Bristol Borough School District

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Dear Bristol Borough School Community,

The District would like to congratulate this year's **Valedictorian**, **Gianni Quattrocchi** and **Salutatorian**, **Jake Frey** on their dedication to academic success and achievement throughout their educational careers. We wish them much success in their future endeavors.

Below you will find our tentative graduation plan and some general announcements for the week of June 1 through June 5.

Graduation Celebrations:

Thank you to all of the seniors and their parents for your patience in allowing the district to develop a plan based on the latest and most up-to-date information. Although we are all deeply disappointed that our students will not participate in a traditional graduation ceremony due to the pandemic, we hope this plan will provide seniors with a memorable graduation experience.

Restrictions in yellow:

Schools located in counties or regions in the yellow phase are limited to gatherings of no more than 25 people and must follow Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and Department of Health guidance for social distancing.

Plan:

- Seniors officially graduate on June 9, 2020.
- Caps and gowns will be available June 2,3, and 4 between the hours of 8:15AM and
 2:15PM. Seniors <u>must fulfill all obligations</u> before they can receive their caps and gowns.
 Obligations included Chromebooks, textbooks, equipment and materials. Students may
 also owe financial obligations. Please call the high school if you have any questions
 about obligations.
- Virtual Remembrance
 - o All aspects of a normal graduation will be recorded and edited into a virtual remembrance of graduation.
 - Speeches and announcements will be recorded prior to graduation. Individual student walks to receive diplomas and parents receiving roses will also be recorded.

o The components will be placed in the video remembrance in the order they would appear in a normal graduation ceremony. Although the components will be recorded individually, the final video will include all graduates.

• Graduation Walk

- o Graduating seniors will have the opportunity to "walk" in graduation in the gym at Bristol Borough High School.
- o Seniors will be scheduled over a three-day period from June 9 through June 11 to enter the gym area of the building with their family members.
- Students will sign up for a 15 minute time slot using the Sign Up Genius application. A link will be provided to seniors in an email. Slots are on a first come first serve basis between the hours of 12:00PM and 5:00PM.
 Seniors and family members must have masks to enter the building and adhere to the Center for Disease Control (CDC) and Department of Health (DOH) guidelines.

Seniors can bring up to <u>five</u> family members.

Each ceremonial walk will be recorded and put together for a virtual remembrance of graduation.

- Speeches, Awards and Honors:
 - o Speeches, awards and honors will also be recorded for the virtual remembrance.

Dress Code

- Dress code for males: collared shirt and tie, dress pants and dress shoes (no sneakers/jeans)
- o Dress code for females: dresses and dress shoes (no sneakers)

Parade

- o There will be a parade on Friday, June 12th to honor the seniors. The time of the parade will be coordinated with Chief Henry and the Borough.
- o One car per graduate, decorated appropriately.

• Parade Route:

- o Graduates in their vehicle meet at Calvary Church on Green Lane to line up. Occupants must stay in their vehicles, Police will assemble.
- Parade will travel west on Green and making a left onto Wilson. The parade will pass the High School.
- Parade continues on Wilson to Pond and Pond to Mill Street
- Parade turns left onto Mill Street. Business community will be asked to participate.
- Parade turns left onto Radcliffe.
- Parade continues on Radcliffe passing Cesares restaurant.
- Parade continues on Radcliffe passing the Seabird Development and Bristol Moose club.
- Parade ends. No parking of vehicles or congregating will be permitted at the end of the parade.

Parade Security

• Parade will require approximately ten traffic posts and some additional coordination of traffic control which will be organized by the Police.

- Senior Picnic
 - A senior picnic will be scheduled in the summer or fall so seniors can gather to celebrate. The picnic will be scheduled once Bucks County is in the GREEN phase of the governor's plan for reopening the state.

Additional Announcements:

- Next week is the final week of regular classes for students. Thanks to the entire Bristol Borough school community for their tireless efforts in supporting our students.
- Underclassmen students may keep their school issued Chromebooks over the summer. Parents only need to return Chromebooks if their Child(ren) are leaving the Bristol Borough School District in the 2020-2021 school year.
- Students must return all textbooks and school owned equipment (besides Chromebooks) next week. Offices will be open daily from 8:00AM until 2:30PM.
- Student's personal items are available for pick up. Please call the school to arrange for a pick up time. Unclaimed items will be discarded.
- There is a registration survey on our website for parents of 2020-2021 kindergarten students. This survey will help the District to assess our potential numbers for next year. I addition, parents can use the survey to request registration materials via email. Please Click here to fill out the survey.
 - o Completed registration packets can be dropped off at the Administration Building Monday Thursday between 8:00AM and 12:00PM. Please call Angela Reilly at 215-781-1000 Ext.1014 if you need further guidance.
- New elementary curriculum packets for May 26 June 5, 2020, are now available.
 - O You may pick up a packet between 9:30AM and 1:00PM. If you have internet access, you do not necessarily need to pick up a hard copy of the packet for your elementary students. The information covered in the packet is the same information available on the teachers' Google Classrooms and on our website.
 - o If you need a packet of information for a middle or high school student, please call the school so we can make the proper arrangements.
- Breakfast/lunch meal distribution next week will be on Monday, Wednesday and Friday between 11:00AM and 1:00PM. All Bristol Borough children are welcome to participate.

Have a wonderful weekend!

Respectfully,

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