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the Deaf & the Blind**

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Hello FSDB Classes of 2021 and their families,

I am pleased to announce that our 107th Commencement Ceremonies will be held in Kirk Auditorium at FSDB. I want to share important dates for you to remember:

- Thursday, June 3rd at 11:00 am is the Blind High School Class of 2021 graduation.
- Friday, June 4th at 11:00 am is the Deaf High School Class of 2021 graduation.
- Wednesday, June 2nd will be graduation rehearsals for seniors wearing their caps and gowns as well as having photos taken.

Both ceremonies will be viewable via live stream at www.fsdbk12.org/graduation and since they will also be recorded, you will be able to watch these later.

With ongoing health and safety challenges because of the COVID-19 pandemic, the FSDB administration has decided to exercise caution in honoring this year's graduates and celebrating their achievements. Our decision to hold in-person ceremonies with assigned seating will be monitored on a daily basis. Should a change of plans become necessary, we will promptly notify graduates and their families.

Now I want to share with you updated information. Each graduate will now be able to bring up to four guests to their commencement ceremony! Families will register online using Eventbrite to reserve their tickets. The registration link will be sent to each graduate's family via email.

- Registration opens: Saturday, May 1st at 8:00 am
- Registration closes: Friday, May 28th at 4:00 pm

Reserved seating for both commencement ceremonies will be assigned in clusters of four on a first come, first serve basis. Graduates and their ticketed guests are expected to follow COVID-19 guidelines such as physical distancing, wearing a mask or cloth face covering and - equally as important - staying at home if experiencing fever, cough or related symptoms. We are grateful to our graduates and their families for their patience as we navigate the challenges presented by the pandemic. We are also so proud of our graduating students and their perseverance this year.

I would like to mention one more thing. This year's graduates will be able to decorate their caps if they wish to do so. I look forward to seeing creative and inspirational designs. More information and details about cap decoration will be shared with graduates by the senior class sponsors.

Congratulations to the FSDB Classes of 2021! We look forward to celebrating you along with your families and friends!

Sincerely,

Tracie C. Snow
President