

The Department of Education recently revised their graduation FAQ linked [here](#) and posted in full below. Please refer to this update for any questions regarding graduation ceremonies during the coming weeks.

### **Should schools hold high school graduation ceremonies and traditional end of school year activities?**

The safety and security of all students and school communities are a priority for the commonwealth. Therefore, in accordance with [Governor Wolf's Process to Reopen Pennsylvania](#):

- Schools located in counties or regions that are in the red phase may only hold virtual events for graduation and other traditional end of school year ceremonies. Large gatherings are prohibited and travel should be limited to life-sustaining purposes.
- Schools located in counties or regions in the yellow phase are limited to gatherings of no more than 25 people and must follow Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and Department of Health guidance for social distancing.
- Schools located in counties or regions in the green phase may conduct unrestricted in-person activities as long as they follow CDC and Department of Health guidelines.

In all instances, schools must work to prevent or mitigate the spread of COVID-19 and to ensure the safety of the communities in which they reside or serve. Schools should employ remote or virtual methods whenever and wherever possible and strive to minimize opportunities for personal interaction because such interactions provide greater opportunities for the transmission of COVID-19.