

Sorg's Scoop Updates

4/1/21

- **STATE TESTING/2-HOUR DELAYS:** This year's state testing will be held beginning Monday, April 19. To help provide the best testing environment possible, 2-Hour Delays will be used on April 19, April 20, April 26, and April 27. Students taking tests on those days will report to school at the normal time of 8:00AM and will test until 10:00AM. Students not taking any of the tests on those days will not need to report to school until 10:00AM. After testing ends at 10:00AM, Arlington High School (grades 7-12) ONLY will operate on a 2-Hour Delay schedule. Bus transportation will follow the normal schedule for students who need to ride the bus. The cafeteria will be open for students who arrive at 8:00AM but do not have tests to take to have breakfast or to complete school work until the start of the day at 10:00AM.
- **EARLY DISMISSAL FOR GRADES 7-12 ON APRIL 22:** Teachers will have a professional development session on Thursday, April 22. As a result, students in grades 7-12 ONLY will have an early dismissal from school at 1:00PM. However, transportation home from school will remain at its normal schedule. Students will either need to arrange their own transportation from school or will need to wait in the cafeteria until 3:00PM and then ride the bus home.
- **PROM:** An in-person Junior/Senior Prom will be held on Saturday, April 24, from 8:00-11:00PM. Tickets are currently on sale for juniors and seniors who would like to attend. Students should see Mr. Valasek, Mrs. Cheney, or any member of the planning committee for details.
- **SCHOLARSHIPS/AWARDS CEREMONY:** The annual scholarship and awards ceremony will be held on Friday, May 21, at 9:30AM. This year's event will be held in the new gym. Seniors will be dismissed from school at the conclusion of the ceremony, as this will be the senior's FINAL day of school!
- **SPRING "EVENT" ON FRIDAY, MAY 21:** On Friday, May 21, a special evening "event" will be held for all Arlington students ONLY in grades 9-12. Final plans are being made by Student Council members, but high school students should plan to attend this fun event! Activities tentatively being planned include cornhole competitions, music, dancing, and PLENTY of fun to celebrate FINALLY being back together! Masks will be required for all those attending the event.
- **FINAL EXAMS:** This year we will NOT have Final Exams for our students in grades 9-12. As a result, there will be NO special exam schedule at the end of the school year. Students will follow a regular bell schedule through the last day of school.
- **GRADUATION SET-UP:** ALL seniors will be expected to help with the graduation ceremony set-up on Tuesday, May 25, beginning at 9:00AM and ending by 12:00PM. Students should report to the new gym through the student parking lot entrance by the Art room, and then walking down the back hallway. Seniors should not report to any other areas of the building, as all other students will be having a regular school day.
- **SENIOR BREAKFAST/GRADUATION REHEARSAL:** All seniors and their parents are invited to the annual Senior Breakfast on Wednesday, May 26, beginning at 8:30AM. Weather-permitting, pictures will be taken on the front lawn at the conclusion of breakfast. The Class of 2021 will then hold their graduation rehearsal in the gym (seniors only).

- **LAST DAY OF SCHOOL/EARLY DISMISSAL:** The last day of school for the 2020-2021 school year is Thursday, May 27. There will also be a district-wide early dismissal at 1:00PM that day.
- **GRADUATION CEREMONY:** We are currently planning an in-person graduation ceremony for Sunday, May 30, 2021, at 3:00PM! Specific details regarding seating arrangements, ticket allowances, etc. will be shared once those have been put in place. Masks will be required of all participants and those attending the ceremony. As with many events this year, our ability to hold an in-person graduation ceremony will be dependent on state and local restrictions.
- I encourage ALL students and parents to sign-up for the appropriate groups below to receive text notifications of school delays/closings and other important information to be shared. This is a GREAT way to receive communication about school events!

| <u>Group Name</u> | <u>Send this text to 81010</u> |
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| Class of 2021/Seniors | @21reddevil |
| Class of 2022/Juniors | @22reddevil |
| Class of 2023/Sophomores | @23reddevil |
| Class of 2024/Freshmen | @24reddevil |
| Class of 2025/8th Graders | @25reddevil |
| Class of 2026/7th Graders | @26reddevil |