

We are excited to announce the plans for the Cedar Valley High School 2020 Senior Graduation.

Each senior will arrive in their Crimson Cap & Gown during their allotted time slot between May 12th - 15th, in preparation to walk across the stage in the Cedar Valley Aviator Auditorium to hear their name announced as they receive their diploma from Principal Courtney Johnson. The individual videos will be edited into the virtual commencement ceremony that they will be able to watch from their homes on the original graduation date, Thursday, May 28th at 6:30 pm which will premiere on the CVHS YouTube channel.

The graduation program will follow the previously scheduled outline, including the National Anthem, music, speakers from the senior class and senior officers, presentation of graduates, the year in review video, and the tradition of moving their tassels signifying the class has officially graduated.

The seniors will also have the opportunity to have their picture taken in front of the new fuselage that was donated by JetBlue and painted by Duncan Aviation. Photos will be available to download at a later date. As they depart the auditorium into the lobby we will have "ACE" the Kestrel and Aviator backdrop where selfies can be taken before they exit the school. Stoles will be returned on their way out.

There will be a few modifications as the Caps & Gowns will be distributed earlier than normal May 4th-6th in a "Grab and Go" fashion. The Cap & Gown packets (that were previously ordered through Josten's) will include complimentary honor cords and any CTE medals the senior has earned. The graduation stole will also be included.

We want to congratulate the Senior Class of 2020 for all of their accomplishments! We know that this graduation will be the only one of its kind at Cedar Valley High School and one that will be remembered for years to come. You are incredible individuals who have overcome large obstacles and are showing the world your resilience and courage during these challenging times. We look forward to celebrating you as you were, "Born of Thunder," and have been "Forged by Flight"!

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Note: This will all occur while following the CDC Social Distancing Guidelines of 6 feet apart. Upon arrival at the high school, the students will check in at the front entrance of the roundabout that will be clearly marked. They will be assigned a numbered parking stall, every other stall to wait until they are called to the "on deck/queue" spot, which will be at the northwest door to enter the auditorium hallway. They will be directed into the north auditorium doors and proceed on to the stage. There will be a designated area for parents/guardians to view their graduate walking across the stage. Only the parents/legal guardians (up to 4 adults only) will accompany

their senior. Seniors and parents, you will be receiving additional emails at a later date with more detailed information.

Additional events will include a week-long city celebration of our seniors, and during 2020-2021 Homecoming week we will recognize our seniors and provide time for them to gather, celebrate, and sign yearbooks. (Dates and details will be provided as soon as they are available).

#### Graduation Timeline:

April 27<sup>th</sup> Aviator Scholar Medalist and Honor Cords List posted.

May 4<sup>th</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> Cap & Gown Packets distributed from 9:00 am - 11:30 am in front of the auditorium parking lot. Like the “Grab and Go Meal pick up. Everyone will stay in their car and drive through the designated area to pick up their packet.

May 8<sup>th</sup> – Video recording of speeches with Administration, Board Member, Student Council Officers, and Senior Speeches. This will be in the Auditorium with assigned times.

May 12<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup> – Recording/Video of graduates name being read and receiving their diploma. (Graduates will sign up for a 5-minute time slot between the hours of 8 am - 4 pm through Sign up Genius). If a senior does not attend during the assigned days, we will use their school picture and have their name below the picture. There will be no make-up days.

May 28<sup>th</sup> Graduation Ceremony Video will premiere on the CVHS YouTube channel at 6:30 pm. District-wide firework show following the ceremony. Time to be announced. Commencement Programs & Diplomas will be mailed home the first week of June once all graduation requirements have been met.