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Dear Stockton Unified Students and Families,

Stockton Unified School District is committed to celebrating the milestones of all of our youth during this global pandemic. Over the past three weeks, an incredible team of stakeholders, students, administrators, teachers, and support staff have been working together to make alternative arrangements to celebrate the promotion and commencement of our students. Below we have provided information on how we intend to honor students in Kindergarten, fifth-graders promoting to our Franklin IB program, eighth-grade students, high school seniors, and students at our Young Adult Program.

Kindergarten

Kindergarten students moving on to first grade will have a Kindergarten promotion ceremony during the first two weeks of the 2020-2021 school year. School sites will communicate important details to their families.

Promotions

All schools with 8th-grade promotions and any IB schools with 5th-grade promotions will have both a virtual ceremony that will air the last week in May and a traditional promotion when students return from summer break. Each elementary site will hold a special recognition for their 8th-graders advancing to our high school campuses during the first two weeks of the 2020-2021 school year.

Elementary sites with 5th-grade IB students advancing to our IB Middle Years Program will also hold a special recognition for these students during the first two weeks of the 2020-2021 school year. School sites will communicate important details to their families.

Commencements

All Seniors, Adult School students, and our Young Adult Program students will have both a virtual commencement ceremony that will air the last week in May and a traditional program. While it seems unlikely at the moment, we are aiming to hold these ceremonies in August if our current sanctions are lifted. In the event that August does not work, we will plan to hold the ceremonies during winter break. School sites will communicate important details to their families.

We thank our incredible team and the greater community, as we received over 4000 survey responses, which included an array of thought-provoking suggestions on how we can ensure our Stockton Unified students are honored. We are so humbled by the heartfelt responses and messages we continue to receive which demand the best for our students. Together we will get through this challenging time and honor our incredible youth.

Thank you,

Dr. John E. Deasy, Superintendent



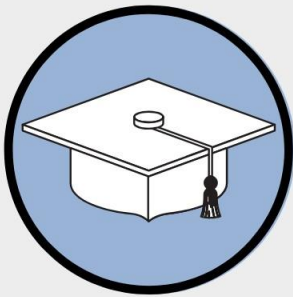
PLANS FOR PROMOTIONS & COMMENCEMENT CEREMONIES

KINDERGARTEN PROMOTION

Kindergarten students moving on to first grade will have a Kindergarten promotion ceremony during the first two weeks of the 2020-2021 school year. School sites will communicate important details to their families.



8TH-GRADE & 5TH-GRADE IB PROMOTIONS



All schools with 8th-grade promotions and IB schools with 5th-grade promotions will have both a virtual ceremony that will air the last week in May and a traditional promotion when students return from summer break. Each elementary site will hold a special recognition for their 8th-graders advancing to our high school campuses during the first two weeks of the 2020-2021 school year. IB schools will also hold a special recognition for 5th-grade students advancing to the IB Middle Years program during the first two weeks of the 2020-2021 school year. School sites will communicate important details to their families.

HIGH SCHOOL COMMENCEMENTS

All Seniors, Adult School students, and our Young Adult Program students will have both a virtual commencement ceremony that will air the last week in May and a traditional program. We are aiming to hold this ceremony in August if our current sanctions are lifted. In the event that August does not work, we will plan to hold the ceremonies during winter break. School sites will communicate important details to their families.



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