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ABBY KELLEY FOSTER CHARTER HIGH SCHOOL TO HOLD VIRTUAL COMMENCEMENT FOR CLASS OF 2020

Seniors will still receive a shared experience to honor their achievements despite COVID-19 leveraging Herff Jones' exclusive, industry-leading virtual platform

Worcester, MA (May 5, 2020) – Abby Kelley Foster Charter High School is pleased to announce it has partnered with Herff Jones – in collaboration with graduation technology partners StageClip and MarchingOrder – to host a virtual commencement for the senior Class of 2020. The event will be held on June 10, 2020 at 6pm.

In light of current challenges surrounding the COVID-19 global health crisis, resulting in closed campuses for the remainder of the school year and no clear indication as to when it would be possible to hold a traditional ceremony, Abby Kelley believes a virtual graduation is the best option at this time.

“We understand nothing can replace an in-person graduation ceremony, and due to local and national mandates, we are unable to do so safely at this time. We will continue to look into the possibility bringing this class together in the future. In the meantime, we still want to celebrate and honor the resilient Class of 2020,” said Chris Kursonis, High School Principal

Herff Jones' proven, easy-to-use platform makes hosting a virtual ceremony simple, taking much of the administrative burden off the shoulders of faculty and staff throughout the entire process. Seniors will soon be contacted by Herff Jones and its partners with direction on how the information will be collected prior to the final celebration. Each graduate will also receive their own personalized content as a gift from the school to share on social media with family and friends using the hashtags #GradAWAYtion and #MoveTheTassel.

For more information, visit herff.ly/virtualgraduation.

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