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"ALL LEARNERS, ALL FUTURES"

To: Learners, Parents, and Guardians
From: Mr. Travis Lee, High School Principal

Re: HAHS Class of 2020 Learner and Family Update

Date: April 15, 2020

Good morning,

Yesterday I held video conferencing meetings with the Class of 2020 to share information about plans for alternative senior activities and a virtual commencement ceremony. The meetings were a senior specific follow-up to the school district message. The reason for the meetings was to share current plans and to gather ideas and feedback - we know that their participation is important in making these events successful.

However, it was shared yesterday that we would plan for the virtual commencement, and that a traditional in-person event would not be possible, due to several factors. *After hearing from the learners and families, though, we will continue to assess how we may be able to provide an in-person ceremony*. Please know that we must continue to plan for a virtual commencement scenario, in the event that a traditional ceremony cannot be held. We are truly living in unprecedented times, so it is hard to make predictions, and know that no decisions are ever taken lightly. We will be reaching out to learners and families within the coming days, outlining several scenarios, and seeking feedback.

We know that this is not an ideal situation for anyone, and we are committed to doing our best for our kids! We believe that it's important to do the best that we can for the Class of 2020 during this challenging time. Let's work together to keep their spirits up, and keep their eye on the prize of receiving their diplomas and transitioning to the next phase of their lives.

Sincerely,

Travis R. Lee, High School Principal