

Class of 2020 Commencement Ceremony

Commencement is a formal ceremony that is part of the high school tradition. Penn Manor High School is committed to providing an opportunity for the community, school board, faculty, family, friends and members of the Class of 2020 to share in this milestone.

Starting Wednesday, May 13, the ceremonial walking across the stage and receiving a diploma will be simulated for our seniors. We are inviting seniors to be filmed walking across a stage at Comet Field, wearing their cap and gown, and receiving their diploma cover.

Since this is a monumental moment in the ceremony, immediate family members are invited to be present to witness this event. After the filming of each senior walk across the stage, a side stage will be available for immediate family members to meet with their graduate to have a small celebration recorded. This footage will be included in a post ceremony celebration.

The video footage of the awarding of the diplomas will be incorporated with footage of other parts of the ceremony to create a full commencement ceremony. The final production of the Class of 2020 commencement ceremony will be posted on the district website the evening of May 28 for public viewing.

If you have any questions about the information listed below, please contact Penn Manor High School at 717-872-9520 ext 1808 or email Mr. Jones at baron.jones@pennmanor.net

Safety precautions

- If you or one of your family members is experiencing any of the following symptoms, please do not attend the commencement recording session:
 - Fever, cough, shortness of breath or other COVID-19 related symptoms
 - Have had close contact with another person with confirmed COVID-19 symptoms
- As seniors line up, they must be six feet apart and wear a mask.
- When seniors move to the stage, they may remove the mask
- We need to limit the number of people who attend with the graduate to four immediate family members only.
- Please stay in the vehicle until directed to the line up and stage areas.
- Time for seniors and their families will be limited to one minute on each of the two stages.
- Please exercise social distancing at all times.
- **Please Arrive 15 minutes prior to your film time.**
- **Place Student's Name, Film Time and Order # on a paper in the window of your vehicle**

Filming seniors walking across the stage

The list below indicates the date on which seniors are asked to come to have their involvement of the virtual commencement ceremony filmed. Specific appointment times are included in this packet.

- Wednesday, May 13 Last names Abbas - Gerlach
- Thursday, May 14 Last names Gibson - Pabon Quinones
- Friday, May 15 Last names Paitsel - Zimmerman

Entering Comet Field

- Vehicles should enter Comet Field from Comet Drive and Wabank Road.
- Proceed through the lots towards the Field House
- Park in the designated area (A,B,C,D) in the upper lot to the left of the Field House.
- Areas are assigned by appointment time.
- Anyone arriving more than 15 minutes prior to their appointment should park and wait in the Pre Appointment Lot adjacent to the turf field.
- Seniors should make final adjustments to their cap and gown as they wait in or by their vehicle.
- Seniors must be appropriately dressed to participate in commencement. Please refer to the directions found in the cap and gown package.
- Students and immediate family members should remain in the designated parking area until directed by administration to walk to the lineup area.

Arrival times and parking

Please refer to the enclosed Comet Field map and senior appointment times.

- Parking Area - A is reserved for students with film times of 10:00, 11:00, 12:00, 1:00 and 2:00
- Parking Area - B is reserved for students with film times of 10:15, 11:15, 12:15, 1:15, 2:15
- Parking Area - C is reserved for students with film times of 10:30, 11:30, 12:30, 1:30, 2:30
- Parking Area - D is reserved for students with film times of 10:45, 11:45, 12:45, 1:45

Please remember your Film Time and Order Number when exiting the vehicle

Line up area and stage time

- Seniors and their immediate families will be directed to the line up area.
- Seniors will be placed in the order in which they will be filmed.
- Seniors will be called to the main stage to have their names read as they walk across the stage.
- After picking up their diploma cover, seniors will exit the stage and move to the side stage area for photo/video opportunities with their immediate family members.

Exiting the stage and Comet Field

- To assist in social distancing precautions, seniors and their families are asked to return to their vehicles and depart from Comet Field after leaving the side stage area.

Additional information

- Seniors who were provided cords, stoles, or honorary victory hoods should place these items in the box provided after leaving the side stage area.
- Information concerning yearbook and diploma pick up or delivery will be sent at a later date. Please continue to check your email.