click on the link for the ceremony.
7. **Opt-Out:** If you choose not to have your graduate participate in the graduation ceremony, please email Sherri Svrcek at ssvrcek@corunna.k12.mi.us to let us know. Those students will be able to pick-up their diploma at the high school on Monday, June 29.
8. **Selecting a Time:** Each graduate will sign up to graduate during a 20-minute block of time using the online website *SignUp Genius*. Students should contact their friends before signing up if they wish to graduate together during the same time slot. Students or parents may access SignUp Genius here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70a0d4cafaf2da4fc1-graduation>
9. **How to Reserve Your Spot:**
 - a. Select the time slot.
 - b. Click the submit and sign up button.
 - c. Enter the graduate's first and last name and your preferred email contact.
 - d. Then click the sign up now button.

There will be slots for twenty (20) students to sign up in each block of time. Students must sign up by **Sunday, June 21st**.

Students must be on time and ready to go during that block of time. The sign up is live once this letter is communicated with our senior parents.

We look forward to celebrating the graduates of the Class of 2020 on Saturday, June 27th! It certainly is a year for the record books!

Sincerely,
Barry Thomas
Principal

Paul Brieger
Operations Principal