Class of 2020 – End-of-The-Year Event Schedule

This document contains the plan to celebrate the Class of 2020 in the wake of COVID-19.

Student Facing Events

Name That Senior Tuesdays
- Each Tuesday for the remainder of the school year Overlake will post a collection of senior portraits on our social media outlets. These portraits will include the student’s senior quote. The posting will be randomized so seniors and their families should check back each week to see if they or one of their friends is highlighted.

“A Message From” Wednesdays
- Each Wednesday in April and May stakeholders from the school will put together a short video clip sharing a message to the Class of 2020 via Canvas. At times, these videos will be funny and lighthearted and at other times they will be serious and sincere.

National College Decision Day
- On Friday, May 1, 2020 from 11:45-12:15pm, Overlake will be celebrating National Decision Day. Our Directors of College Counseling plan to celebrate the seniors via Zoom. Seniors will be given the option to wear their (future) college apparel if they’ve decided on a school or wear another top of their choosing.

Zoom Senior Class Meetings
- To connect as a class, we will be having weekly class meetings. Monday class meetings are optional and are in the spirit of fun and games. Wednesday and Friday class meetings are grade level business. Students should review Canvas for specific dates and times.

Senior Skip Day / Senior Field Day
- The Senior Class Representatives are hard at work planning for a special virtual "Senior Skip Day/Senior Field Day" for Thursday, May 7th (i.e. the last day seniors are usually on campus).

Community Facing Events

Virtual Senior Brunch
- In the era of COVID, we cannot conduct an in person Senior Brunch on Saturday, May 30th at 10:00am so we are moving it virtually – save the date! Families and their senior will receive special instructions to login to this formal Zoom meeting the week of May 25th. At 10:00am on 5/30, the class will hear keynote speeches from Matt Horvat and Gerald Buhaly honoring the journey of the Class of 2020. Then families/students will be ushered into specific "Homeroom Meeting Rooms". There, each Homeroom Advisor will read aloud their senior speech and give a toast to their Homeroom. At the end of the speeches the Homeroom can banter back and forth and then do a few toasts before they hop off the Zoom meeting. All meetings will be recorded and a mash up will be created to be sent out to families thereafter, that way families can review speeches made about their child and their children’s friends in different Homerooms.
Mobile Graduation Processional

- In the era of COVID, we will not be able to hold Graduation on Sunday, June 7th. We will be postponing an in-person Graduation to later in the summer. To honor the significance of this day, we will conduct an optional “Mobile Graduation Processional”.
- Final details will be sent to families and the community in May.

Logistics:

- We will stage graduates in their cars in the Junior Lot at 3:15pm. Graduates will be encouraged to wear their Cap & Gown and decorate their cars with “Class of 2020” messages. Graduates can either drive themselves or have one of their parents drive them.
- Graduates with autoimmune compromised conditions are recommended to keep their windows up during the processional.
- At 4:00pm, the ASB President will lead the processional to the Upper Lot. On the way, they will see Faculty & Staff cars lined up (6 ft away from each other of course).
- Faculty/Staff will be in their cars, sit on their cars and/or be beside their cars and wave (whatever fits their comfort level). They will be encouraged to make signs.
- As the student’s circle Fulton, they will see a “Senior Banner” with each of their names highlighted on it. Matt, Gerald, Meghan, Mike, and Senior Advisors will be standing by the banner and waving. Matt will be handing out a special gift to each senior.
- The processional will then continue down to some of the classes most memorable locations in Redmond where they will find visitors along the way.

Staging: Sunday, June 7th

Junior Lot - Class of 2020 (Staging – 3:15pm)
Overlake Upper Lot – Faculty & Staff (Staging - 3:30pm)
Fulton Turn Around – Matt, Gerald, Meghan, Mike & Senior Advisors (Staging – 3:30pm)
Perrigo – Class of 2020 Families (Staging – 3:45pm)
Pancake House - Junior Class (Staging – 4:00pm)
Marymoor – Larger Overlake Community (Staging – 4:15pm)

August Graduation Blowout

- Before seniors head off to college, we would like to have an in-person Graduation celebration. Of course, this is dependent on state regulations. If we do have the opportunity to meet in person, we would like to have an opportunity for students/faculty/advisors to reconnect on campus to sign yearbooks and say their goodbyes, have a formal Graduation, an after Graduation celebratory BBQ, and then a modified Grad Night.
- Additional details will be sent to families and the community in May.