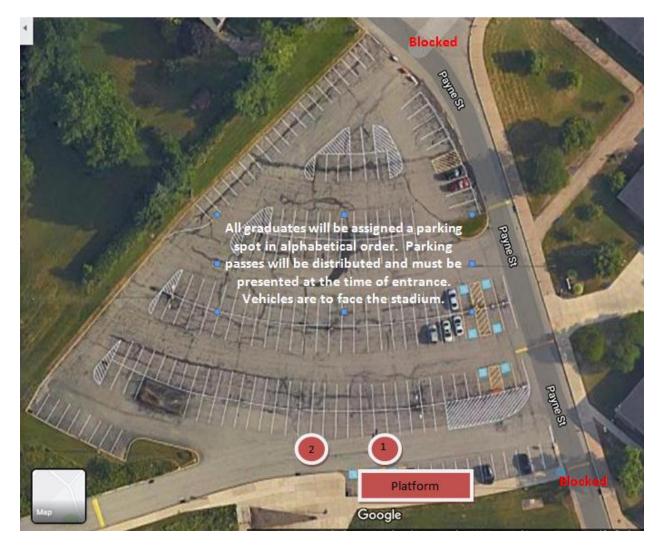
# East Allegheny School District Non-Traditional Graduation Plan for June 3, 2020

The 2019-2020 graduation ceremony will be a non-traditional ceremony held in the JSHS parking lot on June 3, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. All graduates and parents/guardians will remain in their vehicles for the duration of the ceremony. Students will be permitted to walk up to the platform to receive their diplomas.

The picture below is an aerial view of the East Allegheny Junior/Senior High School parking lot. The following directions are based off of this picture.



#### **Directions for the Graduation Ceremony:**

- Each graduate will be assigned a number according to the alphabet.
- Graduates will be mailed a card that states their name and parking spot number. Cards must be presented when entering the parking lot. No car will be permitted without a card.
- In order to avoid a back-up of traffic on Rt. 48, all traffic must enter the JSHS from Payne St.
- Only one vehicle per graduate will be permitted in the JSHS parking lot. Oversized vehicles such as utility vans, RV's, etc. will not be permitted in the parking lot. Graduates are to park according to their assigned parking spot number. East Allegheny staff members will direct vehicles to their assigned parking spots. All vehicles are to park facing the stadium. It is requested that all vehicles turn off their engines at the start of the ceremony for better sound quality.

- Graduates must arrive by 6:00 p.m. Payne St. will be blocked at both ends at 6:15 p.m. and no one will be permitted to enter once the road has been blocked off. ARRIVE ON TIME OR YOU WILL NOT BE PERMITTED IN THE PARKING LOT!
- There will not be a processional.
- For the duration of the ceremony, all attendees must remain in their vehicles.
- When directed, student speakers will walk up to the platform to recite speeches.
- All graduates are required to wear masks unless speaking. Masks will be provided.
- The microphone will be disinfected after each speech and no one will be permitted to touch the microphone.
- When directed, graduates will be asked to stand on the **passenger side** of their vehicles. Graduates will be called up to marker #1 in alphabetical order to receive their diploma cover. Diploma covers will not be handed to the graduates. Graduates will take a diploma cover from the table on the platform. Once the graduates receive their diploma covers, they are to walk from marker #1 to marker #2 to get their picture taken. Once their pictures have been taken, graduates are to return to their vehicles and remain inside their vehicles.
- At the conclusion of the ceremony, graduates will be asked to stand on the **passenger side** of their vehicles for the switching of the tassels.
- All attendees will leave immediately following the ceremony.
- There will be a recessional parade following the conclusion of the graduation ceremony. Emergency vehicles will lead all attendees out of the JSHS parking lot to follow the parade route. East Allegheny teachers and support personnel will line Luehm Avenue along the parade route to provide a send off to our graduates. All traffic must exit using the parade route. Emergency vehicles will be blocking off all other exits. Please plan accordingly!

### **Diploma Retrieval**

When directed, graduates will stand on the **passenger side** of their vehicles. Graduates will already be in alphabetical order according to their assigned numbers. When the graduates' names are announced, the graduates will approach marker #1, one at a time, to receive their diploma covers. Diplomas covers will be set out on a table, and each graduate will take one and continue on to marker #2 where Mrs. Henigan will take their picture. Graduates will return to their vehicles and remain inside their vehicles until the switching of the tassels. *Please note that individual diplomas will be mailed home. Graduates will not enter the building to retrieve their individual diplomas.* 



Graduates will go to marker #1 to retrieve their diploma covers

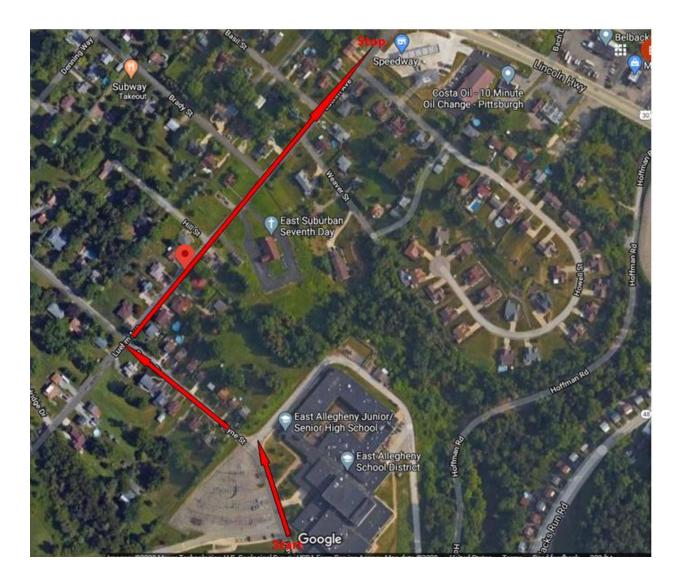
Graduates will go to marker #2 to get their picture taken

#### Live Streaming

The graduation ceremony will be live streamed on YouTube so that this special event can be viewed by those who are unable to attend. To access the live streaming of this year's graduation ceremony, please visit <u>https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCnjIWk6VQwb-cYKpHaFf0rQ</u> and click on "2020 Graduation" (works best with Google Chrome or Firefox web browsers.

## **Graduation Recessional Parade Route**

Following the graduation ceremony, fire trucks and other emergency vehicles will lead the graduate vehicles out of the East Allegheny JSHS parking lot. Starting with vehicle #1, the fire trucks will lead the vehicles by making a left on Payne Street. All vehicles will turn right onto Luehm Avenue. Teachers who are not participating in the ceremony will be standing along Luehm Avenue and will cheer the students on during the graduation recessional parade.



#### During the graduation recessional parade, please be aware of the following:

- All vehicles will exit the top parking lot by making a left onto Payne St. All traffic will turn right onto Luehm.
- All vehicles must turn on their four way hazard lights when leaving the JSHS parking lot.
- Cars are not permitted to stop along the parade route. This will ensure the completion of the parade in a timely manner.