Bristol Borough School District

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Dear Bristol Borough School Community,

Although this is not the ending that we anticipated back in September, we applaud our students, parents, administration, faculty and staff on their efforts to make the last quarter of the school year a success under very unforeseen and trying conditions.

The administration will be spending the summer months preparing the buildings and technology for the 2020-2021 school year. The upcoming school year will have challenges, but I am confident that we will develop a plan that will both meet the needs of our learners and support their overall health and wellbeing. Please check our website over the summer for updates on our plans for the 2020-2021 school year.

As described below, the District will be spending the last week of school celebrating the accomplishments of our seniors. We ask all members of the Bristol Borough community to come out on Friday, June 12, at 3:00PM to cheer on our seniors in their car parade. The parade route is described below. We look forward to seeing you Friday!

Below you will find our tentative graduation plan and some general announcements for the week of June 8.

Graduation Celebrations:

- Seniors officially graduate on June 9, 2020.
- 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
 - 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 at 3:00PM to honor the seniors. 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:

- 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.
- 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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