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Dear LHS families,

I hope that this letter finds you all healthy and safe. We want to let you know that we have a solid plan to honor and celebrate the class of 2020. While it will be different from our annual commencement ceremony, we are doing our best to normalize the experience for our seniors. Graduates will be crossing our stage to receive their diploma and parents and family will be able to take pictures of this milestone event. Due to COVID-19, it is a closed event; only open to those graduates and their family members. It is important to note that our graduation will be live streamed on June 4th at 6pm for all to watch. We will have a full compilation of the graduation video to be released on social media, which will include speeches and issuance of diplomas, after it has been professionally edited. Check the school and district websites for the link to view graduation live and to view the whole video once it's been released.

The 2019-2020 school year will come to a close for all grades 9-11 on June 5th. The following week our staff will participate in professional development to:

- Discuss the logistics of distance learning and improve on the foundations that we built this spring.
- Develop a plan to address the needs and gaps of students in the fall.
- Participate in training on testing scores and reading levels to help determine the placement of our students.
- Bring closure with grades, classroom facilities and goals from this past year.

We will have a virtual Senior Awards' Assembly online on Monday, June 1 at 6PM. Links to the virtual awards ceremony will be posted on our district and school websites. Our end of year recognition for the underclassmen will be held when we return in the fall.

Wednesday, June 3, we will release a video announcing our Senior Scholarships and winners. We will mail out the scholarship details to the recipients.

End of year underclassmen dates to make note of:

- June 5 last day of school
- June 12 we're planning on sending out report cards and schedules to our underclassmen

Students who finished with incomplete grades, and wish to earn the credit, should use the summer to complete their work. Teachers will provide feedback and grade those assignments when we return to school in the fall.

Underclassmen who have textbooks, etc., we will be collecting those when we return to school in the fall. Underclassmen lockers will not be cleaned out until we return to school, as well. If there are families moving out of the district, call the school and we can arrange for you to drop off school books, laptop and other items or to clean out a locker.

Lastly, we know and understand that this spring has not been easy and it has been a learning curve for all of us. Beginning Monday, June 8th we will roll out our summer nutrition program and we will be utilizing the same food sites that we currently have. Families will be required to access the food at these sites and may take the food home with them. We look forward to seeing all students back in our hallways and we welcome the incoming class of 2024.

From our NEASC accreditation visit, to our students accomplishments academically, on the stage and the fields of play, we have many reasons to be proud of our community and our students and staff. We are confident that we have a strong foundation should distance learning need to continue in the future. We pledge to work hard, face obstacles head on, and provide our students with the best learning opportunities and education. Please make a strong finish to the school year and have a great summer!

Sincerely,

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