

Graduation 2020 UPDATE

As per our previous communication, this is the first of many updates regarding 2020 graduation. We are still determined to create a final memory for the 2020 Spirit Lake seniors. Reminder, we have reserved the dates of June 18-20 for graduation. While we understand the desire to have an exact date and time for the ceremony, we are not making that determination at this time. We are holding on the decision to capture the best scenario based on weather forecasts and COVID guidelines.

Our plan is to have graduation outside on the football field if allowed. We intend to have our graduates in the bleachers and our families spread out on the 100 yard field to allow for our best possible social distancing. Families will be asked to bring lawn chairs and/or blankets for seating. This is certainly a historic time and this will be one historic graduation ceremony that no one will ever forget! We will provide you additional information regarding ceremony information and graduate caravan plans through additional weekly updates on June I and June 8. The final decision, including date, time and final details, will be communicated on June I5. We will also stream the outdoor ceremony, allowing those who cannot attend (due to health, distance or number restrictions) to celebrate remotely with their special graduate.

If weather or COVID-19 absolutely does not allow an outdoor ceremony, Spirit Lake High School graduation will be held, allowing individual graduate's a stage walk for their diploma and the opportunity to take photos with their family. In addition, a virtual ceremonial message will be delivered. More details will be provided in a later update.

We congratulate our 2020 seniors on the many outstanding awards they received. If you missed the awards ceremony, you can watch at this link: Award's Night Ceremony. To review the Award's Night Program, with the winning graduates' names, click here: Awards Program. In addition, the senior spotlight video that was compiled and shared to recognize and honor our seniors can be watched here: Senior Spotlight Video.

This remains a fluid situation. Please continue to direct your questions to: <u>districtoffice@spirit-lake.k12.ia.us</u>. We look forward to giving you an additional update next Monday, June 1st.

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