

SENIOR ACTIVITIES

NESHANNOCK TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT

UPDATED PROCEDURES FOR GRADUATES AND THEIR GUESTS



COMMENCEMENT

JUNE 4, 2020 - 7:00PM

GRADUATE PROCEDURES

- The graduate and as many as **five** guests may attend the diploma conferral.
- The graduate is to arrive at 6:15pm on June 4th:
 - The graduates are to park in the rear lot of the high school and enter through the double doors closest to the cafeteria stairwell.
 - At this time, graduates will have their temperatures scanned, and then proceed to the cafeteria.
 - Graduates should adhere to previously stated dress code guidelines and arrive in their caps and gowns.
- The graduates will process to the auditorium and be seated together, minding social distancing guidelines, for the diploma conferral.
- Guests of the graduates will be ushered into the auditorium to see their graduate receive his/her diploma, and then proceed back to their vehicles.
- Once the final graduate receives her diploma, the graduates will recess from the auditorium, exit the building at the east end of the high school (closest to Spiker Lane), and march along the front sidewalk of the high school.
- Graduates will be greeted by the honks and cheers of their loved ones celebrating from their vehicles in the front parking lot.
- Graduates will then proceed into the building in order to exit through the rear doors to access the rear parking lot. Graduates who rode along with family may join them at the end of the march.

CLASS OF 2020



As promised, we will be honoring our graduates in the way they deserve to be honored. Given Governor Wolf's recent "green phase" guidelines, we have made some modifications to our previously published commencement plans.

The diploma conferral ceremony and commencement will still contain both in-person and virtual components; however, our 92 graduates will now be able to gather together one last time as the Class of 2020. This plan falls in line with the 250-person gathering limit set forth by our governor.

Please carefully review the procedures that are to be followed on June 4, 2020. Thank you!



SAVE THE DATE

REHEARSAL - JUNE 3, 2020 - 10:00AM

All graduates are to attend commencement rehearsal, at 10:00am, on June 3rd. Please park in the lower high school parking lot and enter the high school lobby. Temperatures will be scanned - masks required.

GUEST PROCEDURES

- The graduate and as many as **five** guests may attend the diploma conferral.
- If possible, the guests should arrive in a single vehicle:
 - Guests must enter the lower high school parking lot at the entrance closest to Spiker Lane and remain in their vehicles. Guests with additional vehicles will be directed to park in the Memorial Elementary lot.
 - Volunteers will be present in the parking lot to direct guests to their alphabetically assigned parking spaces based on the graduate's last name.
 - This is being done to ensure our volunteers are able to easily find the guests in order to usher them into the auditorium with ample time to see their graduate receive his/her diploma.
- A volunteer will let guests know when it is time to report to the building.
- All guests will have their temperatures scanned.
- Up to five "groups" of graduate guests will be assembled in the lobby and hallway as they await entry to the auditorium. A volunteer will assist.
- These guest groups will then proceed down an auditorium aisle in order to watch their graduate receive his/her diploma from Dr. Meehan and the President of the School Board.
- Volunteers will assist the guest groups as they exit the building and return to their vehicles so we can stage the next guest group. This will allow us remain well under the 250 person limit at all times.



PPE & TEMPERATURE SCAN

All graduates, guests, and volunteers are required to wear Personal Protective Equipment, in the form of a mask, and have their temperature scanned in order to enter the building. Without exception, no one will be permitted to enter the building with a temperature at or above 100.4°.

Everyone is required to adhere to social distancing guidelines and wear a mask while inside the building. Thank you for your cooperation.



MARCH OF THE GRADUATES

Once the final graduate receives her diploma, the graduates will recess from the auditorium, exit the building at the east end of the high school (closest to Spiker Lane), and march along the front sidewalk of the high school.

We encourage guests to greet graduates with celebratory cheers and horn honking from their vehicles in the front parking lot.

Graduates will then proceed into the building (near the choir room) in order to exit through the rear doors to access the rear parking lot.

Graduates who rode along with family may join them at the end of the march.

At the end of the march, the last graduate entering the building will mark the conclusion of our celebration. Due to social distancing regulations, no graduates or guests are permitted to remain on the school campus.

VISIT [NTSD.ORG](https://www.ntsd.org) FOR UPDATES AND INFORMATION

Volunteers will be on-site to guide the graduates and guests on June 4, 2020.

ARRIVAL TIMES - PARKING GUIDELINES

- All graduates are to arrive by 6:15pm on Thursday, June 4th.
- Guests are to arrive and park according to the first letter of their graduate's last name. Volunteers will be on campus to assist with parking locations. This is being done to ensure our volunteers are able to easily locate the guests of the graduates so they can be ushered into the auditorium to see their graduate receive his/her diploma.
- Guests requiring handicap accessible parking (please have placard in place) are to arrive at 6:15pm and park in the upper lot of the high school.
- Based on the first letter of the graduate's last name, all other guests of graduates are to arrive at the following times:
 - Top Ten Seniors 6:15pm
 - Graduates A-C 6:20pm
 - Graduates D-G 6:25pm
 - Graduates H-K 6:30pm
 - Graduates L-O 6:35pm
 - Graduates P-R 6:40pm
 - Graduates S-Z 6:45pm
- Please make every effort to arrive at your designated time. Thank you!



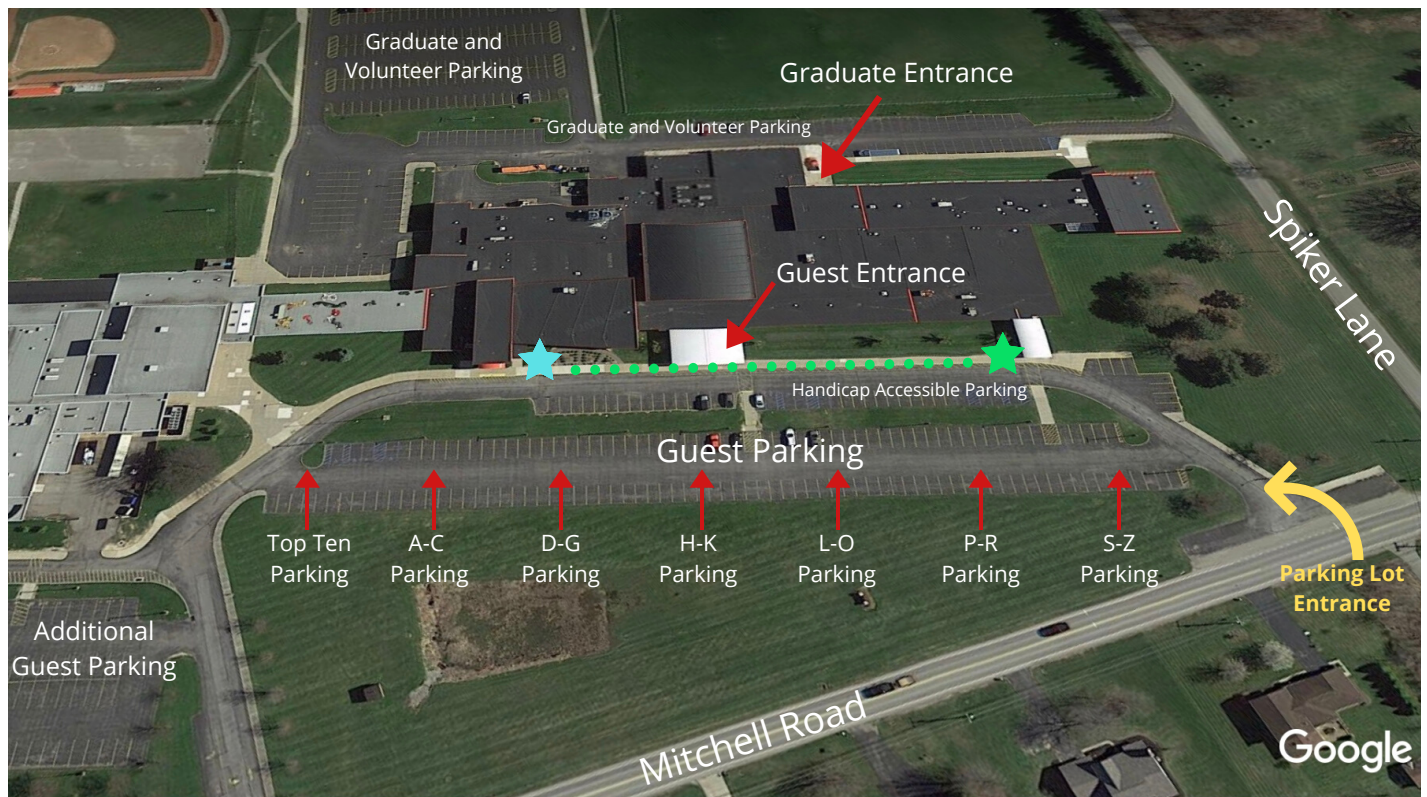
LIVE STREAMING AND PHOTOGRAPHY

Beginning at 7:00pm on June 4th, the diploma conferral ceremony will be livestreamed on the District Facebook page (@neshtsd) for all to view.

The traditional commencement ceremony, in its entirety, will be recorded, edited, and made available for public viewing on both the District website and social media outlets as soon as our technology team can finalize the video.

Clark's Studio will be on campus to photograph our graduates as they exit the building for the March of the Graduates.

Laura Ruppertsberger Photography will be on campus to photograph our graduates in the auditorium throughout the diploma conferral ceremony.



★ ★ MARCH OF THE GRADUATES ROUTE, FRONT SIDEWALK (GREEN STAR TO BLUE STAR)