

## Mountain Education Charter High School

"The first choice for a second chance to build a better future through education"

## Dear MECHS,

In an effort to recognize the outstanding efforts of the Class of 2020, MECHS will be hosting two forms of graduation celebrations. A few weeks ago, seniors were polled on whether they would prefer a traditional ceremony or a virtual graduation ceremony. Of the 17 sites, seniors at only one site requested a virtual graduation ceremony. Two other sites had close tallies between virtual and traditional, with slightly more students favoring a traditional ceremony. With the current increase of COVID-19 cases, we felt it best to design a plan to meet the requests, to some degree, of all students in a manner that protects the health of our students and staff.

Each MECHS site will conduct a "Graduation Celebration" for graduates either in their parking lot or at an outdoor facility. During the celebration, students will have the opportunity to pick up caps and gowns, scholarship information, as well as other commemorative items. This will also be a time to have cap and gown pictures made for those students who have not yet had the opportunity. This celebration will happen a few days prior to the virtual graduation ceremony.

Each site will also conduct a virtual graduation ceremony. Electronic programs and graduation invitations will be provided for each ceremony. The ceremony will be recorded and posted on the site Facebook page to be shown on a set day and time. The virtual ceremony may also be accessed on the site website pages for those who are not on social media.

Please be on the lookout for communication from your site on what day and time your graduation celebration and ceremony will be held. We look forward to celebrating our Class of 2020 and wish them all the best in their future endeavors.

Respectfully,
Office of the Superintendent