

Good Morning Students,

As I have stated earlier this week in my letter, end-of-year activities, especially the graduation ceremony has been discussed at length. Where we are now as a community and a state relative to COVID is far different than where we were just a few short weeks ago. The situation is a fluid one and one that is ever-changing. That all being said, metrics are trending in the right direction and we are slowly starting to have a return to normalcy.

Due to these extraordinary times and in no way am I trying to set a precedent, I asked you to complete a survey. This survey asked you if you favored a parade as a means of celebrating or if you favored a traditional more formal type of ceremony, one that due to the O'Neil Center at WCSU not being an option would be held on our football field. 70% of you responded expressing your wish to have the graduation on our football field. **Therefore, this year's graduation will be held on Saturday, June 19, 2021, at 11:00 a.m. here and NMHS on our football field.** We will have a formal graduation practice on Friday, June 18, 2021, starting at 9:00 a.m. Information about the graduation practice, the ceremony, and the expectations relative to dress and decorum will be sent out to you and your family in the coming days. These are the same expectations as we have used for all of our graduation ceremonies in the past, making the ceremony a ceremony that we all love and are proud of.

I look forward to seeing you all very soon at what promises to be a memorable graduation.

Sincerely,

Greg P. Shugrue