

Dear Parents and Families,

Included in this letter are a few notes about senior-related items. In the coming week, we'll be posting new information on the Class of 2020 Google Classroom page AND on the school's website on the Class of 2020 page - <https://parkwaycc.philasd.org/class-of-2020/> . Thanks for your support during these uncertain times!

1. Virtual Graduations

1. The School District Celebration will occur on Tuesday, 6/9, at 11 AM. The district's latest update on their ceremony can be found here: https://parkwaycc.philasd.org/wp-content/uploads/sites/570/2020/05/LTR-Virtual-Grad-Update-5_20.pdf

2. Our graduation ceremony will occur on Wednesday, 6/10, at 7 pm. Since we do not have the technological capacity to do it live, we will be sharing a pre-recorded ceremony to be streamed on YOUTUBE. When the recording is completed, I will share the link on the school's website (<https://parkwaycc.philasd.org/class-of-2020/>) and the Class of 2020 Google Classroom page.

2. Senior Dues

1. Thank you to the parents and families that have paid their senior dues in full well ahead of time. It was a tremendous help to us!

2. Each senior must pay \$90 for senior dues. Those dues will be used for: the yearbook, the diploma cover, certificates and recognitions, and shipping and handling charges.

3. If you already paid over \$90, your refund check was sent out last week. Look for the refund check to arrive this week.

4. If you haven't paid \$90, or have only paid some of it, email Ms. Nguyen, Lbnguyen@philasd.org. We cannot send you your final documents without full payment of your dues.

3. Caps and Gowns

1. You can buy your caps, gowns, and tassels in Parkway colors here. Shipping times vary, so they may not arrive by June 9th.

<https://www.graduationsource.com/graduation-portals/parkway-center-city-middle-college-149812.html>

4. Scholarships, Final Transcripts, Senior Surveys

1. Please email Counselor Ludlow, mmludlow@philasd.org, if you have received a private scholarship. Let her know which one, how much it is for, and any other details.

2. Final transcripts will NOT be mailed home. Next week, we'll put out a survey on the Class of 2020 Google Classroom page to ask what institutions/schools you want transcripts to be forwarded. Without full payment of dues, we cannot forward your transcript. All colleges and universities require a final high school transcript as proof that the student has graduated and enrollment/financial aid can be affected if they do not receive your final transcript.

3. If students haven't taken their final district survey, please take it ASAP. Directions are below:

To access the Senior Exit Survey:

1. Log in to SDP Student Portal/Infinite Campus
2. Scroll down to Messages
3. On Student Launchpad Screen, Select "Survey" among list of icons
4. Senior Exit Survey: The "Senior Exit Survey" link will redirect you to Survey Monkey to complete the Senior Exit Survey

5. Star Spangled Banner Montage

1. Take a picture/video at work, tutoring your younger sibling, helping a family member in need, or just being strong in the face of adversity AND attach it on the Class of 2020 page under the Class Work section labeled, "Tribute to Parkway Class of 2020..." Your picture and video WILL BE INCLUDED IN A MONTAGE DURING GRADUATION! Upload your content by Friday, June 5th! Let me know if you have any questions >>> abuxbaum@philasd.org.

6. Graduation Celebration Video

1. I'm asking for a 5-10 second video to be played during virtual graduation for each member of the class of 2020! I want to let every single one of our 115 graduates get a little personal shine. Get dressed up nice and record yourself celebrating your special moment! You can record a video of you on your own OR include your family members who you're quarantining with in the clip! Have fun. Be creative. Upload those SHORT videos on the Google Classroom page under the tab "Graduation Celebration Video" by Friday, June 5th.

7. Overall

Thank you for being understanding. Obviously, we all would have preferred an in-person graduation. But due to the pandemic, and ensuing guidelines provided to us by our elected officials and district administrators, we're trying to make the best out of a difficult situation. Truly, we are doing the best that we can during these strange times. Thank you again for your support.

Sincerely,

Mr. Alex
Ms. Ludlow

Questions? Send them my way! abuxbaum@philasd.org