

5/19/2020

Greetings Parents/Guardians of the New Brighton Class of 2020:

Following the news of Beaver County entering the protocol of Yellow Phase, we are pleased to announce some updates to our recent graduation plans. The following are details that will take place for the 2020 graduating class on Wednesday, June 03 at 6:00 p.m.

1. Graduation will take place in the New Brighton High School upper parking lot and vehicles will face the high school.
2. Each graduate is permitted one regular sized vehicle with their family members inside. The vehicle must fit fully within a standard parking space.
3. Graduates are permitted to decorate their vehicles with parent permission.
4. Parking will begin at 4:30 p.m. You will park in the regular parking spaces facing the high school. Teachers and Law Enforcement will be assisting in directing you upon arrival.
5. WBVP Radio will be broadcasting the ceremony live and streaming video live on Facebook.
6. All spectators and graduates must remain in their vehicles at all times until directed to exit their vehicles for various portions of the program. During the diploma presentation, graduates will be called up in waves. When called, each wave of graduates will exit their vehicles and walk over to the sidewalk closest to the soccer field to be greeted by their teachers. Teachers will organize that wave of students in the order in which they will be called while maintaining social distancing. This ordered list will also be in your programs for you to follow along. Once the graduate's name is announced, the graduate will walk to the diploma tent to receive their diploma. Following the receipt of their diploma, the graduate will return to his/her vehicle.
7. Special recognitions will occur during the event such as Student speeches, recognizing the Top 10, and various recognitions of student groups; as we customarily do during graduation. Student speeches will be permitted to be live and at the podium. Mr. Yates and Mr. Budacki will coordinate this with students who will be giving speeches.
8. Commencement will be held regardless of weather.
9. Following the commencement ceremony, graduates and their families will be led out of the parking lot and participate in a parade around New Brighton.
10. The following are expectations for participation in the parade.
  - a. Everyone must remain in their vehicles at all times.
  - b. No one is permitted to ride in the back of a pickup truck at any time during the parade.
  - c. If you are participating in the parade, your parent or guardian must be the driver.

Mr. Yates and Mr. Budacki will hold a Google meeting with our graduating class on Thursday, May 21 at 10:00 a.m. to go over these items and share some additional information with the senior class. Please remind your student to check his/her student email for the link to the meeting.

Sincerely,

Mr. Ryan L. Yates  
New Brighton Area High School Principal