

GRADUATION 2020



YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED

TO ATTEND

ENFIELD HIGH SCHOOL'S

CELEBRATION WEEK

JUNE 10TH - JUNE 17TH

Wednesday, June 10th - 6:30 pm • Virtual Awards/Scholarship Ceremony

Thursday, June 11th and Friday, June 12th • Special Delivery of Senior Gift

Monday, June 15th • Drive-Up Processional at Enfield High School
Students with last names A-L attend

Tuesday, June 16th • Drive-Up Processional at Enfield High School
Students with last names M-Z attend

A professional photographer will be present to take a photograph of each graduate during our drive-up procession. As part of our gift to seniors, we will provide a 5x7 print and electronic copy to each family.

Wednesday, June 17th - 7:00 pm • Virtual Graduation
link to be sent via email

Good evening Class of 2020!

Tomorrow, Wednesday, June 10, we kick off our Celebration Week for seniors with our Awards & Scholarship show at 6:30pm! I had a chance to view a sneak-peek of the show and I think you will find the production very entertaining! You can watch this on TV (Cox Cable-Channel 16 and Frontier Cable-Channel 6024). Additionally, an internet link for the Virtual Awards and Scholarship Ceremony will be shared on Wednesday, June 10 by 2pm. We will share via Twitter, School Messenger, school emails, robo-calls, Instagram, and the link will also be available on our school and district websites.

While I have included the full text of the original email explaining celebration week below, I have had a few questions that I will answer here:

Do graduates have to wear a mask on stage?

No, graduates may walk across stage mask-free for their photo opportunity. Our photographer will take a picture of the graduate as they cross the stage.

Can you accommodate 2 vehicles for a family whose parents are separated?

Yes, we can accommodate 1 additional vehicle if there are extenuating circumstances. Just please be sure to email dferris@enfieldschools.org. You should also have the graduate notify the attendant that there are 2 vehicles when they exit the vehicle to cross the stage.

Can my family exit the vehicle to take pictures?

Families must stay in their vehicles as graduates cross the stage, but in response to popular demand, we have set up a family photo opportunity in the bus loop by the STEAM wing. Families will be permitted to exit their cars one car at a time to take their own photographs at this station in front of an EHS backdrop. Please see the image below.

Will I receive my actual diploma?

While it is possible the diplomas will be in by Monday, 6/15, there is also a chance they will be delayed due to the impact of COVID-19. If they are not available on the date of the drive-up procession, we will communicate a method of pick-up and/or delivery once they are available. Even if diplomas are not in, we will still provide each graduate a chance to walk across stage with a diploma cover for a photograph and a chance to celebrate this special moment with their family members.

When will yearbooks be distributed?

They are not in yet, but we will notify you as soon as they are shipped.

Should I decorate my vehicle?

Absolutely!

When do arrive at the EHS Pearl St. Entrance to begin the drive-up procession?

Monday, June 15th	
Time to arrive at the Pearl Street Entrance to EHS	Last Names
11:45	A - Brodeur
12:45	Brown - Colon
1:45	Comette - Donagy
2:45	Donelan - Gary
3:45	Gebhart - Ibrahim
4:45	Jackson - Lyver

Tuesday, June 16th	
Time to arrive at the Pearl Street Entrance to EHS	Last Names
11:45	MacLachlan - Miller
12:45	Montalvo - Parsons
1:45	Partiss - Rochette
2:45	Rook - Smith
3:45	Snow - Umana
4:45	Urso - Z

EHS seniors,

Our team at Enfield High School is very excited to announce additional details regarding our 2020 "Celebration Week" for seniors. The week will include the following events:

- **Wednesday, June 10th** --Virtual Awards/Scholarship Ceremony at 6:30pm
- **Thursday, June 11th and Friday, June 12th**—a member of the EHS faculty will travel to each of our students' homes to deliver a special senior gift.
- **Monday, June 15th**—Students with last names A-L will travel to EHS for a drive-up processional.
- **Tuesday, June 16th**—Students with last names M-Z will travel to EHS for a drive-up processional
- **Wednesday, June 17th**—Virtual Graduation at 7:00pm (link to be shared soon!)

Please see a detailed explanation of each event below.

Virtual Awards & Scholarship Ceremony (Wednesday, June 10th at 6:30pm).

Our annual Awards and Scholarship night will be held virtually this year. Our staff will present awards and scholarships to students in all grades. We have been hard at work planning a fun and entertaining show, so please stay tuned on how to watch!

Senior Gift Deliveries (Thursday, June 11th and Friday, June 12th)

Our staff misses our students so much that they want to help deliver a personalized yard signs and a special gift to each of our seniors by driving to their homes. Staff will call each family ahead of time to arrange for an appropriate time. We strongly encourage all staff and students to Tweet socially-distanced selfies or photographs of this moment using the hashtag: #EHSEagles2020

Drive-Up Processional (Monday, June 15th and Tuesday, June 16th)

All graduates will be invited to "have their moment" in cap-and-gown on stage so that each family can celebrate this incredible accomplishment! Each graduate will be assigned a time slot to come to Enfield High School in a vehicle. Once notified by a staff member, graduates will be allowed to exit their vehicle and walk across a stage to receive their diploma cover as their name is read aloud. Graduates will be permitted one vehicle per family, and family members (while remaining in their vehicles) will be permitted to cheer on each graduate as they walk across the stage. A photographer will take a professional-grade photograph of each graduate. We will provide a 5x7 and an electronic copy to each family in the weeks following the event. Following the moment on stage, each graduate will then pick up prizes from Safe Grad and then return to their vehicle. The good news is that all families will now have front row seats since the stage is a mere 15' from the road! Graduates are, of course, strongly encouraged to decorate their vehicles. Vehicles will enter the Pearl St. entrance and exit out of the Rt. 5 entrance. Additionally, E-TV will film this special event. While this will occur rain or shine, we are reserving June 17th and June 18th as rain-dates in the event of extreme weather or another need to postpone. View image: [Drive Up Graduation Map](#)

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Virtual Graduation (Wednesday, June 17th at 6:45 p.m.)

We have an exciting night of student performances, speeches, graduate pictures and videos to share with our entire community. The event will be streamed with a live moderated chat so that you can cheer on each graduate. In addition to the reading of each graduate's name, you will also view a compilation of videos of graduates announcing future plans! Additionally, all graduates will be able to download a digital recording of the ceremony to keep. Your favorite teachers have been hard at work preparing heartfelt messages and humorous skits to keep you entertained, so we hope you will all tune in for this special celebration.

Additional Information.

Please note the following so that there are no surprises:

I was waiting to announce the dates of the drive-up procession because I was hoping to have a more definitive estimate of when diplomas would be delivered. While the diplomas are scheduled to be delivered by June 10th, the company could not guarantee a shipment date. Because of the impact of Covid-19, many manufacturers are behind in their shipments. So, there is a chance that the diplomas will not arrive in time for the drive-up procession. Even if that is the case, we will still hold the drive-up procession on the scheduled dates so that every graduate can celebrate their special moment on stage. We have some graduates leaving for the military and college in July, so we cannot delay our June celebration. As a back-up plan, we have about 50 diploma covers that can be sterilized and used for each graduate for the photo opportunity and family celebration.

Yearbooks.

Our yearbooks have also been delayed due to the impact of Covid-19. While we hope to be able to distribute these at the drive-up procession, there is also a chance, yearbooks will not be available until later in the summer. Despite our repeated efforts, these manufacturers have not been able to guarantee a specific date.

Safe Grad.

Seniors should check their school emails to register to win great raffle prizes by June 8th!

Dropping off iPads and other School Property.

Mrs. Cox-Blackwell will send an email in the next few days announcing details on when and how seniors may return their school property such as textbooks, iPads, and uniforms. All items must be returned for graduates to receive their diplomas. The dates for senior drop-offs are Monday, 6/8 and Tuesday, 6/9 from 10AM-1PM. Students should check their school emails for detailed instructions on how to erase their iPads and how to transfer all their school files from OneDrive.

We know these are all very unique ways to celebrate graduation and hope to make your graduation as special as possible given the challenges caused by the global pandemic. We look forward to celebrating with you and your families!

Sincerely,

Erin E. Clark

Principal

Enfield High School