

Dear Las Lomas Knights,

Congratulations to the Class of 2020! The academic and extracurricular accomplishments of this class are worthy of celebration. The current circumstances only strengthen our school's commitment to honor the achievements of the seniors. Throughout these last few weeks, there has been significant uncertainty, but our commitment to graduating our seniors remains unwavering. I am excited to announce that all five schools in the Acalanes Union High School District will hold commencement ceremonies for the Class of 2020 during the first week of June. The Las Lomas graduation will be held on **Wednesday, June 3rd**.

The commencement ceremonies will be held on campus and will follow a format that allows for tradition, celebration, and adherence to safety protocols related to social distancing. Many aspects of the graduation will be recorded in advance but preserving the tradition of in-person diploma acceptance is essential. The Las Lomas ceremony will include the following:

- Official Welcome
- Student and Staff Speeches
- Certification of the Class of 2020
- Presentation of Diplomas
- Ceremonial Changing of the Tassel

Due to social distancing guidelines, students and their families will not be on campus for every facet of the ceremony. Students and their immediate family members will be invited to campus during a specific timeframe to participate in a diploma presentation. Professional videographers will film every component of the ceremony and present it via a live webcast. This webcast will be recorded and available, in a condensed format, after graduation. Photographers will also be onsite to capture the moment.

I will work closely with student and parent leaders to plan and facilitate the ceremonies. As the expectations for maintaining safe social distancing evolve, I will continue to collaborate with Contra Costa Health Services and local officials to ensure that we are following the most current guidelines

Please look for follow-up communication detailing the Las Lomas commencement ceremony schedule and cap and gown pick up event. We look forward to celebrating the Class of 2020 with you in June.

Go Knights!

Tiffany Benson  
Principal Las Lomas High School