

June 3, 2021

Dear Parents and Guardians:

**PLEASE PLAN AHEAD FOR THE HEAT! DRINK PLENTY OF WATER IN ADVANCE!**

Graduation will be broadcast live on Hastings Community TV Facebook. I encourage those not able to attend or sensitive to the heat to watch it live.

The **2021 Commencement of the 151<sup>st</sup> Graduating Class of Hastings High School** will be on Friday, June 4, 2021 at 7 p.m. at Todd Field and is open to the public for attendance - no tickets are required. Masks are not required to be worn, however we respect the choice of students and guests to wear them. Graduation programs were included in the senior graduation bin. Here is a link to the [Graduation Program](#) .

**Gates will open at 5:30 p.m.** Each year, we are asked if families may put down blankets during the day to “reserve” their seating. To be honest - this creates hard feelings between families. Some people move the blankets. Others are upset that they arrived at 5:30 p.m. to get their seats and see people show up at the start of graduation at 7:00 p.m. expecting to sit in “their” seats. Please show respect for each other.

**Graduation Line-Up at Our Saviour’s Lutheran Church - Friday, June 4 at 6:20 p.m.**

Seniors will wear their cap, gown and tassel and meet in the west parking lot of Our Saviour’s Lutheran Church. For footwear on the turf field, everyone is strongly encouraged to wear flat-soled shoes or wedges - no high heels. Students may tastefully decorate the top of their caps to reflect future plans, “thank you” to family members, personal cultural significance and the like. All students will wear the school-provided cap and gown – the only additions are the National Honor Society and AVID stoles and the Global Languages Honor Society, Youth in Government and Top 10 Percent honor cords.

**Graduation Seating Chart** Please click on the following link to review the seating chart prior to lining up for graduation. Also - note that on the spreadsheet you may need to slide the document to the right to see the entire seating chart. [Graduation Seating Chart](#)

**Senior Party Reminders** Here are final reminders for the Senior Party to be held immediately after graduation on June 4. Thank you parents for providing this awesome experience for our seniors! [All Night Grad Party Update](#)

We are looking forward to Graduation of the Class of 2021! On behalf of the entire HHS staff - WE ARE PROUD OF OUR SENIORS!! Congratulations!

Mike Johnson - HHS Principal