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Fresno Unified will Hold Outdoor Graduation Ceremonies

The district is pleased to announce that it will hold outdoor graduation ceremonies for the Class of 2021, providing seniors an opportunity to receive their diplomas with their classmates, in front of family members. The Fresno Unified Board of Education is expected to finalize plans at its April 21 meeting.

Based on current health guidelines, the ceremonies will be outdoors, requiring physical distancing and masks. Currently, guests would be limited to members of the graduating senior's household, but more attendees could be allowed if community health conditions continue to improve and state and local health restrictions are relaxed. The ceremonies will be live streamed and professional photos taken of each participating graduate.

Graduates from the Class of 2020, who missed out on a ceremony last year, will have an opportunity to walk across the stage at the opening of graduation season. The district will release more information about the Class of 2020 celebration when plans are finalized.

Graduation dates (locations and times still being finalized)

“While we know our seniors had an extremely challenging year and missed out on most traditional senior activities, we hope the announcement of outdoor graduation ceremonies brings some much-deserved joy and excitement to the Class of '21 and their families,” said Superintendent Bob Nelson.

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