

Graduation Commencement Details

Protocols

- All volunteers will wear face masks and maintain appropriate social distancing
- Parking
 - a. Parking lot attendants will help direct traffic
 - b. Individual students and families should arrive together 10 minutes prior to the 30 minute time slot they have signed up for
 - c. Parking will be staged in separate areas of the east gym parking lot and students and families will be directed through to each designated location matching their registered time for graduation
- All students, families, and guests are encouraged to wear a face mask while on school grounds
- All students and families will walk together as directed by volunteers and will maintain appropriate social distancing
- Volunteers will be in place to help direct students and families where to go when walking through for graduation
- COVID-19 Screener Questions → These screening questions, provided by the Department of Public Health, will need to be answered by all individuals prior to coming on campus:
 - a. Have you in the past 14 days been in contact with someone diagnosed with or quarantined for COVID -19?
 - b. Have you had any of the following - fever, chills, sore throat, cough, shortness of breath, loss of taste or smell, headache, body ache, nasal congestion, vomiting, or diarrhea within the last 3 days?
- Anyone exhibiting symptoms should not be in attendance

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Option #2:

- A more intimate in person commencement ceremony will take place on Thursday, June 11 and Friday, June 12
- Graduation times will occur every 30 minutes on each day between 9:30AM-2:30PM. Separate times will occur each day for high risk students or guests between 3:00-4:00PM. Time slots for graduation have been added between 5:00-8:00 PM on Thursday, June 11.
- Each Senior graduate and up to 4 guests will be allowed to participate in a live format
- Each Senior Graduate will walk across the stage in their cap and gown on the football field with their guests able to view in close proximity from the track
- Graduating seniors will collect their diploma and get their picture taken by a professional photographer

- This graduation ceremony will take place outside on our football field at Mohawk Stadium. (If weather does not permit, the Mohawk Gymnasium will be used as a backup location.)
- **An electronic sign-up for time slots** will be sent to senior parents to select a 30 minute window of time for Thursday, June 11 or Friday, June 12. Special time slots will be reserved on each day for students/families that have high risk members to ensure their health and well-being.
 - If your graduating senior or an attending guest is high risk please call the Mason City High School office at 641-421-4436 to reserve a time between 3:00PM-4:00PM on June 11 or June 12
 - A text message will follow this communication with a URL link for parents to sign their graduating senior up for a graduation time
 - Time slots will be available between 9:30AM- 2:30PM on both June 11 and June 12
 - Sign up will require parents to enter their students name and an email to sign up for a specific time
 - Once you have submitted your students name and an email address, you will receive a follow up email to sign up for a specific time for graduation
 - **If you do not have an email please call the school at 641-421-4436 and we will help schedule a graduation time for your student**
 - **If noone is available when you call for reservations or questions, please leave a detailed message with your name and phone number**
- A professional video recording of our entire graduation ceremony will be shared with our families. This will include senior speeches, recognition of students, procession of students walking across the stage, recorded music by MCHS students, and a final salute from our senior class president. Please allow up to four weeks after graduation for this to be completed. The recording will be accessible through the Mason City Community Schools District Website as well as an online format in partnership with the Globe Gazette. Additional details will be shared upon availability of the video.

Academic Hall of Fame

Option #2:

- Following Graduation Option #2 above, eligible senior graduates and their 4 guests will participate in a live format of the induction into the Academic Hall of Fame that will take place on Wednesday, June 10.
- Each eligible student and their 4 guests will come to the high school to place their name placard on the wall. Student biographies will be read and pictures can be taken.
- A sign up for time slots between 9:30 - 10:45AM will be sent to parents to select a time for Wednesday, June 10 that will allow all to safely distance during the ceremony.