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## Guthrie Public Schools announces change of venue for 2021 GHS Commencement Exercises

Based on the current forecast of possible severe weather and heavy rains next week including Friday, the Guthrie High School graduation ceremonies, originally scheduled for Jelsma Stadium, will now take place at the Lazy E Arena. The arena became available recently due to a cancellation. The scheduled starting time will remain 7:30 p.m. on Friday, May 21<sup>st</sup>.

Graduation practice will be at the arena beginning at 10:00 a.m. on Friday.

The current protocols in place at the Lazy E Arena include a suggestion of masks and attendance will not be restricted.

On Friday evening, the building will be open to the public at 6:00 p.m.

## **Quotes from Guthrie Superintendent Dr. Mike Simpson:**

"We are thankful for the option of an indoor graduation venue to assure we do not have to postpone the ceremonies. The Lazy E Arena staff continue to be incredibly supportive of our community. This is what the class of 2021 deserves to celebrate their accomplishments."

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