



Lake Washington School District

Eastlake High School

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Cheers to the Class of 2020. Lights on for YOU! WSPS

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Dear Students and Families in the Class of 2020:

Unfortunately, Eastlake will not be able to host the modified "Tunnel of Tears" at 1:00PM on June 12, nor the Family Pictures at Eastlake on June 16-19. All along these celebrations depended on Phase 2 of the reopening unfolding as planned. Although the stay-at-home order has been lifted, King County is still limited to essential services only.

Education is considered an essential service according to Washington State. The LWSD has determined that 'graduation' is an essential part of what we do as an organization. However, we are still obligated to follow the intent of the state guidelines that allow people to perform essential services but do not allow them to gather in large groups. Therefore, we cannot allow staff to congregate at Eastlake – even with social distancing.

Some staff will need to be present to organize, guide and assist with Senior Photos and Check-Out. They will continue to follow all social distancing protocols. These people are assisting us in our essential services.

We all have a responsibility to do our part to minimize exposure and the spread of Covid19. We understand the strong desire from both students and staff to say good-bye in-person but allowing for the entire staff to be present risks someone contracting or spreading this virus.

To remedy this loss in a small way, we will allow two family members to accompany their senior for a family photograph as well during their designated time-slot of Senior Photos and Check-Out. You will receive a professional senior and family photograph free of charge.

Next year, assuming state guidelines will allow for a large event, we will also have the first ever one-year reunion for the Eastlake Class of 2020, so we can finally celebrate

them in-person.

Dr. Chris Bede, Principal Eastlake High School

Virtual Graduation - Monday June 15th

We will have a virtual graduation released on Monday, June 15 at 5 PM. People can watch the video afterwards but cannot fast-forward. That allows all seniors to turn their tassel and graduate at the same time. We have now hired HotSpark Media, two former Eastlake graduates (Eli and Ben), to produce the graduation video.



The video will follow Eastlake's traditional Graduation program with student and staff speakers, student performances and the ceremonial turning of the tassel. We're sure Ben and Eli will add their own creative flare to it as well!

[Link for the Virtual Graduation](#)

Please be advised that once the end of year production is provided by the District to families in the school community, it will not be able to control how this production is shared over social media in the future. Please do not send in any photos, videos or student information into the school if you do not want these materials to be included in the end of year productions and shared with the school community by the District.

Senior Photos and Check-Out - June 9th, 10th & 11th - IMPORTANT!!!

In preparation for this graduation video, we will provide an opportunity for seniors to receive a studio quality portrait that we will include in the virtual graduation. For this picture **students will wear their caps and gowns** and hold a diploma cover which we will provide.

If seniors do not show for their picture, they can submit a picture themselves to hotsparkmedia@gmail.com no later than Friday, June 12 at 4 PM. If seniors do not do either, we will put their Yearbook photo in the video. We would like to photograph each senior for the slideshow. Please contact dbreynaert@lwsd.org if transportation or logistics are an issue for any of these in-person opportunities. Obviously both senior photos and personal submissions need to be school appropriate.

We will allow up to two family members to accompany their senior for a family photograph as well. We will then provide digital copies of these graduation photos to families free of charge.

These pictures will coincide with senior check-out. Seniors need to bring their laptops, chargers, textbooks, library books, classroom calculators, band uniforms (see message below) and sports uniforms at the same time.

The last day for teachers to assign work for seniors was Monday, June 1 and it will be due Monday, June 8. Senior turn in dates and times are below. If needed, seniors will have until June 19 to turn in missing assignments and will be able to turn in their curricular material on that day as well.

In order to collect all materials in a safe manner that aligns with social distancing protocols we will need to divide it up by last name and spread it over three days.

Students will park in a line and wait in their car until the first station opens. We will only have five students out of their car at a time. Students are required to wear masks during this time.

1.Waiting Station 1 - Flagpole

2.Waiting Station 2 – Outside Front Doors (masks available)

3. Drop-Off Station 3 - Commons

- Computer
- Charger
- Textbooks
- Classroom Calculators
- Library Books
- Sports Uniforms

4. Pick-Up and Picture Station 4 - Theater

- Chords
- Diploma Cover
- Take Picture - in cap and gown!

5. Pick-Up Station 5 - Gym

- Locker(s) Contents - Eastlake staff will clear lockers and deliver the contents to students in a bag.
- Yearbook pickup

Students will receive an email for items not returned and outstanding fines. Diplomas will not be received until those items are resolved. All fines are paid [online](#). If families cannot pay online, please contact kquinasso@lwsd.org.

It's important that your students adhere to their designated time slot so we can be safe and avoid long lines!

June 9th

A – BO: 9:00 -10:15
BR – CON: 10:45 – 12:00
COO- FAR: 1:00 – 2:15
FEN- HEI 2:45 -4:00

June 10th

HER – KA: 9:00-10:15
KE – LI: 10:45 – 12:00
LO – MO: 1:00 – 2:15
MU – PHA: 2:45 – 4:00

June 11th

PHI – RY: 9:00 – 10:15
SA – ST: 10:45- 12:00
SU – VU: 1:00-2:15
WA – Z: 2:45 – 4:00

Senior Marching Band Uniform/Music Turn In:

If you still have your marching band uniform at home please return it during your designated time. Bring your complete and zipped up uniform into the Commons and hang it on the rack. Please contact Band Booster [Kelley Kwoka](#) if you have questions.

Please return all music as well. Put your music folder with any music you have from our March and June concerts into the appropriate collection box. Make sure you take any personal items out of your folders before you return it. If you no longer have your paper folder, please paperclip your music together and label it with your name, so that I can check you off. Wind Ensemble members **MUST** return their folder.

Senior Events:

Senior Spring Sports Tribute - May 29 - 78 Eastlake Spring Senior Athletes were celebrated in this [tribute video](#).

Destination Day - June 1 - Eastlake held an virtual Destination Day celebration on June 1. Destination Day celebrates your plans after high school, whether that destination is college, technical school, the military, an apprenticeship, a gap year, a service project or a job. In case you missed it here is the [video celebration](#).

Senior Awards - June 8 - Will be announced on June 8 via email, social media, EHS website and in the Wolves Weekly Update (June 12 edition).

Moving Up Assembly - June 12 - Eastlake Leadership students and ASB will host the Moving Up Assembly on June 12, complete with all the traditions, albeit in a different format. We will release the Moving Up Video via social media at 10 AM on June 12.

PTSA Senior Slide Show – June 13 - The PTSA will be creating a slideshow to honor the 2020 senior class. A link to the slideshow will be sent to senior families on June 13th. If you have any questions, please contact Tammi Johnson and Natalie Naehrig at seniorphotos@ehsptsa.org.

Graduation - June 15th at 5PM - Virtual graduation ceremony will be released at 5PM. Link [here](#).

Links:

[Eastlake website - Seniors Class of 2020](#)

[Senior Edition of the Wolves Weekly Update from May 22](#)

[Senior Edition of the Wolves Weekly Update from May 29th](#)

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