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Dear Class of 2023 students and families,

We are excited to share information about the Skowhegan Area High School Class of 2023 Commencement Ceremony. We will be holding our ceremony on Sunday, June 4 at 1:00 pm. We are planning to hold this year's ceremony outside on the football field which is located behind the high school. If the weather will not allow for an outdoor event, we will hold the ceremony in the high school gymnasium; the ceremony will be live streamed to our auditorium.

We ask that you follow the guidelines below to make this day a positive experience for all students and families.

- Our intent is to hold graduation on the football field; however, this is weather dependent. A final decision regarding graduation will be made on Saturday, June 3 at 1:00 pm. We will message graduates and their families by text and email alert as to whether commencement will be on the football field or gymnasium/auditorium.
- Each graduate will receive **(9) tickets**. All 9 tickets will be accepted at the entry gates if we are outside. If we must move inside due to inclement weather, the **(7 orange)** tickets will allow entry to the gym and **(2 yellow)** tickets will allow entry to the auditorium.
- On the football field, we will mark out 10' by 10' squares which will become your family's space.
- To be fair to all families, we will work with our class officers and class advisor to randomly select family spaces. Prior to graduation, we will share family space locations and other important information. We will have ushers on site to assist families in locating their family space.
- Families will need to bring their own chairs and/or blankets as seating for their family space.
- Please no umbrellas or balloons in the family space, as these items may block the view of others.
- Please no dogs or other animals, as they are not allowed on the athletic fields and surrounding areas.
- Our graduates will be seated in the home bleachers facing the field.
- Handicapped parking and viewing areas will be available on the field level. **Please contact the school to reserve a handicap parking space.** Your name will be placed on a list for graduation day.
- Individuals may move outside of their family space to take pictures. Please be mindful and respectful of others and their viewing and return to your family space quickly after you have taken your photo.
- Portable restroom facilities will be available on the football field.
- Families will need to bring their own water. We will have trash cans and recycling receptacles available throughout the space and ask that families assist in picking up their family space at the conclusion of the ceremony.

We thank you in advance for your cooperation and flexibility regarding the Class of 2023 Commencement. Should you have any questions, please reach out to a member of the SAHS administrative team and please be on the lookout for further information/communication regarding graduation.

Sincerely,

The SAHS Administrative Team