Class of 2020 FAQ

How will final grades and special designations be determined?

District leadership, in collaboration with principals, will provide teachers with guidance to provide consistent methods of assigning grades in our remote learning environment. To be clear, the fourth quarter is not pass/fail; seniors will earn grades based on classroom assignments and participation beginning April 14. Every effort will be made to ensure that online learning does not have a negative impact on student grades for those who engage in assignments. Students will receive the special designations and honors as outlined in the course guide.

If my child is struggling or making up credits to graduate, what is necessary to ensure s/he graduates?

Counselors and/or school administration will directly contact students who are at risk of not graduating. Opportunities for credit recovery or make-up plans will be shared with students and families in an effort to help all students graduate. Please contact your senior student’s counselor if you have specific concerns or if access is a challenge.

Who determines if my student will graduate?

Seniors who meet all of their credit requirements will graduate with the Class of 2020. To pass courses and earn credits it will be important for seniors to engage in the remote learning plan and complete class assignments.
Students who had not yet met the state required 18-point “End of Course Exam” requirement (or alternate pathway) but were making progress when schools were mandated to begin remote learning, will be considered to have met these requirements. Per the state’s guidelines outlined in House Bill 197, principals will collaborate with counselors and teachers to determine if a student has met the expectations necessary to graduate.

**Will the graduation ceremony be postponed?**

Due to the current state mandates and uncertainty regarding when social distancing guidelines will be relaxed, the district has rescheduled both commencement ceremonies for **Sunday, July 26** at Northern Kentucky University.

While this was an extremely difficult decision to make, we felt it was the best choice to help ensure that our senior class and their families will be able to enjoy this highly anticipated and special event. We will share more information with you regarding specifics in the coming weeks.

**Will there be a senior prom?**

Turpin has rescheduled its prom for May 16 to abide by the state’s current social distancing mandate. Anderson’s prom was originally scheduled for May 16, which means both AHS and THS proms are now scheduled for the same date. We are closely following the guidance set forth by Governor DeWine and public health officials and will communicate additional details as we receive more information.

Our team is working to determine the best solution available within the parameters of government mandates on schools and social distancing
should additional changes need to be made.

**If my child has not confirmed a college choice, how will the necessary information be completed?**

There are many helpful resources found on the counseling pages of the Anderson and Turpin websites. Students will have the full support of the counseling department to continue the college admission process. Students should email counselors directly. In addition, please continue to monitor Schoology and email messages for important announcements and reminders.

**Will there be any spring sports?**

At this time, a decision has not yet been made regarding spring sports; however, the district will closely follow the guidance set forth by Governor DeWine and the Ohio High School Athletics Association. FHSD will release more information regarding spring sports as it becomes available.

**How can my student access the building to retrieve personal items and turn in items such as books, uniforms and technology?**

All school buildings are currently closed to comply with the public order from Governor DeWine. All buildings have been deep cleaned and will remain closed until the “stay at home” order is lifted. As new information is released, this decision will be re-assessed. Turn-in procedures will be shared with families should the “stay at home” order require the schools remain closed for the remainder of the school year. Please contact your child’s principal if you have questions.