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Sachem Central School District

Hiawatha Elementary School

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Dear Fifth Grade Parents/Guardians,

I would like to thank you for your support during these challenging times. As you might have seen in recent *updated* communication coming from Mrs. Hynes' office, the district has decided to enhance the format of the "parade style" Moving Up ceremony for all Sachem 5th grade students. To reiterate:

- A "Moving Up" ceremony video will be shared through your child's Google Classroom at 7pm on Sunday, June 21st. The video will have applicable speeches, award accolades and other various montages of a traditional ceremony.
- On Monday June 22nd, we will be hosting a "drive-through" ceremony at Hiawatha whereby students will be handed their certificates and awards, as appropriate. Please review the ****updated**** procedures we must adhere to below:
 - Students and family members will pull through our bus loop and stop at multiple stations. School personnel will be located at these stations to help direct you.
 - Students will have the opportunity to exit the car at the first station for a photo opportunity. Families are asked to remain in the car as you will be close enough to take a photo at this time. Students will have the option of removing their mask for photos and then be asked to put it back on as they proceed to the podium.
 - At the podium, they will receive their certificates/awards. Families will have an opportunity to take another photo at this time.
 - Once your son/daughter has received their certificate, they will reenter their car and families will pull up to the last station where students will receive their 5th grade gifts.
 - After your family has completed the third station, kindly make your way out of the parking lot to allow the other 5th grade families to come through.
- Our 5th Grade Moving Up ceremony will start at 5:30 pm. Please follow the **updated** schedule below:
 - Sigillo – 5:30pm
 - Maloney – 6:15pm
 - James – 7:00pm

We encourage all families to decorate their cars and show their Hiawatha Husky pride! We thank you in advance for your flexibility and understanding and look forward to honoring our 5th graders on their special day.

Sincerely,

Andrew Larson

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