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2020 Graduation Ceremony Plan

Overton Public School District Board of Education believes graduation is an accomplishment in a student's life that needs recognized and celebrated. The COVID-19 virus pandemic has caused many disruptions in our student's and family's lives. Given our belief in the importance of graduation, we will provide our seniors with a face to face graduation ceremony on Saturday, June 20, 2020 beginning at 10:00 a.m. in the north gym.

The graduation ceremony plan is designed to keep our students and guests as safe and healthy as possible and follow all Directed Health Measures (DHM) "Gatherings" protocol for Phase II. It is the school district's intention to communicate to everyone that during any type of gathering, it is important to take appropriate actions to reduce the spread of the virus. The school district also recommends precautions be taken with pre and post-graduation gatherings and celebrations.

Graduation ceremony rehearsal will take place on Friday, June 19, 2020 beginning at 10:00 a.m. in the north gym of the school. All Direct Health Measures will be enforced.

The school district will communicate graduation ceremony procedures and directions to all graduates and their families in advance of the ceremony.

Attendees

The ceremony attendees will be limited to the following.

1. Twenty-four Seniors.
2. School administration including superintendent, principal, and guidance counselor.
3. School Board President.
4. Sound System Director.
5. Video Director.
6. Personnel to help direct guests and graduates before, during, and after the ceremony.
7. No more than six members in a graduate's family unit.

Social Distancing

1. Provide appropriate social distancing for graduates and attendees.
2. Provide personnel to ensure appropriate social distancing is maintained for our guests when arriving, during, and upon leaving the ceremony. Marks on the floor will keep arriving guests at the appropriate social distance while their temperature is taken and until they can be directed to their seats.
3. Guests and graduates will be instructed on how to exit the facility to reduce inappropriate interaction.
4. Graduates will keep the appropriate social distance while preparing for the ceremony.
5. Standing line marks on the floor will show graduates where to stand while gathering to enter the gym.
6. Graduates seats will be a minimum of six feet apart.
7. Each graduate will be allowed no more than six members of a family unit to attend the ceremony. Each family unit will be spaced at least six feet apart from other family units.
8. Stage party will remain six feet apart.

Health Considerations

1. All parties associated with the graduation ceremony will have their temperature taken upon arrival at the facility. Anyone who shows signs of an illness will not be allowed to enter the facility.
2. School personnel will provide direction and guidance for all guests as they enter and leave the gym and facility.
3. No social gatherings either before or after the ceremony will be allowed on school property. This type of gathering could expose those present to the virus.
4. Seating, doors, and restrooms will be sanitized before and after the ceremony.

Personal Responsibility

Those who are sick or who are at risk are encouraged to stay at home. This includes:

1. The elderly.
2. People with underlying medical conditions.
3. Family members who reside with the elderly or others at risk.
4. People who have access to nursing institutions.

5. People who have upper respiratory or flu like symptoms.
6. People who live with someone with flu-like or respiratory symptoms .
7. People who have COVID-19.
8. People who have been exposed to someone with COVID-19.

Overton Public School would like to thank everyone for following the Directed Health Measures and graduation plan during the 2020 ceremony. Our goals are to provide a face to face ceremony and a safe and healthy environment for our graduates, their families, and our staff.