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Class Farewell Update- June 7

As we approach our June 25 Class Farewell date, we continue to see changes occurring to our Provincial Guidelines and we want to share with you the latest information available to us. Working with our AHS Environmental Public Health Inspection team and BRSD Senior Administrative team we are confident that we will be able to provide our grade 12 students with a ceremony that works within these safety guidelines.

As previously communicated, we presented 4 different scenarios based upon these regulations and we are now at a place to commit to a combination between **Plan A/Plan C- a Farewell Ceremony consisting of grade 12 participants with 2 guests in attendance.** This plan will also be following the guidelines laid out by Alberta Health Services:

- Students must remain in cohort classes.
- Indoor graduation ceremonies will be limited to ¼ of the fire code occupancy and can only take place as a seated event. In order to accommodate our large graduation class, we will be splitting the class into 3 separate groups, to allow for the increase in attendance, and the opportunity for 2 guests to attend. A live stream would still be made available for those family members unable to attend the live event.
 - Group 1- 4:00- 5:00
 - o Group 2- 5:30- 6:30
 - Group 3- 7:00-8:00
- Masking and physical distancing between guest groupings is required. Assigned seating will be set up to help facilitate this.
- No indoor social gatherings are permitted. Students will arrive at the school and be expected to immediately report to their homeroom cohort class. From there, they will be escorted into the gymnasium and have an opportunity to walk across the stage to receive their certificate and then be a part of the rest of their group's ceremony. Guests will arrive at the school no earlier than 15 minutes prior to the start of their scheduled ceremony. They, too, must proceed straight to the gymnasium and sit in their assigned seat. We would ask at the conclusion of each ceremony that all students and guests vacate the school as quickly as possible to allow for sanitization and preparation for the next group. This means no one can be mingling together, stopping to chat, or moving together for quick photos.
- The school has hired a professional photographer and video crew that will be taking photos and videos and all will be shared with families and students.
- Masks must be worn at all times once in the school.
- Guests must remain seated in their assigned seats at all times.
- Any participants attending the event must ensure that they are "well" and must follow all hand sanitizing guidelines and protocols that are in place.



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In addition, the staff is also planning to provide the grade twelves with a virtual performance from the staff band, special messages from the school, and a bagged breakfast in their cohorts during period 2 on Thursday, June 24.

Over the next week the staff will be working hard around the details of this event. We are hopeful that we will be able to share these details next week that include the specific time that each student will be assigned.

Please remember that this plan is still contingent on the Alberta Government "Open for Summer Plan" and reaching stage 2 by June 25. If we do not meet the benchmarks that the government has set out, we will modify our Farewell Ceremony and limit it to only graduating students without the presence of outside guests. Our plans are also subject to change if our school experiences a surge in COVID cases between now and June 25.

In order for this event to be safe and successful for everyone, it is imperative that all of our guidelines listed above are followed. We thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Once again, on behalf of the entire Class Farewell Committee with thank you for your patience and understanding.

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