

## **CANISIUS HIGH SCHOOL**

JESUIT PREPARATION for COLLEGE...FOR LIFE

May 14, 2020

Dear parents of seniors and seniors,

We pray this letter finds you and your family well.

On April 20th we sent a letter announcing our plan for a day of celebration for seniors and setting dates should state and local regulations allow us to gather as a community during the coming months. Additionally, we established May 21st as a day for celebrating senior achievement virtually.

Here are details on some of the celebration elements planned for that day:

1) From 4:00 p.m. until 5:30 p.m. on May 21<sub>st</sub>, you are invited to participate in a drive though parade at Canisius High School.

While public gathering continues to be prohibited, the parade will be an opportunity for our community to recognize every senior on this date that was to be his Graduation from Canisius. It's been some time since we've been together on campus; this is a nice chance to celebrate the Class of 2020 in the presence of our school and on the day that we all work towards and cherish. Please come by and participate anytime between 4:00-5:30. We invite you to decorate your vehicle for the occasion.

We have consulted local authorities to ensure compliance with current regulations.

· For safety and to prevent traffic congestion, we ask that drivers enter the main Canisius lot at 1180 Delaware Ave heading south (towards downtown). Do not attempt to turn left into the Canisius lot.

- Drivers heading north towards the school on Delaware should continue north to Gates Circle, and circle back to the school for a southbound approach.
- Participants must stay inside their vehicles. While we'd all love to spend time together catching up and sharing congratulations, this is prohibited by the NY State Pause Order.
- · Do not park or linger in the Canisius lots.
- 2) Senior awards and honors will be announced throughout the day on May 21 via Twitter @CanisiusHS and canisiushigh.org.

We know that these efforts cannot replace the graduation that seniors have worked so hard for and deserve, nor can they fully demonstrate the support, love and gratitude we have for them. We are hopeful the present situation improves and we may formally gather to celebrate the class of 2020 during one of the proposed dates over the coming months at which time we will be able to grant diplomas and distribute yearbooks and some special graduation gifts for our seniors. As well, we look forward to hosting our class of 2020 graduates for a social gathering on the evening of November 25th when everyone is home for Thanksgiving weekend.

With prayerful best wishes for you and your family,

Fr. David S. Ciancimino, S.J. President

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