



## Fairfield Union High School

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Dear Seniors,

As we approach the end of this school year, I realize there are many unanswered questions regarding your end of the year activities, especially Graduation. You are already aware that per Mr. Belville's previous communications we will be making the "official" announcement about Graduation plans on May 15. The purpose of this communication is to give you an idea of what we are planning. We have considered every conceivable option to make your experience the best we possibly can within the parameters the state has established. We want your Graduation experience to be the best it can be.

Here is an overview of what is in the works. While this is not absolutely final until May 15 we are putting the finishing touches on these items.

1. Senior Yard Signs (this is definitely happening) - We will be placing these along the entry road around the pond at the front of the school. These signs should be up by the middle of next week.

**Please be aware that you are going to be able to take this home with you on Saturday, May 23. Dave Saunders, who is our school photographer, will be selling extra copies if you need them, but we are providing one yard sign to each of you.**

2. Senior Awards - While we will not be able to bring everyone together for senior awards, we will still recognize all of you who will be receiving an award in a digital presentation. We will recognize our Senior Salute winners in this presentation as well. All Senior Award recipients will get a copy of this presentation for your memory books.
3. Graduation Plans - On Saturday, May 23 we are planning to distribute all of your Graduation attire as well as end of year awards and programs to you. In conjunction with the distribution of Graduation attire, we are planning to serve you lunch in your cars. We are also finalizing a parade that will be led by local fire departments and police. The parade route will run through Pleasantville, Rushville and Bremen before returning to the High School. When you return to the school after the parade you will be able to take your yard sign home with you. (This day will kick off our Graduation process).



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4. Diploma Appointments and Video - Beginning on May 26 and running for two weeks until June 5, we will be distributing your diplomas by appointment. You will be permitted to bring up to 6 family members with you to watch you receive your diploma and take pictures. You will wear your full graduation attire for this event including your cords. We will video students walking the stage and then put all of the videos together to make a digital Graduation program. All graduates will receive a copy of the digital Graduation Ceremony.
5. Graduation speeches - All Valedictorians will also be giving their speeches during this time. We will video the speeches to be included in our Graduation Ceremony.
6. Graduation Ceremony Screening - For the purpose of you being able to make plans, the digital ceremony will be released on June 14 at 6:00 PM. Details in regards to the public release of the Graduation Ceremony will be released on May 15.

I realize this in no way matches a real Graduation experience, but we are hopeful this will create some well deserved memories for you and your families! If you have any questions at all please do not hesitate to reach out to me. The administrative team is looking forward to being able to see you in the coming weeks, we have missed you and want to help you celebrate your accomplishment in a manner fitting and appropriate to you!

Sincerely,

Matt McPhail  
Principal