Update from Mr. Twitchell 5/1/2020



- **1. School Access**--Students may come into the school on scheduled times to pick up things or return things. These are scheduled through teachers, coaches, or by invitation (like picking up caps and gowns). Westlake is taking precautions to make sure students are 6 feet apart from other students. See the attachment below for more details.
- **2.** Cap & Gown Pick Up--Cap & Gown Pick Up is next week! We have divided the seniors according to alphabet and spaced the pick-up times so the students can stay 6 feet apart. Our distribution of caps and gowns will happen over a 3-day period of time, so please make sure your senior arrives at the school during his/her designated date and time. If you still need to purchase cap, gown and/or tassel, please plan to do so at your scheduled time listed below. See the attachment for more details.
 - 5/6/20 Cap and Gown pick up, including Cords (purchased) and Stoles
 - o A-Ce (Senior last name) from 8:30-10:30
 - o Ch-Go (Senior last name) from 10:30-12:30
 - o Gr-Ke. (Senior last name) from 12:30-2:30
 - 5/7/20 Cap and Gown pick up, including Cords (purchased) and Stoles
 - o Ki-N (Senior last name) from 8:30-10:30
 - 5/8/20 Cap and Gown pick up, including Cords (purchased) and Stoles
 - o O-Sh (Senior last name) from 8:30-10:30
 - o Si-Z (Senior last name) from 10:30-12:30
- **3. Graduation Pictures and Diploma Handout for Virtual Graduation**--Seniors will receive information concerning graduation video pictures and diploma handout when they comes to pick up their cap and gown. This will include the specific date and time where they will have the opportunity to have their picture taken in front of the giant 10' hammer and lighted "W". If you do not want your student to be at the school for graduation video pictures and diploma handout, then we will put their yearbook picture in the virtual graduation video so they can still be recognized. See the attachment for more information.
- **4. Virtual Graduation-**The graduation video will be aired on May 28th at 6:30 p.m. Mountain Time. Here is the link to access Westlake's virtual graduation: https://www.thundervision.org/westlake-virtual-graduation.
- **5. May Calendar of activities**--See the attachment below. It is really long, but it will help answer many questions that you have. Please also check Westlake's <u>WEBSITE</u> and <u>FACEBOOK</u> page for additional information.
- **6. Try-outs:** The following try-outs have been scheduled:
 - 5/6 Dance Company
 - 5/9 Drill Team
 - 5/15 Cheer
 - 5/16 Ballroom
 - Please check the website for details
- **7.** Camps and Coaches meeting with Players--As of today, there is still no direction regarding holding camps. If we are still under "orange", then we could be precluded from holding camps.

Coaches should not be doing any of the following:

- Meeting with kids in person
- Leaving equipment out (starting blocks, pitching machines, blocking dummies, etc.) for use by students.

• Sanctioning team gatherings

Coaches are allowed to provide on-line direction regarding skill development, conditioning, playbook review, etc. (as long as it is on-line). UHSAA has not granted anything beyond this.

- **8. Yearbooks--**Yearbooks are available for sale **ONLINE** through May 12th @ 3pm, while supplies last.
- **9. AP Testing--**Advanced Placement created a short video, specifically for Utah, with information about AP updates, deadlines and testing information (for Early College Coordinators, teachers, students and parents). See our <u>WEBSITE</u> to view the video.

Thank you,

Gary Twitchell Principal, Westlake High School



4/27/20

- -Thunder Scholar (top 10%) Letters Mailed to Recipients and Lists Posted on our Website
- -Honor Cord Letter Mailed to Recipients and Lists Posted on our Website
- -Virtual Spirit Bowl for all Westlake students—See the Westlake Instagram account (@_westlakehigh).

4/30/20

- -Sports Equipment & Uniforms Due
 - Coaches and advisors will be contacting participants to return all equipment and uniforms
 - Fines will be assessed for items not returned

5/1/20

- -Locker Clean-Out—Regular School Lockers (hallways)
 - Items in lockers will be bagged and tagged with locker number and student names (whomever the locker was checked out to)
 - If there is damage to the locker, fines will be assessed at this time
 - Items belonging to Westlake will be taken and checked in through our system
 - Bags can be picked up between 5/19 5/22
- -Letters to dignitaries mailed

5/4/20

- -Grad Speeches Audition Deadline
 - Email Ms. Blakesley for more information lblakesley@alpinedistrict.org
- -Lunch/Breakfast Pick up 11a-12:30p
- -Drill Team drive through banquet 7pm

5/5/20

- -Graduation Speakers Announced
- -Thunder Scholar Appeals (top 10% deadline 3pm)
- -Last day to pre-purchase honor cords (3pm)
- -Last day for PE Locker Clean Out
 - PE teachers will be contacting students to assign a day and time for picking items up from PE lockers

	-Graduation Program sent to Printer
5/6/20	 -Cap & Gown Pick Up, Including Cords (purchased) and Stoles A-Ce (senior last name) from 8:30am-10:30am Ch-Go (senior last name) from 10:30am-12:30pm Gr-Ke (senior last name) from 12:30pm-2:30pm See below for more information -Dance Company Tryouts 9am-3pm in 1 auxiliary gym and dance studio
5/7/20	 -Cap & Gown Pick Up, Including Cords (purchased) and Stoles Ki-N (senior last name) from 8:30am-10:30am See below for more information -Lunch/Breakfast Pick up 11a-12:30p
5/8/20	 Cap & Gown Pick Up, Including Cords (purchased) and Stoles O-Sh (senior last name) from 8:30am-10:30am Si-Z (senior last name) from 10:30am-12:30pm See below for more information -Cheer drive through banquet 6pm
5/9/20	-Drill Team Tryouts 9:30am - 3pm in both auxiliary gyms
5/11/20	-AP TestPhysics C: Mechanics 10am -AP TestPhysics C: Electricity and Magnetism 12pm -AP TestUnited States Government and Politics 2pm -Lunch/Breakfast Pick up 11a-12:30p
5/12/20	-Last Day for New Instruction Given by Teachers -AP TestCalculus AB & Calculus BC 12pm -AP TestHuman Geography 2pm -Senior Evening of Excellence Pictures and Awards 4pm-9pm • See below for more information -Last day to Purchase a Yearbook Online (\$80) -Yearbooks Delivered to Westlakewe hope!!
5/13/20	-Grad Video Pictures and Diploma Handout 8am-3pm • See below for more information -AP TestPhysics 2: Algebra-Based 10am -AP TestEnglish Literature and Composition 12pm -Last day for students to have items turned into teachers (textbooks, library books, calculators) -Yearbook Handout (Seniors Only) • Must have pre-purchased -Senior Drive in Movie Night @ Water Gardens 8:30pm
5/14/20	-Grad Video Pictures and Diploma Handout 8am-3pm • See below for more information -AP TestSpanish Literature and Culture 10am -AP TestChemistry 12pm -AP TestPhysics 1: Algebra-Based 2pm -Lunch/Breakfast Pick-Up 11a-12p -Yearbook Handout (Seniors Only) • Must have pre-purchased

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-Senior Drive in Movie Night @ Water Gardens 8:30pm

- 5/15/20 -Grad Video Pictures and Diploma Handout 8am-3pm • See below for more information -AP Test--Art History 10am -AP Test--United States History 12pm -AP Test--Computer Science A 2pm -CTE Awards Night- Link is live at 7pm CTE medals/pins will be delivered to CTE recipients during the day -Eastshore Recommended Deadline -Yearbook Handout (Seniors Only) Must have pre-purchased -Cheer Tryouts 9am-6pm in both auxiliary gyms 5/16/20 -Ballroom Tryouts 8am-4pm in 1 auxiliary gym and dance studio 5/18/20 -Grad Video Pictures and Diploma Handout 8am-3pm See below for more information -AP Test--Chinese Language and Culture 10am -AP Test--Biology 12pm -AP Test--Environmental Science 2pm -Lunch/Breakfast Pick-Up 11a-12:30p 5/19/20 -Return of ALL Westlake Items Chromebooks, textbooks, library books, calculators, etc. so fines will not be assessed -All Assignments Due for Students -AP Test--Music Theory 10am -AP Test--Psychology 12pm -Voice Record of Names 10am (O'Connor) -Locker Items Pick Up (Regular School Lockers) -Yearbook Handout (10 & 11 grades only) Must have pre-purchased -Fine Arts & Debate Gala Link is live at 5pm • Thunder Night Lights 8pm 5/20/20 -Return of ALL Westlake Items Chromebooks, textbooks, library books, calculators, etc. so fines will not be assessed -AP Test--English Language and Composition 12pm -Locker Item Pick Up (Regular School Lockers) -Yearbook Handout (10 & 11 grades only) Must have pre-purchased -Printed Graduation Programs Delivered to Westlake 5/21/20 -Return of ALL Westlake Items Chromebooks, textbooks, library books, calculators, etc. so fines will not be assessed -All teacher grades updated in Skyward -Graduation Program Run Through 10am in auditorium -AP Test--World History: Modern 12pm
 - Must have pre-purchased
 -Eastshore Firm Deadline for all coursework submissions and resubmissions by 5pm
 -Lunch/Breakfast Pick up 11a-12:30p

-Locker Items Pick Up (Regular School Lockers)
-Yearbook Handout (10 & 11 grades only)

5/22/20 -Return of ALL Westlake Items

- Chromebooks, textbooks, library books, calculators, etc. so fines will not be assessed
- -Students can declare if they want a P instead of a letter grade in any class. Must be done by 9pm
- -AP Test--Comparative Government and Politics 10am
- -AP Test--Statistics 12pm
- -AP Test--Spanish Language and Culture 2pm
- -Graduation Program Recorded 10am in auditorium
- -Locker Items Picked Up (Regular School Lockers)
- -Students turn in any other Westlake items so fines will not be assessed
- -Yearbook Handout (10 & 11 grades only)
 - Must have pre-purchased
- -Senior Dinner Dance—Quarantine Style 6:30pm
 - See below for more information
- -Last Day for Eastshore Testing 7:30am 4pm
- 5/25/20 -Memorial Day—SCHOOL CLOSED
- 5/26/20 -LAST DAY for returning/picking up items and buying a yearbook (if available)
- 5/27/20 -Teachers can override letter grade to a P in Skyward
 - -Thunder Awards 5pm (link will be shared)
 - Thunder Night Lights 8-9:30pm (coaches line loop—will give out awards as a drive by)
- 5/28/20 -Senior Neighborhood Parade 9:30am
 - Faculty in best dress lined around bus loop (have this as one of places the parade goes)
 - -Lunch/Breakfast Pick-Up 11a-12:30p
 - -Commencement Exercises—Congratulations Class of 2020!
 - 6:30pm (link will be shared)
 - -Class of 2020 Fireworks Show 9:30pm (Alpine School District high schools will release at the same time)
 - More information will be forthcoming
- June 2020 Diplomas Mailed Home
 - Seniors must be cleared to receive diploma
 - -Refund checks sent

DETAILED INFORMATION

Cap, Gown, Tassel, and Stole Pick Up (Cords—if applicable)

- Please adhere to the day and time that corresponds to senior last name. If it is difficult to meet the day and/or time given, please come during any one of the 3 days/times of distribution.
- Seniors who have already purchased cap, gown and/or tassel through Jostens, will pick up in front of the school (main loop). Seniors who are eligible and have paid for honor cord(s) will receive them at that same time.
- Seniors who have NOT PURCHASED cap, gown and/or tassel through Jostens, will need to go to the auxiliary gym
 exterior doors on the north side of Westlake (where football tickets are purchased) to buy items needed for
 graduation.
- Honor cords can be pre-purchased through May 5th at 3pm. After this time, honor cords will need to be purchased
 when picking up cap and gown; on the east side of the school (east "A" hall doors). To ensure efficient distribution
 days, pre-purchase is strongly encouraged.
- ALL seniors will have a live picture taken for the virtual graduation and must be in graduation attire. (Cap, gown, 2020 tassel, and stole--navy cap & gown for boys, light blue cap & gown for girls). Cords and medals (if applicable) should also be worn. LEI'S cannot be worn when pictures are taken. Caps cannot be decorated in any way and should be worn level on the head, parallel to the ground, not on the back of the head. Tassels should be worn on the right side of the cap.

- Each senior will receive a packet that includes: Senior Information for the month of May, a personalized card that
 has the senior name, specific date and time for grad pictures (place card on car dash for the appointment), and a
 map to help you know where to go for picture days.
- All cars will need to enter Thunder Blvd. via 400 north. WE MUST KEEP THE FLOW OF TRAFFIC ORGANIZED TO ACCOMMODATE ALL 775 SENIORS.

Grad Video Pictures and Diploma Handout

- Each senior will arrive 10 minutes early from their scheduled time, in their cap & gown, for their picture appointment--the scheduled time is printed on the card that was given at cap and gown pick up. Immediate family may accompany their senior (one car only).
- A card of each senior's specific day and time was given in the packet that was picked up during cap and gown
 distribution days. Please place this on the dash of your car when coming to this appointment. All cars will need
 to enter Thunder Blvd. via 400 north. WE MUST KEEP THE FLOW OF TRAFFIC ORGANIZED TO ACCOMMODATE ALL
 775 SENIORS. Faculty/staff members and signs will assist in directing where to go as you get closer to the school.
- Diplomas (covers) will be handed out
- Stoles will be returned and candle will be given to senior (for Senior Dinner Dance) when exiting
- Yearbooks will be picked up (pre-purchased) when exiting
- Picture opportunities include large blow-up Thor in back courtyard, large hammer (used at graduations), Mighty Thunder flag, and lighted "W". The picture in front of the large hammer will be professionally taken and will be a free download if chosen to do so.
- Please be patient--this process could take up to 40 minutes to complete. Parents and seniors will need to stay in
 their car until a staff member allows them to enter the school. We ask that you stay to the allotted time you were
 given. If you come early, you will still have to wait until your scheduled time. If you miss your time, you will not
 be able to make it up--we will use your yearbook picture on the virtual graduation video.

Chromebook/Westlake Items Returned—Details will be coming

Locker Item Pick Up—Details will be coming

Yearbook Handout

- Handout days are based on yearbooks being delivered to Westlake as scheduled before Covid-19
- Yearbooks will be available online through 5/12 (3pm)—while supplies last
- Seniors will receive their yearbook (pre-purchased only) after they have taken their scheduled grad pictures and received their diploma (5/13 5/18)
- If there are still yearbooks available for purchase, there will be an opportunity on 5/26—details to come
- Hand out days are contingent on when Westlake receives shipment and may have to be adjusted
- Yearbook handout days for 10th & 11th grade students who have pre-purchased will be handed out during the Chromebook/Westlake Items Returned days (5/19 5/22). Details to come.

Senior Evening of Excellence

• Pictures and awards will be done on May 12th from 4-9pm. The link will be released on May 21st @ 5pm https://www.thundervision.org/westlake-virtual-graduation

CTE Awards Night

 Awards will be taken to recipients homes, during the day, on May 15th. Video link will be released @ 7pm https://www.thundervision.org/westlake-virtual-graduation

Performing Arts Gala

- To view awards video: https://www.thundervision.org/westlake-virtual-graduation
- Thunder Night Lights to follow at 8pm

Thunder Awards

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Thunder Night Lights

• After Performing Arts Gala and Thunder Awards

Senior Dinner Dance—Quarantine Style

• To view video: https://www.thundervision.org/westlake-virtual-graduation

Commencement Exercises

- The Class of 2020 Commencement Exercises will consist of Westlake's traditional program, including, The National
 Anthem, speakers, musical numbers, presentation of graduates, a senior highlight video, moving their tassels, and
 school song.
- Each senior will be highlighted (footage recorded during the Grad Video Picture days (5/13 − 5/18), in their cap and gown and in front of the "W"—just like at our traditional graduation at BYU.
- Graduates and families will be able to watch Westlake's Virtual Graduation in their homes, in its entirety, on Thursday, May 28th at 6:30pm. It will be accessible at https://www.thundervision.org/westlake-virtual-graduation

Firework Display—Details from ASD

PLEASE NOTE:

- Jostens prices
 - Cap & Gown--\$40
 - o Cap & Tassel--\$25
 - o Tassel--\$15
- Honor Cord prices (by invitation only)
 - \$6 each
- Seniors will be invited back for a celebration, after restrictions are lifted. A group senior picture (to hang in the commons area) will be taken.
- Sweatshirts, blankets and hammocks for sale on <u>myschoolfees.com</u>
- Westlake High School will adhere to all CDC Guidelines, and practice social distancing (6 feet apart) throughout all activities/items listed above
- Activities listed are subject to change