



JERSEY SHORE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

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May 12, 2020

RE: 2019-20 GRADUATION PLAN

Dear Seniors, Parents and Guardians:

Jersey Shore Area Senior High School Graduation will be held on Saturday, June 6, 2020 adhering to COVID-19 Phase Yellow requirements. On May 11, 2020, the Jersey Shore Area School Board of Directors waived district policies pertaining to graduation and promotion requirements for Jersey Shore Area School District students. These waivers were necessary in accordance with the statewide COVID-19 school shut down issued by Governor Tom Wolf and Secretary Pedro Rivera. Graduation ceremonies for the 2019-20 school year must follow the guidelines set forth by the Pennsylvania Department of Education and Department of Health. As you are aware, our area is still operating in Phase Yellow which is anticipated through the next few weeks, impacting graduation.

The 2019-20 Jersey Shore Area Senior High School Graduation Plan, in its entirety, is attached to this email to every senior student. These unprecedented times call for creative solutions to challenging problems. Unfortunately, due to the COVID-19 school closures, we are not able to proceed with graduation ceremonies as they have occurred in the past. However, the 2019-20 Graduation Plan provides an opportunity for our students to realize prestige and recognition by walking across the stage in honor of their achievement as a high school student and graduate of Jersey Shore.

Below are the basic components of the 2019-20 Jersey Shore Area Senior High School Graduation Plan. **The full version of the graduation plan is attached to this emailed for the senior students.**

Graduation Date: June 6, 2020 **Start Time:** 9:00 AM

Location: Jersey Shore Area Senior High School

Live Stream / Record Speeches and Distribution of Diplomas

Vehicle Procession to Stage Area (Staggered Times Below)

- **Distribution Groupings**

9:30: Class Officers / Val / Sal

Students - (*Alexander - Corson*)

10:00: Students - (*Crothers - Gallagher*)

10:30: Students - (*Gallick - Kershner*)

11:00: Students - (*Knepp - Paulhamus*)

11:30: Students - (*Penton - Spangler*)

12:00: Students - (*Spotts - Young*)

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701 Cemetery Street
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Graduation Ceremony Rules - COVID-19 / Social Distancing

- Parent / Guardian - Driver
- Student Graduate - Passenger
- **Limited Total Passengers: ONLY** Parents/Guardians and Siblings
- **ONLY** Vehicles with Graduating Students Permitted
- Spectators Beyond the Graduate Vehicle - **NOT Permitted**
- Must Stay In Vehicles - Until Graduate Enters Staging Area
- Decorate Graduate Vehicle (If desired)
- Follow Traffic & Procession Flow and Timing
- ALL Graduation Rules of Decorum Apply - *This is a special occasion for ALL seniors and their parents. We ask that you respect everyone's celebration achievements.*
- **COVID-19 Code Yellow Social Distancing Requirements Apply**
 - Social Distancing (6 feet distance to Non-Family)
 - Wear Masks Outside of Vehicles
 - May be removed for Pictures & Stage (if desired)
 - 25 Person Max / Area
 - No Groupings
 - No Physical Contact (Handshaking, etc.)
 - Limited Number of Vehicles (Follow Time Slots)

Again, the full 2019-20 Jersey Shore Area Senior High School Graduation Plan is attached to this emailed.

We are looking forward to a joyous graduation program as we navigate the parameters of COVID-19. Please continue to check your student email accounts as this is the primary method of communication with the Jersey Shore Area Senior High School students.

Stay Safe - Stay Healthy - Stay Positive

Sincerely,



Steven P. Keen
Principal / Director of CTE



Dr. Elizabeth J. Segraves
Assistant Principal



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May 13, 2020

RE: 2019-20 GRADUATION PLAN – SENIOR INFORMATION

Pennsylvania COVID-19 Code Yellow / Social Distancing Requirements Apply

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May 31, 2020:

Award Ceremony - Cancelled

- **Virtual Presentation (Facebook)**
 - Student Pictures (Senior Yearbook Pictures)
 - List of Awards and Amounts
- Awards announced at graduation with student
- Provided to local newspapers
- Student Awards will be distributed in packets at graduation

June 6, 2020:

Graduation Ceremony - Social Distancing / Vehicle Parade Graduation

- Saturday, June 6, 2020 @ 9:00 am
- Live Stream (Depending on Social Distancing) Speeches
- **SOCIAL DISTANCING RESTRICTONS APPLY**
- **Distribution of Diplomas**
 - Begin @ 9:00 AM (Scheduled Times for Seniors per Alphabet)
 - Location: **High School**
 - Stage near Entrance A Bottom of Steps
- **Graduate Drop-off**
 - Parent Driver / Graduate Passenger
 - Parent Driver Stops at designated location near stage
 - Graduate Approaches Stage - Provides Name
 - Staging Area for Next Graduate (Marked for Social Distancing)
- **Stage Area**
 - Announce Name
 - Graduates enter stage and receive Diploma Jacket (No Diploma) from a Diploma Stand. (Location Identified on Stage)
 - Hold Diploma Jacket for pictures - Location will be marked
 - Move Tassel from **Right** to **Left** (Video / Pictures)
 - Exit Stage (Go to Graduate Packet Area)

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- **Graduate Packet Area**
 - Stop at Graduate Packet Area (Designated Area - Away from Stage Area)
 - Provide Name to Packet Attendant
 - Receive Packet - (Confirm it is yours)
 - Depart Graduation Packet Area
 - Graduation Packets
 - Diploma
 - Awards
 - Student Records / Other Items

- **Picture Booth Area (PENDING COVID-19 PARAMETERS)**
 - **TENTATIVE**
 - Stop at Marked Location
 - Graduate / Parent(s) take pictures
 - Limited Amount of Time

- Exit School Area for proper procession / traffic flow

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- **Limited Total Passengers: ONLY Parents/Guardians and Siblings**
 - *(MAX- Number of seatbelts in vehicle)*
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Graduation Ceremony - Procedures

- Live Streamed and/or Video Recording
- Radio Broadcast (*Tentative*)
- Welcome (Principal Steven Keen)
- Convocation (Superintendent, Dr. Brian Ulmer or Assistant Superintendent Dr. Ken Dady)
- Speech: Class President (Gyasi Russo - Introduced by Mr. Keen)
- Speech: Salutatorian (TBD - Introduced by Dr. Segraves)
- Speech: Valedictorian (TBD - Introduced by Mr. Keen)
- Verification of Class (Principal Steven Keen)
- Distribution of Diplomas (Groups and Times)
 - **Follow Student Grouping Times**

Distribution of Diplomas / Student Grouping Times

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Graduation Stage Area

- Stage Participants
 - *Superintendent - Dr. Brian Ulmer*
 - Assistant Superintendent - Dr. Ken Dady
 - Principal - Steven Keen
 - Assistant Principal - Dr. Elizabeth Segraves
 - School Board President - Craig Allen
 - Senior Class Advisors - Janna Riggle / Michele Long
 - Photographer - Dave Miller
 - Sound Engineer - Chris Lahr -OR- Sound Attendant
 - Technology Director - Patrick McCormick / Assistant
 - School Resource Officer - Officer Kyle Fera
 - Graduating Senior(s)
 - Class President (Gyasi Russo)
 - Valedictorian (TBD) - For Speech & Diploma
 - Salutatorian (TBD) - For Speech & Diploma
- Traffic Flow Control by JSASD Security/Event Staff and TVRPD

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