

Windthorst Graduation Plan 2020- Revised

Due to a clarification from Commissioner Morath, the location of graduation has been moved to the Windthorst Football field at 7:00 pm on May 24th 2020.

In an effort to honor our Senior students as normally as possible, Windthorst ISD graduation will be held on May 24, 2020 on Windthorst ISD Football Field. This is in line with the Governor's policies, at this time, for a rural district in a county with no cases of the Covid-19 virus.

These are the provisions:

1. Each graduate will be allowed to invite 8 guests to graduation. We will mail the tickets to the students prior to graduation. Each person will be required to have a ticket to enter the commencement.
2. Students will be positioned at a minimum of 6 feet apart on the football field.
3. Guests will enter and exit the facilities through the gate on the hill. The faculty members will be there collecting tickets.
4. Each student will have a pre-assigned seating area (by lottery) in the football stands. The area will be taped off prior to the event. We will observe the 6-foot social distancing guidelines during the ceremony. Guests will be escorted to their seats prior to the ceremony and will be dismissed by section at the conclusion. Only eight guests may sit in the area designated for each student with only 5 within a household. The tickets are for that student's guests only and cannot be shared with other students for safety reasons.
5. We ask guests to limit their movements during the ceremony. Guests must stay in their seats as much as possible. We will have faculty monitor the grounds for movement and social distancing.
6. At the conclusion of the commencement, the students will leave the facility through the gate on the hill without our normal receiving line. Guests will be released by section to meet their graduate outside the field, in the parking area. Please continue to observe social distancing.
7. Prior to attending the ceremony, participating students and attending family members must be screened (via questioning) by school system employees for any of the following new or worsening signs or symptoms of possible COVID-19. Each person will also have their temperature taken on entrance into the facilities.

If something should change in the time preceding the ceremony, our contingency plan will be:

1. Move back to the gymnasium
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2. Postpone the ceremony until June 14th, 2020.

The ceremony will be streamed via Facebook live during the event for anyone not able to attend.

Masks are the suggested for each guest, but not required.

Our goal is to honor our students in the safest way possible. We feel this plan is in compliance with the intent of Governor Abbott's Open Texas Requirement.