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Dear Parents of a 2022 DHS Graduate:

As we get closer to graduation, we would like to take this opportunity to share some information about the graduation ceremony with you. We feel the more information you have prior to the ceremony, the more smoothly it will run for all of us. **Graduation is 1:00 p.m. on Sunday, May 29, 2022, at the Biesiot Activity Center.** In the event the ceremony cannot be held outdoors, four tickets will be given to families of our seniors for admittance into the DHS gymnasium. Tickets will be given to seniors during graduation rehearsal.

Graduates should enter the BAC from the main doors on the west side. Parents will not be allowed inside and should enter the stadium from the outside entrances on the north and south. There will be volunteers available to answer questions and direct you. The first three rows of the center bleachers will be reserved for families to take pictures. No commencement seating in these three rows.

Seating will be on a first-come-first-served basis. Families may sit together in the chairs or in the bleachers. Any families or individuals utilizing the suites to observe graduation must check in with a DPS employee at the door. All suite holders must go directly to their suite after check in. Only graduates are allowed in the main lobby of the BAC. At the conclusion of graduation, you must stay in your suite until all graduates have exited the BAC to the parking lot. Reminder that this is a high school event, and no alcohol will be allowed in the suites. We greatly appreciate your cooperation. Honor ushers will be on duty at 11:45. The gates/doors will open to the public at 12:00.

For your convenience, graduation will be live streamed. You can use this link <https://consolidatednd.com/18Live> to view or find the link on Dickinson High School website, Consolidated's website or visit Dickinson High Activities Face Book page.

Graduation is a very special day for the graduates and their families. We want them to enjoy the ceremony and feel good at its completion. For that reason, we want the students to recognize the formality of the occasion and recognize their responsibility for its success. We ask that all graduates come prepared for the ceremony, dressed up in their best outfits with their gown in neat condition. We have the graduates wear gowns so that we can recognize them as a graduating class, a group of individuals of all equals and dressed the same for this ceremony. **For this reason, we ask that the graduates not wear flowers, pins, or signs on their caps or gowns.** Please save the flowers for the graduate's reception.

Monday, May 23, 2022: Commencement Rehearsal will begin at 8:00 A.M. Meet at the BAC. Attendance is required at rehearsal and at Commencement. You will be given detailed instruction for Commencement at the rehearsal. Please be on time! Practice will begin when 100% are present. We will try something new this year. After rehearsal, seniors will dress in their cap & gown and be bussed to the elementary school they attended. So please remember to bring your cap and gown to rehearsal. We will leave immediately after commencement rehearsal. Seniors will do a quick march through the elementary schools.

The senior picnic for those who signed up will follow the elementary graduation celebration. Seniors who did not sign up for the picnic will report back to school. All bags and backpacks will be checked before loading the bus. All bills must be paid, detentions served, and the \$5.00 fee paid before you will be allowed to attend the picnic. The sign up for picnic will begin on Monday, May 16, 2022, at the Front Office. Deadline to sign up is end of school day May 18.

Report cards will be mailed out as soon as they are printed.

Please let the Front Office know where to send your **FINAL** transcript. This is **your** responsibility. If you plan to attend an out of state college, contact DSU to transfer any college credit earned through Dual Credit classes.

High school graduation is an important milestone for the graduates and their families. We would like the ceremony to be remembered for the achievement each of the graduates has made. Your cooperation is essential for a successful and memorable ceremony.

Sincerely,

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Senior Class Advisors