

Davis Waldorf School

School Survey Congratulations Class of 2020

June 9, 2020



Dear Davis Waldorf School Families,

We are very proud of our eighth grade Class of 2020, who have navigated the challenges that COVID19 has presented in their final year at DWS, with determination and grace. Their teacher, Ms. Donofrio, describes them as fierce and talented. We wish our eighth grade graduates all the best with the next chapter of their education. Here is a recap of their final week at DWS.

Eighth Grade Graduation Solos

The eighth graders have worked hard on their Eighth Grade Solos and we would like to share their performances with you. The experience of being videoed, as opposed to a live presentation, has had many challenges. Thank you to Michelle Byars for recording and Bessie Oakley for editing the video. [Click here](#) to watch.



Closing Day Ceremony:

The Closing Day Ceremony was held this past Friday between the 1st grade and 8th grade via Zoom. The 1st graders wished their 8th grade buddies a fond farewell with plenty of hugs and kisses. And of course, a red rose to complete the tradition started by the 8th graders welcoming the 1st graders with a rose on their first day of school.



Class of 2020 Graduation Ceremony:

The outdoor graduation was held this past Saturday, in the Grove of shade trees on our beautiful campus.

The graduating eighth grade students, their parents and siblings were following physical distancing guidelines, and enjoyed a very special graduation celebrating not just their graduation but their coming back together as a class.

Our strings teacher, Angela Kost, created a virtual musical surprise for the students, a recording of the Purcell Trumpet Tune. The video was edited by Thomas Estes, a Video Production professional. He volunteered over 20 hours of his time. Thank you Thomas! Click on this [link](#) to view and hear.



Below are some graduation photographs taken by Robin Fadtke, DWS parent and professional photographer at Zoart Photography. The ceremony was recorded by Nick Anderson of Bright Coast Productions. We will be providing a link in a future newsletter of the professional recording so that everyone in the community can celebrate and honor our graduates.



Lynn Donofrio, 8th Grade Teacher





Dahlia Haberman, Handwork Teacher, Commencement Address



Samara Brewer-Metcalf



Marin Byars



Helena Gallawa



Chloe Jaffe



Ila Oakley Bremson



Olive Richards



Samantha de Bie, Math Teacher, Awarding Diplomas

The Class of 2020 will be attending the following local schools

Samara Brewer-Metcalf - Da Vinci Junior High School
Marin Byars - Sacramento Waldorf School
Helena Gallowa - Oliver Wendell Holmes Junior High School
Chloe Jaffe - Ralph Waldo Emerson Junior High School
Ila Oakley Bremson - Da Vinci Junior High School
Olive Richards - Sacramento Waldorf School

2019-20 Davis Waldorf School All School COVID-19 Response Survey - Feedback Requested

While this truly unique school year is fresh in your mind, please take

5-10 minutes to complete this survey. It will provide us with vital information and feedback about our programs, including your School Away from School experience. We aim to incorporate this feedback into our planning for next school year. Please complete the 15 question survey by Friday, June 12. Your responses are confidential. Thank you. [Link](#)

Yearbooks

Yearbooks have arrived and are amazing. A huge thank you to Mrs. Haberman for creating them. We are hosting a drive by pick up on Thursday June 11. Please drive through between 9:30am and 2:30pm.



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