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Dear Grads and Parent(s)/Guardian(s):

We hope that this communication finds your families well- staying healthy and recognizing the many blessings still present in our lives despite the challenges we face in the midst of this pandemic.

Again, we find ourselves faced with increased restrictions due to COVID. As you would have seen in our previous communications, our hope had been to have a combined Grad Mass and Commencement Ceremony at OLPH Parish on Saturday, June 5th in addition to a virtual grad video. However, we now feel that current restrictions will most likely not be loosened in time for this event. We are sorry to inform you that we have thus decided to cancel this event. However, we will be organizing two photo spaces outside on school grounds to be booked by students and families from June 22 to June 24. Details will be shared early in June when we have a better sense of group numbers permitted and other protocols necessary at that time. We hope that this provides all Graduates with the special opportunity to take their own unique photos at the school.

We appreciate your patience as we have developed plans and had to change them. The staff of ABJ are committed to celebrating our grads as they deserve. Their dedication and commitment during this tumultuous year is impressive!

Here is the updated grad information:

- The orders of caps, gowns, tassels, and diploma inserts and covers have arrived! They can be picked up during the week of May 17-20. Information was posted on the website late last week. If you have not already done so, please sign up for your time slot as follows.
 - Dates for pick-up: May 17, 18, 19, and 20
 - Book on <https://www.schoolinterviews.ca/book/step1?z=hPwjly>, Event Code: qtnra
 - 10-minute slots, 5 people per slot (quick pick up and departure) from 8am - 4pm
- Outdoor Graduation Photo Space bookings at ABJ (based on government restrictions)
 - June 22, 23, 24
 - No photographer provided
 - Booking information and details to be shared early in June
 - Here are some photos that you may want to use as backgrounds for your own pictures (for those of you with some Photoshop expertise): [Grad 2021 Backdrop Photos](#)
- Graduation Ceremonies
 - There will be a **Livestreamed Grad Mass** at 11:00 am on June 25 through OLPH Parish at <https://www.olph.ca/> or on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/olphsherwoodpark/>
 - **Virtual Grad Video** that will premiere on **Friday, June 25 at 1:00pm** on [youtube.com/abjtvhighschool](https://www.youtube.com/abjtvhighschool).
 - Please see here for information regarding grad video submissions and ceremony details: [ABJ Virtual Grad Ceremonies and Video Submissions](#)

Sincerely,

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