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Olivia Atkins



Benjamin Bailey



Kayla Butler



Logan Butler



Carolyn Chambers



Breda Clough



Kayla Compton



Julian Cordero



Skylar Culbertson



Daniel Dalle Lucca



Kirsten Dalle Lucca



Brandon Dodson



Hannah Dowd



Nura Dzanko



Hannah East



Allison Fertig



Benjamin Giles



Edgar Gonzalez-Flores



MacKenzie Haunold



Sophia Hernandez



Kaylee Hitt



Randy Hitt



LeighAnn Hoddo



Evan Hylton



Courtney Jenkins



Richard Jenkins



Roy Jenkins



Ninon Kirchman



Walter Lillard



Saralynn Mayfield



Abigheal McClary



Cheyenne McCracken



Madison McDonald



Anna Milam



Sydney Murphy



Erin Norris



Rouven Oser



Ashley Peeling



Lauren Petty



Carly Pullen-Stringfellow



Chessie Pyle



Mariah Richardson



Galen Sanborn



Heather Smith



Christy Smoot



Hanna Stammermann



William Taplin



Maggie Taylor



Michael Thomas



Alivia Tuel



Sebastian VonSteinner Porter



Natalie Way



Jeyda Weber



Nicholas Whittaker



Henry Wood



Logan Woodward



Phillip Wyatt



Donovan Zook

Class of 2020

Recent Happenings

Cap & Gown Pick-up

The Class of 2020 participated in a drive-thru event to pick up their pre-ordered caps and gowns from Jostens on May 4th. Despite the social distancing precautions, it was quite a jovial event to honor our graduating seniors. The administration decorated the bus lane honoring the students and passed out ice cream courtesy of Brusters Ice Cream & Nathan's Famous Hotdogs in Culpeper as well as a code to donate \$50 to Give Local Piedmont courtesy of the PATH Foundation. Each student was also given a decorative yard sign to post at their homes as a symbol of their great achievement. There were lots of smiles and waves exchanged between the seniors and administration.



Lights for Our Seniors

RCPS recently participated in a week-long event, along with other schools in the Bull Run District, designed to show our support for the Class of 2020 by turning on the stadium and field lights at 8:20 pm (20:20 military time) for exactly twenty minutes each evening during the week of April 27th. RCPS Athletic Director, Courtney Atkins, spearheaded the countywide recognition and encouraged community members to participate by turning on their own porch lights for the seniors. On April 27th, a video message was filmed explaining the significance of the lights.

"Seniors, we stand here tonight in honor of you," said Principal, Jimmy Swindler, during the video announcement. *"The lights are shining bright for you. And as you move into that next chapter of your life, we look forward to seeing the bright lights that you will shine as you find success and adventure."*



Pictured (left to right)- Ms. Sanborn, Ms. Atkins, Ms. Swindler, and Mr. Swindler filmed a special video message under the stadium lights. Thank you to Ms. Swindler for providing sign language interpretation.

Ongoing & Upcoming



Class of 2020 Card Drive

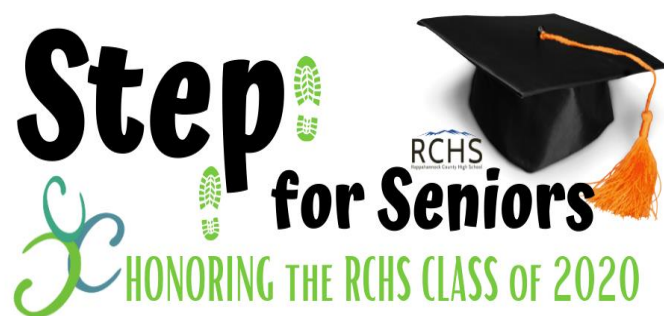
Throughout the month of May, we are asking the Rappahannock community to send cards to the CLASS of 2020 to let them know that you are thinking of them. If you would like to participate, please write out a handwritten message and place the card in an envelope. If the card is to be sent to a specific student, please write the student's name on the envelope. If it is a card that could be mailed to any of our seniors, please leave the envelope blank. Simply drop off the card (in its envelope) at RCHS during office hours (Monday thru Friday 10am-3pm). We will address the cards and mail them directly to the senior's home.

Thank you for helping us show love and support to our graduating class during this time.

Step for Seniors

Starting **Monday, May 11th**, Commit to Be Fit, along with RCHS, have invited the entire Rappahannock community to walk each day in honor of our RCHS Class of 2020. Whether it's a ¼ mile or 3 miles, every step counts! Feel free to create teams or participate on your own if you like. At the end of the week, log onto www.rappc2bf.com/steps to record your miles/steps from the week. Participants will have the opportunity to specify the names of the seniors they were walking for that week. For everyone student named, C2BF will send them a personalized card on behalf of the challenge participants.

On **Friday, May 29th**, the originally scheduled date of graduation, we will hold a community-wide walking event to show our support. Everyone will be walking on their own (social distancing), but we will be collecting photos of our participants to create a collage honoring our seniors. More details will be released shortly.



Scholarship and Athletic Award Ceremony

We will be holding a non-traditional, drive-thru Scholarship and Athletic Award Ceremony on **Thursday, May 21st** at 2 pm.

To maintain social distancing, students will drive around the RCHS bus loop to receive their awards, which will be presented to them at the curbside. Just like the cap and gown pick-up, this will be a festive event.

Spotlight on Senior Athletes

During the month of April, the athletic department ran a series of spotlights on our seniors who were unable to play their final season in spring sports. Special thanks to Athletic Director, Courtney Atkins, and RCHS student, Camron Wayland, for creating the spotlights.

OLIVIA ATKINS

SPORT: SOFTBALL
YEAR(S): 4

MEMORABLE MOMENT(S):
Going to states, her dad jumping off of a bucket and pulling a muscle after a big win, and the team's group chat.

PLANS AFTER HS:
Attend Shenandoah Univ. to major in nursing

INFLUENTIAL PERSON:
My parents have been influential during my career because they always pushed me to do my best and gave me confidence in anything I wanted to do.

RAPP ATHLETICS SENIOR SPOTLIGHT



KAYLA COMPTON

SPORT: SOCCER
YEAR(S): 4

MEMORABLE MOMENT(S):
Going to states, and many games of "coming around the mountain" over the years.

PLANS AFTER HS:
Attend a university to major in pediatric oncology.

INFLUENTIAL PERSON:
Fans from past years and this year that continuously support the team, as well as Coach Hogan, for always being there for her and believing in her.

RAPP ATHLETICS SENIOR SPOTLIGHT



HANNAH EAST

SPORT: SOCCER
YEAR(S): 2

MEMORABLE MOMENT(S):
Going to the state tournament, and getting to meet "Rick Johnson".

PLANS AFTER HS:
Attend Eastern Mennonite Univ. and play volleyball.

INFLUENTIAL PERSON:
My parents for always pushing me to do my best and always believing in me.

RAPP ATHLETICS SENIOR SPOTLIGHT



MACKENZIE HAUNOLD

SPORT: SOCCER
YEAR(S): 4

MEMORABLE MOMENT(S):
Being able to support the team during states, as injury stopped the ability to play.

PLANS AFTER HS:
Study photography and film.

INFLUENTIAL PERSON:
The Women's National Soccer Team, who inspired me to play, and have taught me so much about soccer. My friends have been there for me and pushed me to be the best version of myself.

RAPP ATHLETICS SENIOR SPOTLIGHT




RICHARD LILLARD

SPORT: BASEBALL, TRACK & FIELD
YEAR(S): Baseball: 3, Track & Field 1

MEMORABLE MOMENT(S):
The music filled bus rides, and the talks with Coach Atkins.

PLANS AFTER HS:
Attend Community College.

INFLUENTIAL PERSON:
All of my coaches and family members.

RAPP ATHLETICS SENIOR SPOTLIGHT



ABI McCLARY

SPORT: SOFTBALL
YEAR(S): 4

MEMORABLE MOMENT(S):
Going to states, and Coach Atkins pulling his hamstring by jumping off of a bucket in excitement.

PLANS AFTER HS:
Attend Lord Fairfax Community College to enroll in their paramedic program.

INFLUENTIAL PERSON:
My dad and sister have been influential to me, as they always pushed me to work my hardest.

RAPP ATHLETICS SENIOR SPOTLIGHT



MADISON McDONALD

SPORT: TRACK AND FIELD
YEAR(S): 4

MEMORABLE MOMENT(S):
Bonding with my teammates over the tough workouts, going to meets and supporting each other, and getting food after meets.

PLANS AFTER HS:
Attend George Mason and get a degree in forensic science.

INFLUENTIAL PERSON:
Coach Stephens and Coach Whorton have been influential. They worked with me everyday to help me succeed and pushed me to do my best and go above and beyond.

RAPP ATHLETICS SENIOR SPOTLIGHT



HENRY WOOD

SPORT: BASEBALL
YEAR(S): 4

MEMORABLE MOMENT(S):
Beating George Mason 1-0, the team's first BRD win in eight years.

PLANS AFTER HS:
Attend Auburn Univ. for a degree in architecture.

INFLUENTIAL PERSON:
My family, friends, and the legend (Coach) Mike Atkins.

RAPP ATHLETICS SENIOR SPOTLIGHT



Spotlight on Senior Athletes (continued)

**ALIVIA
TUEL**

SPORT: SOCCER
YEAR(S): 2

MEMORABLE MOMENT(S):
Beating an undefeated team to qualify for states, and the time spent as a team before games.

PLANS AFTER HS:
Attend Liberty University to major in education.

INFLUENTIAL PERSON:
My teammates. They made playing soccer worthwhile.

**RAPP ATHLETICS
SENIOR SPOTLIGHT**



**LOGAN
WOODWARD**

SPORT: SOCCER
YEAR(S): 2

MEMORABLE MOMENT(S):
Going to states with my girls, and the fun dance parties before games.

PLANS AFTER HS:
Attend Northern Virginia Community College to become a veterinarian technician.

INFLUENTIAL PERSON:
My family, friends, and coaches have always pushed me to do my best in whatever I do and to always have fun.

**RAPP ATHLETICS
SENIOR SPOTLIGHT**



**DONAVAN
ZOOK**

SPORT: TRACK & FIELD
YEAR(S): 2

MEMORABLE MOMENT(S):
The bus rides to meets, getting my best shot put score at the end of last season, and continually getting better, while spending time with friends and coaches.

PLANS AFTER HS:
Attend Liberty University to study life sciences.

INFLUENTIAL PERSON:
Coach Stephens has been inspirational because not only did he care and want to see me improve but also taught me to get better at the sport.

**RAPP ATHLETICS
SENIOR SPOTLIGHT**



**PHILLIP
WYATT**

SPORT: BASEBALL/SOCCER
YEAR(S): Baseball: 1, Soccer: 3

MEMORABLE MOMENT(S):
Richard's music during practices.

PLANS AFTER HS:
Attend Virginia Tech, then Vet school.

INFLUENTIAL PERSON:
Coach Atkins, Coach Hummill, Alan Jackson, and my parents.

**RAPP ATHLETICS
SENIOR SPOTLIGHT**



**ROSIE
OCHOA**

SPORT: SOCCER
YEAR(S): 3

MEMORABLE MOMENT(S):
Going to states, and eating cheese fries with my girls.

PLANS AFTER HS:
Joining the Navy.

INFLUENTIAL PERSON:
"Grandpa" (Coach) Hogan and my teammates.

**RAPP ATHLETICS
SENIOR SPOTLIGHT**



**DANIEL
DALLE LUCCA**

SPORT: TRACK
YEAR(S): 4

MEMORABLE MOMENT(S):
Bus rides to and from meets, because we would have a lot of fun jamming together with a Cinderella-themed speaker.

PLANS AFTER HS:
Attend the University of Virginia to major in biology.

INFLUENTIAL PERSON:
Coach Stephens has been influential in my career, not only showing me how to perform well, but also encouraging me to go out of my comfort zone and try new events.

**RAPP ATHLETICS
SENIOR SPOTLIGHT**



More Senior Spotlights Coming Soon!

We will be starting a new social media campaign featuring the Class of 2020 shortly. Check out our Facebook and Instagram accounts to see each of the RCHS seniors.

2020 RCHS GRADUATION PLANS

After surveying the Class of 2020 and families, the majority have opted for a more traditional ceremony (rather than virtual or drive-thru options) to be held on **Friday, July 10th or Saturday, July 11th**. While we anticipate social distancing guidelines to be a factor, we don't quite know to what extent this will be in July. Therefore, RCPS has devised three possible scenarios. As we get closer to July, we will have a better understanding of how to safely hold graduation in a manner that is as close to the traditional ceremony as possible, as requested by our graduates and families.

Scenario 1

Format: Traditional Graduation Ceremony with unlimited attendance and no social distancing requirements

Date/Time: Friday evening, July 10 @ 7PM.

Location: RCHS Gym

Please note- This scenario is only possible if all social distancing guidelines have been removed.

Scenario 2

Format: Traditional Graduation Ceremony with *limited* attendance (number of guests per senior TBD)
This includes predesignated seating in gym for graduates AND their guests to allow for social distancing.

Date/Time: Friday evening, July 10 @ 7PM

Location: RCHS Gym OR Panther Stadium

Possible details- To adhere to social distancing guidelines, graduates and guests will be escorted from their cars to the ceremony in order to ensure everyone is at a safe distance. At the end of the ceremony, graduates and guests will be escorted back to their vehicles. Also, masks may be required at all times unless speaking into a microphone.

Scenario 3

Format: Traditional Graduation ceremony with one graduate and family at a time
Graduate and family will be escorted to the gym for diploma presentation and picture and then escorted to vehicle before the next graduate and family is escorted in.

Date/Time: Saturday July 11, beginning at 8 AM and running throughout the day. Graduates and families will be given a specific appointment time. If needed, this option may be split between Friday, July 10th and Saturday, July 11th.

Location: RCHS Gym or Panther Stadium

Possible details- Masks may be required at all times unless speaking into a microphone.

While we don't have all of the specifics at this time, what we can promise is that we will do everything in our power to honor and recognize these outstanding students during this monumental occasion, while still adhering to social distancing guidelines to ensure everyone's safety and wellbeing. The Class of 2020 may not have the same traditional graduation that has been held throughout the years, but their graduation is just as special and deserving as all those that have come before. We promise to have a ceremony that will honor their achievements and showcase the enormous pride the entire community has for our RCHS Seniors.

