Manhattan Graduation Ceremony Information
Class of 2020

Dear seniors, parents, and guardians,

We are happy to share the following information regarding the 2020 High School Graduation Ceremony. We will be holding an in-person graduation ceremony for the class of 2020! The ceremony will be held in the Manhattan High School Varsity Gymnasium on May 31st, at 2:00 pm. For public health and safety, attendance is limited to 4 guests per graduate. Tickets will be provided to seniors at the 11:00 a.m. graduation practice on May 27th.

In order to hold a traditional ceremony during this time of COVID-19, we must adhere to the guidelines outlined and approved by the Gallatin County Health Department and the State of Montana. We thank you in advance for reading this information, following guidelines, and supporting our efforts. By working together, we will have a successful ceremony while safeguarding the health and safety of all participants.

On Graduation Day:
Please park in the main school lot, enter the school through the front entrance, and proceed toward the gym while maintaining a safe social distance from others. Face masks are highly encouraged and will be available at the entrance. There will be ushers at the entrance of the school and gym to explain the seating process. This process includes a six foot distance between guest sections of four that are designated in the bleachers. Please proceed to seats in an efficient fashion and do not congregate in hallways, gym, front of the building, etc. Doors are scheduled to be open at 1:15 p.m.

We would like to remind you that the ceremony will be video recorded and broadcast live for individuals who are unable to attend. Information to view the ceremony remotely will be provided on the school website. This recording will also be available for families following graduation day. Parents will not be permitted on the floor during the ceremony. There will be a professional photographer taking photos of each graduate receiving their diploma. A digital copy of this photo will be available to families. Due to social distancing, we ask that no group photos be taken on school property.

Please view the ceremony at a virtual location if you have travelled out of state, if you are immunocompromised in any way or live with someone who is, or if you are experiencing symptoms such as cough, sore throat, fever, and/or shortness of breath.

Thank you for your cooperation as we come together to honor the class of 2020!

Take care,
Jason Slater, High School Principal
Maggie Secrest, School Nurse