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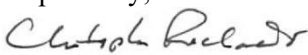
Dear Parents and Members of the Class of 2021,

The purpose of this letter is to outline our plans for commencement on Saturday, June 26. At this time, we are pleased to announce that the Class of 2021 will be able to graduate together in a single ceremony at 11:00 am. In order to comply with COVID safety protocols this year's graduation will look a little different when compared to past years as we comply with health and safety guidance provided by the department of health. Please review the following details carefully:

- All members of the Class of 2021 must attend graduation rehearsal on Friday, June 25 at 9:00 am. Students should report to the main gym for rehearsal. Please note that it is **mandatory** for graduates to attend.
- Each graduate will be permitted to bring (2) guests to commencement. As per the guidance available, guests will need to either provide evidence of a negative COVID test or vaccination to attend. If the guidance changes we will send an update via email.
- Social distancing will be required in order to make this event possible. As such, graduates will be seated with their family members under the tent.
- Parking on campus will be limited. On the day of graduation, we are asking that parents drop off graduates no later than 9:30 am. Members of the Class of 2021 will receive their caps/gowns and have an opportunity to take a graduation picture with our photographers. All pictures will be made available to families the week after commencement through student Google Drive accounts.
- Auxiliary parking will be available at Hampton Bays Middle School. A shuttle bus will be provided for families that park on the Ponquogue Avenue campus.
- Graduation will be livestreamed through the district's YouTube channel for friends and family that cannot attend.

We fully understand that this approach will bring challenges. Please know that we are committed to working with all high school families to make commencement a safe and memorable experience for everyone. If you have any questions or concern, I can be reached in the main office at (631) 723-2110 or via email at [crichardt@hbschools.us](mailto:crichardt@hbschools.us).

Respectfully,

  
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