



# Glen Rock High School



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Dear Glen Rock Students and Parents,

On May 26, after Governor Murphy announced that, "... beginning July 6th, schools will have the opportunity to hold outdoor graduation ceremonies that comply with social distancing - ensuring the health and safety of all in attendance," I sent a letter stating that we will continue with the decision to hold a virtual graduation ceremony on June 18th. The date of July 30 is still scheduled for an on-site graduation.

I know how difficult and frustrating these last few months have been. We are doing our best to ensure a memorable ceremony for June 18<sup>th</sup> and, rest assured, Mrs. Bacolas and I are already working with Dr. Parent on logistics and planning for the July 30<sup>th</sup> ceremony. Both ceremonies will recognize and honor the achievements and accolades of the Class of 2020. We await guidance from the DOE regarding what is and is not permitted for the July 30<sup>th</sup> ceremony and will share that out once we are able to view and disseminate it. I will continue to provide updates between now and June 18<sup>th</sup>. In the interim, please reach out to myself or Mrs. Bacolas should you have any questions regarding this or any of our upcoming end of year events.

In order to best prepare for this virtual graduation, we will be distributing caps and gowns from 1 PM – 4 PM each day, as follows:

Tuesday, June 2: Seniors A- F  
Wednesday June 3: Seniors G-M  
Thursday June 4: Seniors N-Z

Please contact me individually if you cannot make your scheduled date.

Please arrive by car and enter the Hamilton Avenue parking lot. You will be greeted by one of our security guards, who will radio inside. Your cap and gown, as well as any contents from either your regular locker and/or sports /PE locker will be placed on a table outside of the Hamilton Lobby. You are to pull up and retrieve these items.

This procedure was developed in accordance to the guidelines set forth by Governor Murphy, and approved by our Director of Security and Chief of Police.

Once the caps and gowns have been distributed, you will receive further instructions from me on how we would like each student to be recorded, as a personalized part of our virtual ceremony. Further information regarding yearbooks, the return of books, etc. and laptops will be forthcoming.



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Also, due to a small delay in gaining information regarding scholarship recipients, we will be postponing our Academic Awards to Wednesday June 10 at 9 AM.

*Sincerely*

**John Arlotta**  
Principal