

LIMA CENTRAL CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

May 19, 2020

Dear Thunderbird Class of 2020, Parents, and Community Members,

We appreciate your patience, feedback and understanding as we have worked to prepare the very best experience and recognition for our students we can, given these challenging times. We have spent a great deal of time collaborating with students, family members, staff, the Diocese and the Allen County Health Department. Our graduation plan has been submitted and approved by the Health Department as required.

Thursday, June 11- Medal/Cord Pick Up

12:00-2:00pm-Any senior who has earned cords or medals, please drive up to the main entrance for pick-up. The guidance office staff will be available to provide your items. No need to enter the building!

Friday, June 12 - Baccalaureate and Senior Awards

10:00am-Virtual Baccalaureate Mass

Fr. Mike Sergi from St. Gerard will celebrate a special Mass to commemorate the Class of 2020. The Mass will be streamed live. Visit www.stgerardchurch.org and click on the webcam in the upper right hand corner.

10:45-11:30am-Break

Shortly after Mass is over, please enjoy time with your family to eat brunch, take a break and/or invite family and friends to watch the awards ceremony.

11:30am-Virtual Senior Awards Ceremony

Please join us as we recognize the academic, athletic, and service/leadership accomplishments of the Class of 2020. The video will be posted to the Lima Central Catholic YouTube, Facebook, Twitter and website livestream.

Sunday, June 14 - Commencement

12:00pm-Virtual/Pre-recorded Commencement Ceremony

Graduates, their families and friends are invited to watch a pre-recorded ceremony from the comfort of their own homes. Pre-recorded portions of the graduation ceremony include speeches, awards, blessings and other traditional components of the ceremony. The video will be posted to the Lima Central Catholic YouTube, Facebook, Twitter and website livestream by 12pm.

2:00pm "In-person" Graduation Ceremony

All graduates will receive their diplomas on an outdoor stage set up at the front entrance of LCC as their name is announced. Each graduate should be dressed in their cap (tassel on the right) and gown and wearing any honor cords or medals awarded. The graduate must arrive in one vehicle with members of their immediate family only. The schedule on page 3 will be followed for the arrival and conferral of diplomas.

The following portions of the plan have been approved by the Allen County Health Department. Your help to not deviate from the plan is imperative.

- *Every graduate is asked to come in one vehicle with members of their immediate household only.
- *Beginning at 1:45, students in Group #1 only will be permitted to enter the parking lot. Please enter the main parking lot at the traffic light. A school administrator will be present to help line cars up alphabetically. The parking lot will be roped off so no one can enter until 1:45.
- *As you can see from the map, each car will line up on the east side of the parking lot. One at a time, each graduate will be permitted to exit their vehicle and proceed to the main entrance (stage area) to receive their diploma. The student's vehicle will be allowed to pull in front of the stage south of the *no parking zone* (stop >>> on map). **Two individuals** from the graduate's vehicle will be permitted to exit the vehicle to witness their student receiving his/her diploma.
- *Photographer Michael Ayers will be present to take a professional photograph.
- *This portion of the ceremony will be streamed live via Facebook at www.facebook.com/Limacentralcatholic
- *After each student receives his/her diploma, he/she will turn their tassel from right to left and proceed across the stage, where a staff member will be behind the stage to hand certificates, plaques and other awards announced during the pre-recorded session.
- *The student's family members will get back into their vehicle and proceed southwest down the parking lot to the statue of Mary in front of the gym (marked STOP on the map) to meet their graduate. Each senior will be able to toss their hat, retrieve it and return to the vehicle immediately so the next student in line has the same opportunity to participate in this LCC tradition. Law enforcement will be present to ensure no one other than the graduate is present at the statue. **Family members should not exit their vehicle at the statue.**
- *The vehicle will then drive around to the back of the school and exit out of the north entrance.

Timeline

Arrive at 1:45 Diploma Conferral from 2:00-2:24 Group # 1 Last names Bach-Craig Arrive at 2:10 Diploma Conferral from 2:24-2:46 Group #2 Last names Evans-Johnson Arrive at 2:25 Diploma Conferral from 2:46-3:08 Group #3 Last names Kahle-Morrisey Arrive at 2:45 Diploma Conferral from 3:08-3:26 Group #4 Last names O'Connor-Ruble Arrive at 3:05 Diploma Conferral from 3:26-3:48 Group #5 Last names Santaguida-Truex Arrive at 3:20 Diploma Conferral from 3:48-4:04 Group #6 Last names Venturella-Zupan

If there are any updates between now and June 12, they will be communicated via email and social media. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me. Seniors, we are very proud of you all! We hope you and your family will enjoy these experiences and recognition. We also hope you will reflect on the great memories and opportunities you have enjoyed at LCC during your time as a student.

Blessings,

Mrs. Williams Principal/CEO '98

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