



#idecidednh Campaign

Virtual Celebration for Seniors:

We know this year seniors have not received the pomp and circumstance they deserve. Instead of cap, gown and graduation seniors are getting COVID-19 warnings, masks and social distancing. And although Coronavirus has perhaps taken away that literal right-of-passage for students to walk across the graduation stage, it has NOT taken away the ability for us to CELEBRATE seniors..., however, this year we are just doing it a little differently.

As many colleges have changed their decision date from May 1st to June 1st we are taking our celebration from one day to the whole month of May! Also here are some VIRTUAL ways for students to celebrate all they've done and where they are going:

Decorate a Door

Encourage students and families to decorate bedroom, front or garage doors with their future plans (for instance, promoting new colleges colors, pennant, balloons, signs, etc..)

Plant a Lawn Sign

This is a fun and inexpensive way to celebrate student plans (picture example below). The signs could have the student's name along with their future plans. Talk with local vendors and provide your students with a list of vendors to work with!

Host a Parade

Students decorate their car with their attending college, military branch, etc. and drive a specific route where businesses, families, teachers, and counselors could come out (at least 6 feet apart) and cheer the students as they drive by. Include music! Ask your fire and police officials to participate as well.

Alternatively:

The parade could also be done in the high school parking lot where students decorate their car or do it Trunk-or-Treat style, (park and open the trunk which would be decorated) and then teachers, families can drive through the parking lot and see where they are off to in the fall.

Share a Photo

This will probably be the one of the biggest way students will celebrate where they are heading next year and can get really creative by posting picture to social media (check out our photo contest below #idecidednh). Invite them to [use props!](#) These were a few different ideas for photos:

Photo Frames

This can be [created and purchased online](#) or made at home. Students can take a large frame and decorate it with their future plans. It could have their new college name, colors, or the seal that represents the branch of the military they are enlisting in or even the logo of the place they are going to work. Students can even make it a more graduation theme or have half with high school colors/mascot, etc. and other half with their future colors/mascot etc.



More Photos Ideas

Using the idea from "1st day of school pics" but instead of school it would be "1st day of my future as..." OR "a look back" and use the school pictures taken each year of high school to show how much the student has changed and grown.

College Gear

Student take a picture with college gear (sweatshirt, hat, t-shirt, holding a pennant etc.) and post it on social media. Or students could take a picture/video with high school stuff on then put on new college gear over it.

Post a Video

Students can create short videos to share with their future plans (many of the videos can incorporate the same photo ideas above).

Prepare a Slide show

There are some easy and creative tools to make a slide show to highlight seniors. This could be done on a small scale of a few students or a larger scale with an entire senior class. [Here is a link to a sample video.](#)

Join the Statewide Event on Social Media!

#idecidednh Contest

Class of 2020, it's your turn! Tell us about your future plans!

Between May 4th and Friday, June 12th, we ask New Hampshire high school seniors to:

- Snap a picture or record a short video (30 seconds or less) that highlights what your future plans are.
- Use #idecidednh in your photo or video
- Tag @NHHEAF on Facebook, Instagram or Twitter

All entries must be received by **5:00 p.m. Friday, June 12th**. Winners will be chosen by a panel of judges and selected based on the creativity of their submission, the use of the hashtag #idecidednh, and the showing of New Hampshire pride! What do winners win?

- **10** participating students will receive a **\$25 Amazon gift card**
- **1** participating student will receive a **\$250 Amazon gift card**

