

## Okeechobee High School COVID-19 2020 Graduation Plan

**When:** Saturday, May 30 at 9:00 AM

**Where:** Okeechobee County Agri-Civic Center

**Who:** Graduates Only, no tickets will be issued

### Entrance Plan:

- All cars will enter the Agri-Center Complex via HWY 710 gate.
- At the second on-property intersection an SRO will be stopping cars to check for grads only or a parent drop off.
  - EMT/Medical Professional will be stationed at the check-point.
  - All students will then have their temperature checked by EMT/Medical Professional
    - If the temperature is 100 degrees or more the graduate will be denied entry
    - Graduates denied entry will be routed straight to follow the road to the HWY 70 gate
  - If the graduate will be picked up following the ceremony, the student will be given an orange armband to place on the right wrist.
  - Parent Drop off cars will be routed straight to the paved loop at the front of the Agri-Center
    - Parents will pull up as directed by SRO/SO in loop and graduates will remain in the vehicle until instructed to exit.
    - Parent will be asked how the graduate will be leaving the ceremony.
      - Parent will be instructed to pick up graduate by entering the Hwy 70 gate and return back to the loop to pick up.
      - If car pick-up, attendee will check for an armband
      - If no armband, the graduate will not be permitted to leave the car and the car will be routed to the exit at HWY 70
    - Upon exit, graduate will be handed a map of the seating chart
    - Graduates exiting parent's car will be directed to the northwest gate opening to the loop to enter the arena.
    - Graduates entering the gate must get a mask if not already wearing one and use the hand sanitizing stations before entering the graduation floor.
    - Graduates will be instructed to report directly to their assigned seat on the floor of the arena.
  - Cars with only graduates will be diverted to the right to the parking area.
    - SROs/SO will park all graduates in the lot south of the main arena.
    - Students will be instructed to remain in their vehicles until instructed to leave.
    - SRO/SO will dismiss graduates from their parked vehicles one car at a time, going down one row at a time to ensure gatherings do not occur.
    - Upon exit of the vehicle, graduates will be handed a map of the seating chart and directed to report to their assigned seat.
    - Students will follow along the sidewalk to the southwest gate that opens to the paved loop.
    - Graduates entering the gate must get a mask if not already wearing one and use the hand sanitizing stations before entering the graduation floor.
    - Graduates will be instructed to report directly to their assigned seat on the floor of the arena.

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### **Arena Floor/Ceremony**

- Stage will be placed along the western fence to maximize the space on the floor.
- Graduate chairs will be arranged 7 feet apart, leaving a 9' wide aisle on the north side of the arena and a 9' aisle on the south side of the arena.
- Announcement Cards with Graduate's info will be taped to each assigned chair and arrange alphabetically
- All graduates and OHS staff will wear masks throughout the entire ceremony, except while on stage.
- Staff members will dismiss rows of students to the right to the north 9' aisle that will be marked with tool/ribbon every 6 feet to indicate placement of the graduates as they are waiting to be announced on stage.
  - No more than one row of 15 will be in the separated line at one time
  - Staff members will monitor and enforce social distancing during the waiting line.
- Upon entering the stage ramp, students will use the hand sanitizing station at the end of the ramp.
- Once second in line, the graduate will remove the mask and hold in his/her right hand.
- Once first in line, graduate will hand their announcement card over the railing to the Senior Class Guidance Counselor positioned at the back right of the stage. Counselor will be wearing gloves.
- Once the graduate hands the card off, he/she will remove the mask and walk the rest of the way up the ramp and across the stage.
- The graduate will use the left hand to grab the opposite end of the diploma cover from Mr. Kenworthy and pose for a picture.
- The graduate will cross the stage and exit to the left where he/she will pose again for another picture.
- There the graduate will use the hand sanitizing station again.
- The graduate will replace the mask and make his way down the south aisle back to the assigned seat.

### **Dismissal/Exit Plan:**

- Graduates will remain at his/her assigned seat.
- OHS Staff Member/OCSB employee will lead one row of students to the southwest corner exit.
- Another staff member will ask students to show right arms and directing students either to the right to follow the path to the north bleachers or to the left for the parking lot.
- All graduates with orange armbands will turn right and continue within the interior gate and head to the north west set of stairs to the north set of bleachers
  - Bleachers will be marked with painters tape every 7 feet, and using every other row.
  - Students will be instructed to move all the way down the down and to sit on the tape
  - Parents picking up their graduate will enter the grounds from the HWY 70 gate and following the road to the second entrance of the loop, enter the loop, then exit to the right and return to HWY 70 to leave the property.
  - Upon entering the loop, an OCSB staff member will have the arena mic and will be announcing the names of the graduate whose ride is here.
  - Graduates will exit the stands and proceed to the loop to the awaiting car
- All students who parked will be exiting the arena using the southwest gate.
  - During the ceremony a narrow path of just 2-3' will be roped off using police tape to create a chute leading back to the parking lot (this will prevent gathering)
  - SROs/SO will be placed along the chute and in the parking area forcing students directly to their vehicles and instructing them to leave the premise.
  - Students will leave the parking area and travel along the road that leads them back to the 710 gate.
- Radios will be used to communicate when one row has exited the arena and another on the graduation floor may stand and be led to the exits.
- Exit plan is hinged on personnel enforcing "no gathering" and prompt exit from the grounds.