

## **EXPECTATION FOR BEHAVIOR OF GUESTS AT GRADUATION**

As you know, our Graduation Ceremony is held at Bentley University and it is conducted in the school's rich tradition of a dignified and orderly celebration. Our goal is to have a memorable celebration where we can celebrate the achievements of all students as a class. We believe that there is ample time for individual celebrations prior to or following the ceremony.

For the most part students and their guests have embraced the school's tradition and have behaved in a very admirable manner and we are asking you for your cooperation in continuing this tradition. We ask all students, parents and guests to abide by the following...

- Please arrive on time and be seated prior to the procession of graduates.
- Do not block the aisles.
- Do not allow young children to wander unattended.
- No beach balls, horns, or other noise makers.
- No applause or cheering until all the names are read.

This last rule is most important to us. We believe that every graduate is the same, regardless of academic rank or achievements, and each deserves the opportunity to have his or her name read and heard by all in attendance.

The long tradition at Arlington Catholic is that all applause and cheering is held until the point in the ceremony where the "Graduated Class of 2019" is presented, thus giving each student the same opportunity to be cheered as a class. This also allows each student's name to be heard when read and doesn't distract the student as they receive their diploma from the Pastor.

We ask you to please share these thoughts with your guests. We look forward to a great graduation ceremony on May 23rd where we can truly celebrate as a school community! Thank you for your anticipated cooperation in this matter.

Regards,

The Senior Recognition Committee