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Students and Parents of the Penn Cambria Class of 2020,

First, let me start by stating how much we miss all of you and your leadership at PCHS. We will not let this current situation stop us from having a meaningful commencement ceremony. This isn't happening to us, it's happening for us. I'd like to summarize our plan for the Class of 2020 Commencement Ceremony.

The 2020 Penn Cambria Commencement Ceremony was scheduled to be held at Mount Aloysius College on Saturday May 30th. If there comes a time before July 31st that we are permitted to have a formal graduation ceremony and gather in large groups, we will still work with Mount Aloysius to make that happen.

We believe that May 30th is our best opportunity to have a commencement ceremony that the entire Class of 2020 could attend. Penn Cambria has partnered with Saint Francis University to hold a processional parade and then a "drive-in" style ceremony with all social distancing practices in place. The Class of 2020 and their immediate family will be assigned a parking spot in the lower lot at JFK. We will be parking every other spot. The top lot will be reserved for extended family and friends and will be first come first serve parking every other spot.

All members of the Class of 2020 should be at JFK in their parking spot by 11:30 AM on May 30th. The Processional Parade for the Class of 2020 will start at 11:30. A detailed map of the parade route will be released in the coming weeks. There will be designated parking areas for extended family members and friends to park along the route. The parade will end back at the JFK parking lots in your assigned parking spot. All vehicles will park facing JFK.

At approximately 12:15 pm the Commencement Ceremony for the Class of 2020 will begin. The event will be live streamed and broadcast over a local radio station. We will be distributing Commencement programs. The details of the actual ceremony are still a "work in progress." There will be student speeches and the Graduation Award announcements. We will also do diploma presentation but will wait until mid-May to decide upon logistics.

Everyone will be required to stay in their cars if the Governor's orders do not change. If restrictions are eased, we will make appropriate changes to our event.

Our goal is for this to be a special event for the Class of 2020. We encourage all of you to decorate your cars for the processional parade. We will also allow you to decorate your caps for the ceremony. We will be asking for pictures of your caps so we can post those on our Twitter account. We are meeting with representatives of the senior class via Zoom on Wednesday April 22nd to start planning more specific details. I look forward to working with the Class of 2020 and your parents to make this a memorable event. Please stay safe!

William W. Marshall

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